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THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

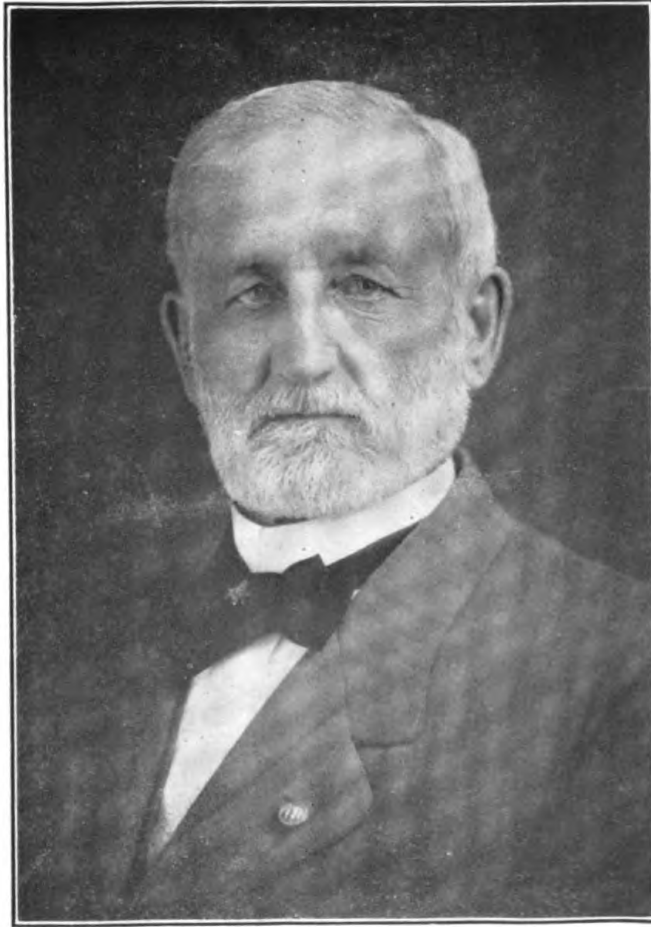
HELD AT

BAY CITY, MICH., JUNE 20, 21, 22, 1916

WITH ADDRESS OF

ELI STRONG, Department Commander
AND REPORTS OF OTHER DEPARTMENT OFFICERS
GENERAL ORDERS, ETC.

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HENRY C. RANKIN
Department Commander
Died July 13, 1915



ELI STRONG

Department Commander
Succeeding Commander H. C. Rankin

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.
LANSING, JUNE 30, 1916.

HON. WOODBRIDGE N. FERRIS, 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 as have taken place in this Department during my administration as its Commander from June 18, 1915, to June 22, 1916, as I deem of interest to that organization and the people of the State of Michigan.

Respectfully yours in F. C. and L.,

ELI STRONG,
Department Commander.

OFFICERS FOR YEAR 1916-17.

- *Department Commander.....L. H. Ives, Post 441, Mason
- *Senior Vice Commander.....M. M. Andrews, Post 419, Bay City
- *Junior Vice Commander.....A. L. Bryant, Post 255, Mayville
- *Medical Director.....Dr. Robert LeBarron, Post 147, Pontiac
- *Department Chaplain.....Rev. Samuel Heininger, Post 45, Adrian

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

- *George Raab.....Post 145, Flint
- *H. A. Chapin.....Post 31, Paw Paw
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- E. K. Starkweather.....Post 384, Detroit

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- *Assistant Q. M. General.....Frank Lester, Post 441, Mason
- *Judge Advocate.....Levi S. Warren, Post 210, Albion
- *Chief Mustering Officer.....A. D. Welling, Post 48, Jackson
- *Dept. Patriotic Instructor.....George Keating, Post 67, Bay City
- *Department Inspector.....N. Church, Post 181, Ithaca
- *Chief of Staff.....E. L. Negus, Post 41, Chelsea
- *Senior Aide de Camp.....J. G. Snook, Post 42, Lansing
- *Sergeant Department Colors.....John Davidson, Post 42, Lansing
- *Sergeant National Colors.....George J. Dart, Post 402, Akron
- Chief Bugler.....A. H. Boice, Post 110, Hudson

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE C. OF A.

- George Raab.....Post 145, Flint
- William O. Lee.....Post 98, Port Huron
- E. K. Starkweather.....Post 384, Northville

COMMITTEE TO VISIT SOLDIERS' HOME.

- *W. G. Miner, Post 132, Portland
- *Dr. A. W. Cooper, Post 114, Fowlerville
- *Henry A. Diamond, Post 395, Grand Rapids
- *H. J. Breningstall, Post 281, Petersburg
- *H. W. Stevens, Post 140, Tecumseh.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

- *Edward Cahill, Post 42, Lansing
- John McVicar, Post 384, Detroit
- *Charles E. Belknap, Post 5, Grand Rapids
- B. F. Graves, Post 45, Adrian
- *Seymour Foster, Post 42, Lansing.

COMMITTEE ON MILITARY MUSEUM TO ACT WITH BOARD OF STATE AUDITORS.

- C. W. Bennett, Post 109, Coldwater
- *Lewis Coble, Post 114, Fowlerville
- *H. C. Everetts, Post 205, Owosso
- *U. H. Lazelle, Post 42, Lansing
- *R. C. Blair, Post 382, Lake Odessa.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

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HELD AT BAY CITY, MICH., JUNE 20, 21, 22, 1916.

INFORMAL OPENING.

Meeting called to order at 2 o'clock p. m., June 20, 1916, in the Armory.

Department Commander Eli Strong: Come to order, now, Comrades and friends. We have assembled here at this time to listen to an address from the Mayor of Bay City, who is not present for some reason or other, and we have a substitute in the person of Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert, who will now speak to you. (Applause.)

Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert, of Bay City: Our Mayor is otherwise engaged this afternoon. He assumed that he was to address another gathering, and this invitation to come here came on him rather unexpectedly, as he thought all that he would have to do was to make one address of welcome and that was to be at the camp fire tomorrow night in this Armory.

In behalf of the Mayor and in behalf of the good people of this beautiful city of the Bay, I most heartily welcome you, one and all, to this our city for your thirty-eighth annual encampment, believing that we are in a position to entertain you most excellently, and we hope that your business will be of such a nature that you will always be proud of your meeting in Bay City in 1916. We extend to you, my good Comrades, a most royal welcome. (Applause.)

RESPONSE BY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER ELI STRONG, OF KALAMAZOO.

I shall address you, Comrade Gilbert, as Mayor because you have filled his position on behalf of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, and I thank you for your kind words and royal welcome. I wish it were the real Mayor, but we have a good substitute. I would rather talk to the Mayor myself.

Mr. Mayor, here are the remnants only of those of the Grand Army of the Republic that carried the flag into victory, in final triumph, from the Ohio to the Gulf and from Washington to Appomattox. You will pardon me in the pride which I take and perhaps show in presid-

ing over this body of men. We are not all originally Michigan men either. They served in different regiments from different States in the common cause of their country, and since that service has terminated they have become residents of this Peninsular State. But, Mr. Mayor's representative, I assure you this is no ordinary body of men. Before you here today you see men who were with Grant at Shiloh and Vicksburg and Chattanooga; who were with Rosencrans at Stone River and Chickamauga. Men who were with Thomas at Nashville; men who followed that magnificent Sherman in his grand march to the sea; here are men who were with McClellan at Antietam; here are men who suffered the heat at Fredericksburg, at Chancellorsville, at Manassas, and others at Gettysburg, where they rolled back the wild surging waves of treason and rebellion when it was at flood time; here are men again who were with Grant in the Wilderness, at Cold Harbor, at Petersburg and finally at Appomattox. You will see more of these men when they march over the beautiful streets of your city tomorrow.

Now, my friends, this completes this part of the exercises. If all are not entitled to remain as delegates, I wish those who are not entitled to remain will kindly retire from the hall, as we wish, at this time, to open the encampment in its regular order. Please retire from the hall so that we can open this encampment. We wish simply the delegates to remain.

FORMAL OPENING.

Department Commander: This is a regular meeting of the thirty-eighth annual encampment of the Michigan Department of the Grand Army of the Republic. Officer of the Day, are you sure that all are entitled to remain?

Officer of the Day: I am.

Department Commander: Comrades, once more we have assembled for the transaction of such business as may properly come before this encampment. We meet in fraternity, charity and loyalty, and may all our hearts unite as one in sustaining the objects and principles of our order. The Chaplain will invoke the divine blessing.

The Chaplain: All wise God, our Heavenly Father, we acknowledge Thee as ruler of our universe. We have met at this, our annual encampment, as we have met before, to thank Thee for every good and permanent gift. We thank Thee especially for this our grand and glorious country; this our Christian and glorious government which we believe supersedes every other on the face of the earth. We thank Thee that during the dark days of this country, when the life of this nation was apprehended, men left their homes, their loved ones, from every city, town and hamlet, and gave themselves up in the common cause of their country and, if necessary, to suffer and die for this our grand and glorious republic. During all those dark hours it seemed almost impossible to see how it would end. We thank Thee for victory, and that today we are a united people, from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Northern Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico. We thank Thee that at the present time our country is in quiet and in peace, while the nations of Europe have been rent asunder by internal strife and war. We desire a special blessing for our Chief of State. May he

remain to guide the ship of State that we may escape war and possible bloodshed, especially at the present time when it seems that we are to enter into war with a southern republic. We pray Thee that Thou will guide everything, so that in the end the best interests of this our glorious Nation may be preserved, but if we must fight give us courage that we may make the sacrifice in order that we may live in peace and in quiet. We thank Thee that we are permitted to meet again. We realize that age is coming on and that we have lost many who were with us in other days. Bless us all in this evening of our lives. Bless those of our Comrades who have suffered from disease. Bless the widows and orphans and help us to lend a helping hand to those in distress. Guide us during this encampment that that which is to be done shall be for the best interests of our nation and for the welfare of this our grand and glorious order. We ask it humbly in Jesus' name. Amen.

Department Commander: I now declare the thirty-eighth annual encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, opened in due form. The Assistant Adjutant General will call the roll of the encampment.

Thereupon the Adjutant General started to call the roll of the encampment when Comrade Riley L. Jones moved that the roll call be dispensed with, which motion was unanimously carried.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: I have a report that there are 223 registered now.

Department Commander: The rules governing the national encampment are the rules governing this encampment unless there is some objection.

Report of Credential Committee is here inserted as finally adopted:

ROLL OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

Comrades present are marked thus—*

*Department Commander Eli Strong, Post 79, Kalamazoo
*Senior Vice Department Commander Thomas Davey, Post 17, Detroit
*Junior Vice Department Commander Albert Dunham, Post 48, Jackson
Medical Director Robert Le Barron, Post 147, Pontiac
Department Chaplain Rev. Samuel Heininger, Post 45, Adrian

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Chief Mustering Officer Dean LaBanta, Post 48, Jackson
Chief of Staff Frank R. Chase, Post 126, Smyrna
Senior Aide Henry P. Shutt, Post 79, Kalamazoo
Department Inspector L. H. Ives, Post 441, Mason
Patriotic Instructor M. C. Barney, Post 145, Flint
Sergeant National Colors Robert Finch, Post 5, Grand Rapids
Sergeant Department Colors A. L. Bryant, Post 255, Mayville
Chief Bugler Geo. W. Christopher, Post 42, Lansing

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Russell A. Alger, deceased Detroit, 1867
Wm. A. Throop, deceased Detroit, 1868
William Humphrey, deceased Adrian, 1870
C. V. R. Pond, deceased Lansing, 1878-9
A. T. McReynolds, deceased Grand Rapids, 1880
Byron R. Pierce Grand Rapids, 1881-2
*Oscar A. Janes Detroit, 1883
Rush J. Shank, deceased Lansing, 1884
Charles D. Long, deceased Flint, 1885
John Northwood New Lothrop, 1886
L. G. Rutherford, deceased Hart, 1887
*Washington Gardner Albion, 1888
Michael Brown, transferred to Department of Montana Big Rapids, 1889
Henry M. Duffield, deceased Detroit, 1890
Charles L. Eaton, deceased Paw Paw, 1891
*Henry S. Dean Ann Arbor, 1892-3
James H. Kidd, deceased Ionia, 1893-4

Louis Kanitz	Muskegon, 1894-5
S. B. Daboll, deceased	St. Johns, 1895-6
Wm. Shakespeare, deceased	Kalamazoo, 1896-7
Aaron T. Bliss, deceased	Saginaw, 1897-8
Alex. L. Patrick, deceased	Detroit, 1898-9
Russell R. Pealer	Three Rivers, 1899-1900
Ethel M. Allen, deceased	Portland, 1900-1
*James Van Kleeck	Bay City, 1901-2
*Edward G. Anthony	Negaunee, 1902-3
D. B. K. Van Raalte, deceased	Holland, 1903-4
Geo. H. Hopkins, deceased	Detroit, 1904-5
*E. C. Cannon	Evart, 1905-6
Joseph B. Griswold, deceased	Grand Rapids, 1906-7
Wm. Jibb, deceased	Adrian, 1907-8
Chas. E. Foote, deceased, died in office	Kalamazoo, 1908-9
Geo. L. Holmes, deceased, to fill vacancy	Detroit, 1909
*James M. Greenfield	Flushing, 1909-10
*Saml. J. Lawrence	Detroit, 1910-11
Geo. W. Stone	Lansing, 1911-12
*John T. Spillane	Detroit, 1912-13
*Frank R. Chase	Smyrna, 1913-14

PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

H. M. Bigelow	Montague, 1878-9
	No record 1880
	No record 1881
G. R. Wright, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1882-3
M. A. Merrifield, deceased	Union City, 1884
Geo. L. Fisher	Fowlerville, 1885
S. A. Hosmer	1886
W. W. Cook	Lansing, 1887
True Hart	Midland, 1888
Wm. H. Russell	Clio, 1889
*E. L. Negus	Chelsea, 1890
G. L. Brundage, deceased	Muskegon, 1891
Jas. A. Crozier	Menominee, 1892
L. M. Ward, deceased	Benton Harbor, 1893
Herman C. Frieseke	Owosso, 1894
Norm G. Cooper, deceased	Sturgis, 1895
Lucian W. Lyon, deceased	Saginaw, 1896
*L. W. Sprague	Greenville, 1897
Moses F. Carlton	Port Huron, 1898
J. C. Bontecou, deceased	Petoskey, 1900
*Theo. C. Putnam	Grand Rapids, 1901
*M. C. Barney	Flint, 1902
L. D. VanKleek, deceased	Pontiac, 1903
S. A. Aldrich, deceased	Muskegon, 1904
John J. Cornwill, deceased	Battle Creek, 1905
M. D. Morgan	Traverse City, 1906
*Riley L. Jones	Saginaw, 1907
Edward B. Nugent	Bay City, 1908
Jay J. Drake	St. Joseph, 1909
Henry P. Shutt	Kalamazoo, 1910
A. J. Ward	Holland, 1911
H. C. Rankin, deceased	Ypsilanti, 1912
*John A. Wardell	Lansing, 1913

PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

S. B. Kitchel	Coldwater, 1878
W. A. Palmer	Grand Rapids, 1879
	No record, 1880
Dallas Johnson	Montague, 1881
*O. A. Janes	Hillsdale, 1882

J. M. Keller, deceased.....	Saginaw, 1883
M. H. Bumphrey.....	Three Rivers, 1884
*H. F. Higgins.....	Petoskey, 1885
Thos. H. Williams.....	Jackson, 1887
Geo. W. Stone.....	Harrison, 1889
William Jibb, deceased.....	Adrian, 1890
Wm. H. Marston.....	Grand Rapids, 1891
*Thomas M. Wiley.....	Owosso, 1892
*E. O. Anthony.....	Negaunee, 1893
*James M. Greenfield.....	Flushing, 1894
*Oscar Palmer.....	Grayling, 1895
*Jos. O. Bellaire.....	Grand Rapids, 1896
Ren Barker, deceased.....	Reed City, 1897
*D. C. Spears.....	Azalia, 1898
S. H. Mallery.....	Lake Odessa, 1900
*Sam. J. Lawrence.....	Wyandotte, 1901
*M. D. Richardson.....	Lake City, 1903
*Dan J. Willson.....	Jackson, 1905
S. M. Kent.....	Grand Rapids, 1906
*O. Palmer.....	Grayling, 1907
*Henry Spaulding.....	Hartford, 1908
Geo. W. Wheeler, deceased.....	Boon, 1909
*Albert Dunham.....	Jackson, 1910
*Geo. I. Nash.....	Marcellus, 1911
*J. J. Holmes.....	Eaton Rapids, 1912
Chas. A. Coolidge.....	Detroit, 1913

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

Chartered December 9, 1887. Membership 34.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, Chas. E. Redman.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*L. J. Winters.		M. C. Govern.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Roda O'Mara.		Wm. H. Thompson.
Hiram McCreery.		*Jas. B. Firman.
John S. Danks.		

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

Chartered January 22, 1876. Membership 45.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Geo. W. Dey.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Byron Rustine.		Harvey J. Wood.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
A. C. Warner.		Albert Terpening.
O. D. Curtis.		*C. F. Rutter.
L. D. Reynolds.		

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

Chartered May 27, 1877. Membership 16.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Francis Hiscutt.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Frederick Norman.		Joseph Pike.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Frederick Norman.		Francis Hiscutt.
Allen F. Casselman.		Geo. J. Moog.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

PHIL SHERIDAN POST NO. 4, READING.

Chartered June 12, 1878.

Membership 5.

Delegate.

Albert Arnold.

Commander, O. B. Northrup.

Alternate.

John Cahow.

*Past Commanders.*R. D. Lane.
Gabriel See.
Zelandee Culver.J. C. Newfang.
H. H. Weaver.

CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered September 27, 1878.

Membership 102.

*Delegates.**E. J. Horton.
Dayton S. Peck.

Commander, John Basett.

*Alternates.*Thos. Dixon.
A. B. Nichols.*Past Commanders.*Byron R. Pierce.
Wm. D. Frost.
*Chas. P. Coffin.
*Jos. O. Bellaire.
W. B. Bostock.
A. D. Porter.
E. H. Cummings.
Hiram McCreary.
G. B. Schwab.*Theo. C. Putnam.
Jas. R. Stephenson.
*L. O. Read.
Thomas Peacock.
*Robert Finch.
Samuel White.
W. H. Stokes.
E. F. Snyder.
W. H. Herbert.

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

Chartered February 26, 1879.

Membership 69.

Delegate.

Jas. P. Turner.

Commander, C. S. Green.

Alternate.

*McDougal.

*Past Commanders.*Geo. E. Porter.
D. F. Austin.
J. M. Fink.
W. M. Taylor.
C. S. Green.
W. L. Mapes.A. H. English.
O. C. Nash.
N. R. Masters.
L. B. Wolcott.
R. H. Humiston.

PHIL KEARNEY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Chartered July 31, 1879.

Membership 73.

*Delegates.**Henry Hughson.
Leonidas Richeson.

Commander, Chas. Miller.

*Alternates.*M. J. Crahan.
Erastus Downing.*Past Commanders.*William R. Jones.
John Sturgeon.
William F. Wiselogel.
Chas. Miller.
Frank Noble.
Howard C. Bond.
*P. P. Misner.
Louis Kanitz.John W. Eddy.
John G. Allport.
E. P. Watson.
Horace Lovejoy.
B. H. Krebs.
J. R. Bennett.
Washington Bulson.
Wm. F. Morrell.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

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

Chartered September 17, 1889. Membership 13.

Commander, Thos. D. Nelson.
Alternate, Thos. Welsh.
Delegate, James B. Wilbur.
Past Commanders, O. B. Robinson, John Scott, Thos. D. Nelson.

JOHN A. DIX POST NO. 9, HESPERIA.

Chartered September 12, 1879. Membership 18.

Commander, J. D. Gowell.
Alternate,
Delegate,
Past Commanders, Chas. Robbins, Chas. Wilber, A. S. Mulliken, W. I. Bulson, A. L. Cobb, J. Murrow, C. R. Reynolds, H. E. Waterman, Wm. Gilbert, W. R. Mathews, J. D. Gowell, W. H. Potter.

WILLIAM BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Chartered October 16, 1879. Membership 46.

Commander, Horace Pulver.
Alternate, A. T. Hecock.
Delegate, M. V. Fox.
Past Commanders, *D. C. Spears, Geo. W. Hurd, *Horace Pulver, James Knowles, Wm. Lafler, Chas. M. Duston, F. H. Miller, L. B. Smith, M. V. Fox, N. J. Carney, Truman Gee.

ROBERT'S POST NO. 11, BANCROFT.

Chartered March 16, 1880. Membership 11.

Commander, F. Gorton.
Alternate, Wm. H. Blair.
Delegate, Chas. Warner.
Past Commanders, P. Pelton, T. W. Hemenway, C. F. Coles, G. H. Fellows, F. Gorton.

RYDER POST NO. 12, DEERFIELD.

Chartered April 9, 1880. Membership 18.

Commander, E. E. Burnham.
Alternate,
Delegate,
Past Commanders, Byron Stanbery, *N. A. McQuarie, *E. E. Burnham, Morrice Roney, Richard Tappin, N. D. Yale, Thos. Pettie, Wm. Rusling, M. H. Kellogg, S. T. McNair.

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

Chartered May 11, 1880.

Membership 18.

Commander, N. Therry.

Delegate.
John Quick.

Alternate.
C. C. Abbott.

Past Commanders.

Charles E. Judd.	Lorenzo A. Clark.
Fred F. Main.	Jos. N. Bradley.
Benj. F. Whitaker.	Chas. Tanner.
Chas. O. Newkirk.	C. S. Barton.
Geo. O. Richardson.	Geo. W. Dickinson.
Eri D. Babcock.	Horace Eastman.

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

Chartered May 24, 1880.

Membership 93.

Commander, C. Chorpening.

Delegates.
O. Boice.
*C. W. Erwin.

Alternates.
L. M. Martin.
Frederick Zaph.

Past Commanders.

L. Hemingway.	A. H. Rowe.
Chas. A. Warner.	M. J. Vincent.
John Seel.	A. A. Covell.
C. Chorpening.	F. L. Bradford.

PAP WILLIAMS POST NO. 15, LUDINGTON.

Chartered May 26, 1880.

Membership 37.

Commander, S. H. Gleason.

Delegate.
J. S. Harrington.

Alternate.
R. B. Patterson.

Past Commanders.

A. C. Hawley.	R. B. Patterson.
H. B. Smith.	C. G. Wing.
S. H. Gleason.	Wm. H. Kimball.

SEDGWICK POST NO. 16, EVART.

Chartered August 24, 1880.

Membership 25.

*Commander, E. C. Cannon.

Delegate.
Chas. Button.

Alternate.
I. G. Elton.

Past Commanders.

W. A. Lewis.	Frank Bone.
*O. M. Bush.	A. A. Smith.
E. C. Cannon.	J. R. Foster.
S. E. Kirby.	Jos. H. Powell.
S. E. Skutt.	D. E. Waite.
G. W. Gardner.	

FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

Chartered May 9, 1881.

Membership 257.

Commander, Wm. C. Stilwell.

Delegates.
*Chas. A. Bartlett.
L. J. Culver.
*A. S. McWilliams.
*Elisha J. Reese.

Alternates.
Robt. Morris.
*W. H. Hibbard.
*Henry Alfeltes.
*Samuel D. Bailey.
Wm. T. Wiley.

Past Commanders.

E. O. Durfee.	J. Reid.
A. V. Phister.	J. T. Spillane.
C. K. Radcliff.	J. A. Lane.
*T. Davey.	C. J. Pierce.
*D. S. Kimball.	Edward E. Thayer.
*E. F. Lamb.	H. B. White.
D. S. Crotty.	Ed. H. Hill.
*Sam'l B. Dixon.	D. W. Osborn.
*A. L. Sawyer.	H. F. Serrine.
M. Green.	*Thos. F. Payne.
Carl Engle.	Isaac E. Springer.
Theodore Lamy.	Lyman E. Stowe.
F. R. Bruner.	Cornelius O'Dwyer.
Allen H. Cady.	

M'PHERSON POST NO. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.

Chartered May 21, 1881. Membership 71.

Delegate.
W. W. Dean.

Commander, W. W. Dean.

Alternate.
H. J. Curtis.

Past Commanders.

M. D. Morgan.	H. W. Herrington.
F. D. Marvin.	O. P. Carver.
J. W. Hilliker.	Chas. H. Johnson.
Levi Soule.	B. F. Newhouse.
H. J. Curtis.	W. W. Dean.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Chartered May 20, 1881. Membership.

Delegate.
*Henry Delong.

Commander, W. H. Ashley.

Alternate.
Hurlbert Bowen.

Past Commanders.

C. C. Phillips.	J. P. Goss.
J. G. Todd.	*O. A. Reynolds.
Harrison W. Hilliard.	H. W. Ashley.

ELLSWORTH POST NO. 20, HARTFORD.

Chartered June 20, 1881. Membership 34.

Delegate.
Chas. Kleckler.

Commander, John Carter.

Alternate.
Wm. N. Worth.

Past Commanders.

*Henry Spaulding.	John S. Heald.
William Bennett.	W. A. Palmer.
Wm. N. Worth.	John Carter.
Jesse Thomas.	E. C. Rice.
Francis Barclay.	D. M. Sias.

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

Chartered July 18, 1881. Membership 28.

Delegate.
Horatio M. Rowe.

Commander, W. A. Preston.

Alternate.
Aug. Morlock.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

J. J. Drake.	Albert S. Roe.
W. A. Preston.	L. J. Merchant.
John Lane.	Aug. Morlock.

WILLIAM PERROTT POST NO. 22, BUCHANAN.Chartered July 11, 1881. Membership 14.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, F. M. Wade.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Geo. Feight.		O. M. Tabor.

Past Commanders.

O. F. Richmond.	I. N. Bachelor.
Steve Scott.	John Graham.
Samuel Bunker.	H. E. Bradley.
John C. Dick.	J. E. Barmore.
F. M. Wade.	Marion Huff.

EDWIN COLWELL POST NO. 23, BLOOMINGDALE.Chartered August 29, 1881. Membership 14.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, James McDowell.	<i>Alternate.</i>
John Decker.		P. H. Blodgett.

Past Commanders.

James McDowell.	John Decker.
Franklin Cooley.	J. N. Edwards.

COL. FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON.Chartered August 19, 1881. Membership 26.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, Chas. W. Sadden.	<i>Alternate.</i>
A. Andrews.		Edgar Durfee.

Past Commanders.

V. C. Smith.	William Butcher.
E. T. Winters.	Chas. W. Sadden.

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25, OGDEN CENTER.Chartered August 20, 1881. Membership 18.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Geo. W. Wilt.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Wm. C. B. Smith.		L. C. Drake.

Past Commanders.

G. W. Scott.	William Emmons.
C. T. Cheney.	A. S. Beardsley.
Amos Wilt.	W. C. B. Smith.
Geo. W. Wilt.	David Pifer.
G. W. Heckert.	

JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.Chartered August 16, 1881. Membership 32.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, J. W. Montgomery.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Gustavus May.		D. P. Kelly.

Past Commanders.

J. A. Collier.	Geo. F. Dennison.
J. W. Montgomery.	B. F. Archer.
Henry H. Feight.	A. O. Aldrich.
Phineas Carter.	

BURNSIDE POST NO. 27, DECATUR.

Chartered September 19, 1881. Membership 25.

Commander, L. G. Rafter.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Henry High.	Adam Dine.

Past Commanders.

G. W. Lusk.	L. G. Rafter.
W. H. White.	L. D. Roberts.
R. Colbetzor.	

GARFIELD POST NO. 30, COLOMA.

Chartered October 10, 1881. Membership 10.

Commander, L. N. Clark.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
John H. Randall.	Cyrus H. Lewis.

Past Commanders.

W. A. Baker.	L. F. Earl.
L. Clark.	Geo. H. Brown.

BROADHEAD POST NO. 31, PAW PAW.

Chartered October 21, 1881. Membership 41.

Commander, M. C. Wheaton.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
P. V. LePert.	John Wilson.

Past Commanders.

*H. A. Chapin.	John Reed.
O. W. Rowland.	W. R. Serrine.
William Killifer.	I. P. Bates.
*M. C. Wheaton.	T. W. Hulbert.

FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

Chartered November 31, 1881. Membership 96.

Commander, W. E. Dockry.	
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*P. M. Fish.	Geo. Godsmark.
*Jerome Marsh.	Frank Horton.

Past Commanders.

*J. W. Taylor.	*G. M. Hodges.
*J. G. Bohnett.	*Chas. H. Browning.
C. J. Shoemaker.	E. Cunningham.
John Easey.	Geo. E. Wallace.
*Stephen L. Cooper.	Wm. Pratt.
R. M. Bellinger.	E. W. Bardo.
A. E. Thayer.	D. L. Merrill.
Enos Short.	W. E. Dockry.

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COL. MYRON BAKER POST NO. 33, MORENCI.

Chartered December 29, 1881.

Membership 37.

Commander, Robert Service.

Delegate. John D. Hanna. *Alternate.* R. B. Sutton.

Past Commanders.

V. Smith.	Wm. Onweller.
Loren W. Chapin.	Wm. H. Chappell.
Fred B. Sheffield.	J. W. Sheffield.
James Haynes.	Jas. O. Converse.

ZACH. CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 78.

Commander, Jas. H. Holsworth.

Delegate. W. C. Nichols. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

T. Biddle.	A. H. Cook.
W. S. Bradley.	H. J. Dodge.
J. S. Hicks.	James Martin.
Geo. O. Chapman.	O. A. Dean.
Thos. E. Bishop.	J. S. Donahue.
Y. D. Green.	C. A. Butterfield.
A. R. Hotchkiss.	Geo. W. Matthews.
A. W. Earle.	

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

Chartered December 29, 1881.

Membership 4.

Commander, S. L. Snavley.

Delegate. M. J. Nelson. *Alternate.* P. E. O'Brien.

Past Commanders.

S. L. Snavley.

STANTON POST NO. 37, STANTON.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 16.

Commander, T. M. Smith.

Delegate. J. H. Tishue. *Alternate.* J. Pintler.

Past Commanders.

H. H. Hinds.	F. M. Warner.
J. A. Crocker.	T. M. Smith.
H. V. Hallett.	

SAGINAW POST NO. 38, SAGINAW.

Chartered December 14, 1881.

Membership 58.

*Commander, M. A. Griffin.

Delegates. *G. T. Converse. *Alternates.* John Balentine.

*Cris Wasserman.

Past Commanders.

W. G. Gage.	*Jos. Seeman.
*James T. Hale.	B. A. Osborne.
*Robert Dederich.	Chas. Ziem.
L. G. Wilcox.	J. H. Cowell.
W. J. Doxser.	F. D. Keeler.
*J. W. Vance.	Fred Gill.

KILPATRICK POST NO. 39, BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Chartered February 15, 1882. Membership 22.
 Commander, Orlando Nelson.

<i>Delegate.</i> B. F. Flynn.	<i>Past Commanders.</i> *J. Hallenbeck. A. W. Haskins. *W. H. Miller. Henry Moyer.	<i>Alternate.</i> Wm. Burton. Lewis Rollo. Mandell Wells. John W. Hill.
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A. S. WILLIAMS POST NO. 40, CHARLOTTE.

Chartered February 8, 1882. Membership 102.
 Commander, Evander Dunning.

<i>Delegates.</i> O. P. Hulett. Geo. F. Gardner.	<i>Past Commanders.</i> J. D. Butler. Wm. Jordan. Asa Smart. Evander Dunning. Jas. Umbarger. Joseph Shaw.	<i>Alternates.</i> W. P. Faulkner. Chas. Tanner. Wm. M. Beekman. Thos. J. Snow. Fred G. Warren. Albert T. Nye. L. D. Fisher.
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R. P. CARPENTER POST NO. 41, CHELSEA.

Chartered February 13, 1882. Membership 20.
 Commander, J. F. Waltrous.

<i>Delegate.</i> John Strohle.	<i>Past Commanders.</i> J. F. Harrington. E. Gorman. Rush Green. J. F. Waltrous.	<i>Alternate.</i> J. G. Schmidt. U. D. Streeter. C. E. Bowen. *E. L. Negus. A. N. Morton.
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CHAS. T. FOSTER POST NO. 42, LANSING.

Chartered February 2, 1882. Membership 203.
 *Commander, W. L. Mosher.

<i>Delegates.</i> *W. L. Mosher. *John Davidson. *Chas. T. Lord. Asa L. Landon. *E. S. Humphrey.	<i>Past Commanders.</i> *Frederick Schneider. *Edwin R. Havens. Frank M. Howe. Wm. C. Nesen. *W. P. Treadway. I. N. Ashley. Chas. Turrell. Thos. Blosser. *J. A. Wardell. A. H. Tibbits. *J. H. Lymon. Chas. E. Phelps. Franklin Paine.	<i>Alternates.</i> *A. B. Chapin. J. W. Braden. I. H. Burdick. Chas. E. Miller. *Uriah Lazell. *Albert Spink. Allen S. Shattuck. Wm. W. Cook. Geo. J. Foster. *Seymour Foster. Geo. W. Stone. Lewis A. Miller. W. A. Bolter. Lester J. Kenney. *John Oatley. B. Carlton. John G. Snook.
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SCOTT POST NO. 43, BLISSFIELD.

Chartered February 16, 1882.

Membership 31.

*Commander, N. T. Stoner.

Delegate.

*David Lamley.

Alternate.

Hugh Richard.

Past Commanders.

Frank A. Sperry.
 Geo. F. Ford.
 W. H. Colyer.
 H. H. Wilber.

*Fred Bay.
 H. R. Wood.
 N. T. Stoner.

WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.

Chartered February 13, 1882.

Membership 135.

Commander, N. D. Chew.

Delegates.

Chas. M. Cone.
 Thos. J. Harris.
 Martin Loop.

Alternates.

H. Cunningham.
 John E. Storey.
 William Tidswell.

Past Commanders.

B. F. Graves.
 B. F. Mattern.
 Geo. Irving.
 Hope Welch.
 Clark W. Decker.
 Oliver H. Beach.
 S. E. Graves.
 D. B. Morgan.
 R. P. Butrick.
 C. G. Drake.
 Morris Long.

Luther Fry.
 Geo. Williams.
 John B. Allen.
 Squire Johnson.
 John H. Purdy.
 A. Dobbin.
 M. C. Ross.
 Richard Bailey.
 R. B. Davis.
 N. D. Chew.

B. H. RUTTER POST NO. 47, DOWAGIAC.

Chartered August 28, 1914.

Membership 41.

Commander, John Bilderback.

Delegate.

D. Giland.

Alternate.

D. H. McMaster.

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

Chartered March 9, 1882.

Membership 158.

*Commander, F. L. Manning.

Delegates.

*Byron Winchester.
 Geo. Kinney.
 *Josiah Creque.
 Hiram Bailey.

Alternates.

Geo. Bryant.
 *Fred Schofield.
 Geo. H. Bigelow.
 J. N. Bartlett.

Past Commanders.

A. D. Welling.
 O. F. Kaywood.
 *Albert Dunham.
 J. L. Sample.
 *D. J. Wilson.
 J. D. Jewell.
 Orastus Blake.
 B. F. Lair.
 *Frank White.
 Dewitt C. Faxon.
 Wm. H. Porter.

*Thos. Daniels.
 S. B. Davis.
 Thos. Moloney.
 A. G. Miller.
 Lewis Pelton.
 *H. F. Higgins.
 *W. W. Crocker.
 Delos Ells.
 *F. L. Manning.
 Francis English.

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WADSWORTH POST NO. 49, LAWRENCE.

Chartered March 16, 1882. Membership 20.

Commander, John H. Shoemaker.
Alternate.
 Wm. C. Hall.
Delegate.
 Silas Devon.
Past Commanders.
 Thomas C. Tyner. Francis Branch.
 John H. Shoemaker. Geo. W. Hillyard.
 George A. Cross. Geo. W. McFern.
 Harris Hillyard.

JOHN T. REYNOLDS POST NO. 52, PENTWATER.

Chartered November 18, 1887. Membership 20.

Commander, C. C. Inman.
Alternate.
 F. M. Wagar.
Delegate.
 Lucius Slocum.
Past Commanders.
 F. O. Gardner. Geo. Houseman.
 W. A. Clark. A. Jacobs.
 D. I. Davis. C. C. Inman.
 O. L. Inman.

PHIL M'KERNAN POST NO. 53, MASON.

Chartered April 8, 1882. Membership 41.

Commander, Theo. Bortle.
Alternate.
 Geo. Judson.
Delegate.
 *Jos. Jewett.
Past Commanders.
 G. L. Barnaby. S. C. Parker.
 Theo. Bortle. H. C. Freeland.

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

Chartered April 15, 1882. Membership 10.

Commander, W. W. Byer.
Alternate.
 Joseph Bersey.
Delegate.
 D. D. Ivins.
Past Commanders.
 Thos. Solly. A. A. Clawson.
 W. W. Byer.

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

Chartered June 4, 1895. Membership 11.

Commander, Marion Bates.
Alternate.
 Walter Tennant.
Delegate.
 Homer Sperry.
Past Commanders.
 Homer G. Sperry. William Hamlin.
 Marion Bates. Wm. B. Hamilton.
 A. S. Hathaway. E. A. Gibson.
 R. N. Ormsby.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

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

Chartered April 25, 1882.

Membership 55.

Delegate.

Mortimer Culver.

Commander, N. W. Houser.

Alternate.

Marion Renniff.

Past Commanders.

W. W. Warner.
N. W. Houser.
Geo. W. Cady.
J. W. Eley.
Myron A. Powell.

A. C. Estabrook.
Sam'l F. Murphy.
L. Y. Cady.
Marion Renniff.
Wm. Burnett.

THOMAS MANNING POST NO. 57, MARCELLUS.

Chartered May 19, 1882.

Membership 44.

Delegate.

A. J. Maxam.

Commander, Edward W. La Barre.

Alternate.

N. W. Holcomb.

Past Commanders.

J. B. Fortner.
G. I. Nash.
W. R. Snider.
Levi Dennis.

E. W. La Barre.
C. Simson.
C. H. Beardslee.
Isaac Dion.

A. COLVIN POST NO. 59, GOBLEVILLE.

Chartered May 22, 1882.

Membership 22.

Delegate.

J. C. Parsons.

Commander, J. S. Eastman.

Alternate.

W. M. Signor.

Past Commanders.

Phil Bush.
O. S. Brown.
C. B. Hart.

Richard Hill.
G. W. Lewis.

DEWEY POST NO. 60, LESLIE.

Chartered May 25, 1882.

Membership 32.

Delegate.

C. Carpenter.

Commander, A. H. Laberteaux.

Alternate.

Jerome Cady.

Past Commanders.

L. C. Rice.
J. B. Scovel.

*W. D. Longyear.
A. H. Laberteaux.

JEWELL POST NO. 62, CEDAR SPRINGS.

Chartered June 3, 1882.

Membership 17.

Delegate.

Ira Cutler.

Commander, Chas. R. Sneathen.

Alternate.

H. Morningstar.

Past Commanders.

John T. Pomeroy.
Silas T. Church.
G. W. Fullington.
C. R. Sneathen.

Sam'l H. Smith.
J. D. Jackson.
Miles Mulford.

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

Chartered June 20, 1882. Membership 12.

Commander, F. E. Hayes.

Delegate.

W. C. Stevens.

Alternate.

F. E. Hayes.

Past Commanders.

Theo. Hills.
B. F. Oakes.
F. E. Hayes.
Wardwell Hayes.

J. M. Walker.
S. C. Williams.
John Youngs.
C. F. Adams.

FRANK GRAVES POST NO. 64, NILES.

Chartered November 7, 1913. Membership 20.

Commander, W. Hillis Smith.

Delegate.

E. D. Lombard.

Alternate.

H. C. Beswick.

Past Commanders.

W. Hillis Smith.

H. C. Beswick.

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

Chartered July 24, 1882. Membership 14.

Commander, S. P. King.

Delegate.

Frank East.

Alternate.

D. Houser.

Past Commanders.

I. S. Perrine.
S. P. King.

H. H. Bowen.

STEVENS POST NO. 66, EAST JORDAN.

Chartered December 4, 1882. Membership 18.

Commander, J. W. Rogers.

Delegate.

Wm. Harrington.

Alternate.

A. Townsend.

Past Commanders.

J. W. Rogers.
L. C. Madison.
Geo. J. Bowen.

J. H. Kocher.
A. Bush.
F. L. Smith.

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

Chartered June 12, 1882. Membership 68.

*Commander, John N. Sirmyer.

Delegates.

*Wm. McMullen.
*Geo. Rood.
*Francis Leroy.

Alternates.

Jason Mandley.
John Nollett.
James Stephens.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

*H. C. Green.	Sol Wilhelm.
C. L. Collins.	*O. F. Kellogg.
*James Van Kleeck.	*L. A. L. Gilbert.
*J. P. Day.	*J. Van Buren. 1;
*August Meisel.	*L. T. Houck. 1
*Griff Lewis.	*W. Hubbard.
*Chas. Gossler.	*Hiram Russell.
*J. E. Hill.	J. N. Sirmyer.
P. Gibbons.	A. L. Pond.
*Wm. Dacey.	

SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.

Chartered July 27, 1882.

Membership 26.

Commander, C. E. Butterfield.

Delegate.

Edwin S. Randall.

Alternate.

Joel Morse.

Past Commanders.

Wm. H. Barry.	A. H. Towne.
Samuel Wright.	H. H. Gilbert.
F. A. Pitts.	J. D. Randall.
C. E. Butterfield.	L. D. Wildey.
B. Pittinger.	G. B. Getty.
G. W. Carroll.	A. Fleming.

DWIGHT MAY POST NO. 69, MIDLAND.

Chartered June 29, 1882.

Membership 22.

*Commander, T. B. Main.

Delegate.

*J. L. Hart.

Alternate.

John Iott.

Past Commanders.

*T. B. Main.	Wm. L. Stearns.
*Alfred See.	Henry D. Northway.
*W. A. Finney.	*I. H. Richardson.
Wm. Patterson.	

JAMES D. MORGAN POST NO. 70, ONAWAY.

Chartered April 2, 1914.

Membership 17.

Commander, S. S. Tower.

Delegate.

S. S. Tower.

*Alternate.**Past Commander.*

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

Chartered September 7, 1882.

Membership 47.

Commander, J. D. Wolf.

Delegate.

Lester B. Place.

Alternate.

*C. L. Seekell.

Past Commanders.

M. H. Bumphrey.	Russell R. Pealer.
S. M. Snyder.	Bishop E. Andrews.
Jeff. P. McKey.	Geo. A. B. Cooke.
W. C. Porter.	J. D. Wolf.

WEATHERWAX POST NO. 75, GRAND HAVEN.

Chartered September 13, 1882. Membership 22.

	Commander, Antoine Boet.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
John Luikens.		Frank Kinsley.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
C. E. Soule.		Orson Vanderhoef.
C. N. Dickenson.		Antoine Boet.

JOSEPH R. SMITH POST NO. 76, MONROE.

Chartered September 12, 1882. Membership 35.

	Commander, Leander Wade.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
Adolph Rupp.		Adam Michaels.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Burton Parker.		A. Lehr.
J. Callum.		Justus Sorter.
Wm. F. Haight.		

FRANK HICKS POST NO. 78, DANSVILLE.

Chartered September 18, 1882. Membership 8.

	Commander, A. L. Crossman.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
Merritt Hicks.		
	<i>Past Commander.</i>	
A. L. Crossman.		

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

Chartered September 20, 1882. Membership 124.

	Commander, Alex. Robbins.	
<i>Delegates.</i>		<i>Alternates.</i>
G. E. Dunbar.		S. H. Hough.
*John C. Langdon.		W. H. VanOrman.
James E. Vane.		James McGinn.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Geo. M. Buck.		J. D. Turner.
Wm. F. Sherman.		G. W. Tuttle.
Freeman Hall.		E. S. Bissell.
F. P. Muhlenberg.		Chas. Prang.
Geo. F. Larned.		*Geo. Clark.
John D. Sumner.		Geo. W. Doane.
*H. P. Shutt.		*Eli Strong.
J. E. White.		C. W. Davenport.
*W. A. Keyser.		J. H. Johnson.
S. H. La Porte.		*W. H. Van Orman.
*Geo. Downey.		Holland Simmons.
Oliver Wise.		

HARLOW BRIGGS POST NO. 80, HOPKINS STATION.

Chartered September 25, 1882. Membership 14.

	Commander, E. P. Arnold.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
John W. Linsley.		
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
John Hoffmaster.		Chas. Tiefenthal.
Geo. Ruehle.		W. W. Clark.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

WM. A. KENT POST NO. 83, GREENVILLE.

Chartered October 6, 1882.

Membership 22.

Delegate.

William Lunn.

Commander, A. J. Cory.

Alternate.

G. H. Griswold.

*Past Commanders.*O. B. Green.
A. J. Cole.
C. O. Jennison.
A. J. Cory.O. W. Green.
A. T. Bliss.
John W. Finch.

COL. BAKER POST NO. 84, KALKASKA.

Chartered October 9, 1882.

Membership 24.

Delegate.

Commander, Chas. Woolpert.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*James Greacen.
Jas. M. Flagg.
John Lewis.
Chas. H. DePuy.Jas. N. Steel.
Jno. E. Rainbow.
W. J. Wilson.
Chas. Woolpert.

GEN. LYON POST NO. 86, MANCELONA.

Chartered October 10, 1882.

Membership 17.

Delegate.

*James Blair.

*Commander, John W. Wallace.

Alternate.

Albert W. Canady.

*Past Commanders.*J. O. Lyons.
James J. Ayers.
Jno. W. Wallace.Davis S. Davis.
Albertus Symonds.
Peter Dubois.

JOS. WILSON POST NO. 87, LOWELL.

Chartered October 16, 1882.

Membership 28.

Delegate.

T. B. Carter.

Commander, W. R. Andrews.

Alternate.

Levi Elson.

*Past Commanders.*S. P. Hicks.
J. H. Godfrey.D. O. Shear.
W. R. Andrews.

CORBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

Chartered October 17, 1882.

Membership 38.

Delegate.

C. B. Lowell.

Commander, William W. Fenno.

Alternate.

Thos. C. Knapp.

*Past Commanders.*L. L. Harsh.
M. F. Buell.
Geo. Blackwell.
J. M. Wells.
Henry Seymour.W. W. Fenno.
C. M. Hall.
M. E. Blair.
J. D. Parks.

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RANSOM POST NO. 89, FLUSHING.

Chartered October 18, 1882.

Membership 12.

Delegate.
S. Loop.

**Commander, Jas. M. Greenfield.*
Alternate.

Past Commanders.

J. M. Greenfield.	Cyrus Phelps.
W. J. Ottaway.	J. M. Caldwell.

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

Chartered November 14, 1882.

Membership 40.

Delegate.
*Wm. McNitt.

**Commander, John Mahoney.*
Alternate.
S. Schwink.

Past Commanders.

O. T. Mosier.	Daniel Crane.
Fred Wellington.	John Mahoney.
J. F. Brand.	J. H. Leavenworth.
N. B. Kinsey.	John W. Foote.
Frank McPhillips.	*A. Typher.
J. P. Schwann.	*L. B. Chamberlain.

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

Chartered October 25, 1882.

Membership 40.

Delegate.
*Geo. Willcox.

Commander, James Knowles.
Alternate.
George Saunders.

Past Commanders.

A. B. Darragh.	L. B. Longwell.
L. W. Beach.	Willard Gay.
C. H. Crandall.	L. L. Cornell.
Henry Davison.	Henry O. Totten.
*H. E. Histed.	R. Root.
J. G. LaClear.	James Knowles.

WALLACE POST NO. 95, FLAT ROCK.

Chartered December 9, 1882.

Membership 15.

Delegate.
David Valrance.

Commander, John R. Brown.
Alternate.
Henry M. Smith.

Past Commanders.

J. M. Van Riper.	Sherman Rice.
S. F. Smith.	C. Strewing.
*Albert W. Wagar.	F. Ferstel.
E. Beach.	*J. R. Brown.
F. M. Reid.	H. W. Moses.

CARTER POST NO. 96, UNION.

Chartered December 21, 1882.

Membership 8.

Delegate.
J. C. Kyle.

Commander, H. F. Garman.
Alternate.
B. Probst.

Past Commander.
H. F. Garman.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

JOHN J. BAGLEY POST NO. 97, HERSEY.

Chartered December 27, 1882.

Membership 6.

Commander, L. F. Corey.
Delegate. Henry Rose. *Alternate.* I. N. Owens.
Past Commanders. L. F. Corey. B. F. Corey.

WILLIAM SANBORN POST NO. 98, PORT HURON.

Chartered December 30, 1882.

Membership 58.

Commander, John Hill.
Delegate. Theo. Shires. *Alternate.* A. A. Carleton.
Past Commanders. *Geo. W. Howe. Wm. O. Lee.
 W. H. Brown. J. W. Burns.
 J. D. Kinney. G. B. Windover.
 N. D. Brown. A. H. Welsher.
 *C. W. Higgins. Harvey Hyde.
 Jno. Hill. Edwin S. Petit.

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

Chartered January 10, 1883.

Membership 18.

Commander, Chas. W. Lung.
Delegate. J. O. Probasco. *Alternate.* *John Ashley.
Past Commanders. B. H. Stevens. Chas. W. Lung.
 Geo. W. Terry. T. A. Steadman.

MOSES WISNER POST NO. 101, ITHACA.

Chartered January 13, 1883.

Membership 20.

Commander, Abial S. Loomis.
Delegate. N. M. Showers. *Alternate.* N. Church.
Past Commanders. W. H. Beasley. K. P. Peet.
 E. B. Killee. A. J. Brown.
 Thomas Crafford. *J. Gidley.
 Wm. Stahl. A. S. Loomis.

ELI P. ALEXANDER POST NO. 103, WILLIAMSTON.

Chartered January 16, 1883.

Membership 23.

Commander, M. S. Baker.
Delegate. W. L. Robson. *Alternate.* Chas. West.
Past Commanders. Mathias Coad. A. H. Kinnie.
 W. L. Robson.

WORTH POST NO. 105, TEKONSHA.

Chartered February 15, 1883.

Membership 12.

Commander, Willard Whitney.
Delegate. R. E. Eldred. *Alternate.* Ben Brand.
Past Commanders. Willard Whitney. Wm. H. Davis.
 C. H. Miller.

TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIMONDALE.

Chartered March 17, 1883.

Membership 20.

Commander, N. P. Bateman.
Delegate. Samuel Leseney. *Alternate.* John Hetrick.
Past Commanders. *N. P. Bateman. O. G. Andrews.
 John M. Spitler. E. D. Butler.
 S. Rumsey. J. A. Bell.

EARL HALBERT POST NO. 108, GRAND LEDGE.

Chartered March 15, 1883.

Membership 30.

Commander, Hovey Campbell.
Delegate. *Edwin O. Russell. *Alternate.* A. E. Elliott.
Past Commanders. D. G. Kennedy. Hovey Campbell.
 John C. Clark. J. D. Summers.

BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.

Chartered March 9, 1883.

Membership 88.

*Commander, Jefferson T. Burns.
Delegates. Wm. Myers. *Alternates.* *W. J. Smalley.
 *M. Wheeler. J. Wilcox.
Past Commanders. N. A. Reynolds. L. S. Daniels.
 Henry Firth. T. S. Osborn.
 B. K. Robbins. B. R. Amsden.
 Frank Eaton. Geo. Nivison.
 C. W. Bennett. J. T. Burns.

DE GOLYER POST NO. 110, HUDSON.

Chartered March 12, 1883.

Membership 32.

Commander, Geo. D. Swift.
Delegate. Russell Brooks. *Alternate.* C. Schingler.
Past Commanders. Fred Barkway. O. W. Haynes.
 Edwin Camp. R. A. Beach.
 A. H. Boies. J. K. Periman.
 J. A. Dillon. Wm. A. Barnard.

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

Chartered March 14, 1883.

Membership 96.

Commander, John M. Putnam.

*Delegates.**Leroy Evans.
B. K. Crandall.*Alternates.*O. J. Peterson.
*A. L. Burnett.*Past Commanders.*G. W. Norton.
*H. B. Olmstead.
Eli Cook.
*Geo. Nobel.
*Roswell West.
*John Thompson.
*A. Cheney.
L. W. Ramsey.*D. M. Beman.
*H. J. Milbourn.
*C. B. Fowler.
*J. J. Holmes.
N. J. DeBar.
*W. D. Fuller.
*John Putnam.
L. A. Fowler.

JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLerville.

Chartered March 22, 1883.

Membership 36.

*Commander, Henry Curtis.

Delegate.

*A. W. Cooper.

Alternate.

Andrew Wall.

*Past Commanders.*G. D. Hamilton.
*Louis Cobleby.A. H. Smith.
*C. E. Dunstan.

ELLIOTT POST NO. 115, WHITE PIGEON.

Chartered March 23, 1883.

Membership 12.

Commander, Daniel Saunter.

Delegate.

H. M. Fox.

Alternate.

M. Luther.

Past Commanders.

Martin Luther.

Daniel Saunter.

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

Chartered March 22, 1883.

Membership 10.

Commander, L. C. Kanouse.

Delegate.

*Jos. Schweikert.

Alternate.

Albert Campbell.

*Past Commanders.**G. LaDue.
J. Goff.L. C. Kanouse.
M. D. Comstock.

WADDELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.

Chartered April 5, 1883.

Membership 34.

Commander, George Barnes.

Delegate.

Alva P. Ellis.

Alternate.

Edgar Noble.

*Past Commanders.*Frank Jordan.
Geo. Barnes.
John McGivney.
R. D. W. Woodworth.Asa Parshall.
M. W. Dickinson.
H. H. Collins.
A. F. Peavey.

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PAP THOMAS POST NO. 121, CHESANING.

Chartered April 6, 1883. Membership 24.

Delegate. *Commander, Harvey T. Weaver. *Alternate.*
 K. Brophy. Peter Dumond.
Past Commanders.
 H. T. Weaver. S. B. Vannocker.
 David O. Quigley. *O. W. Damon.

CARVER POST NO. 123, FRANKFORT.

Chartered April 7, 1883. Membership 12.

Delegate. Commander, Lot Nevins. *Alternate.*
 A. B. Benton. W. H. Wood.
Past Commanders.
 C. C. Forney. J. A. Conklin.
 Lot Nevins.

FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

Chartered April 11, 1883. Membership 52.

Delegate. *Commander, A. E. Phillips. *Alternate.*
 James R. Dailey. Theo. DeMott.
Past Commanders.
 H. Marble. W. H. Garrison.
 Travers Philips. Caleb W. Moore.
 H. Palmieter. B. W. Shriner.
 Wm. S. Langston. Frank Pierce.
 Oliver H. Greenfield. D. H. Grow.
 D. E. Birdsall. Michael B. Todd.
 B. F. Taylor. Delos Hopkins.
 J. W. Bronson.

DAN S. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELDING.

Chartered April 14, 1883. Membership 46.

Delegate. Commander, Frank R. Chase. *Alternate.*
 *Matthias Kohn. J. H. Godfrey.
Past Commanders.
 *B. F. Tower. Frank R. Chase.
 W. R. Olds. H. A. Waldron.
 C. M. Slayton. W. H. Eckler.

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

Chartered April 15, 1883. Membership 10.

Delegate. Commander, J. E. Jones. *Alternate.*
 Robt. Anderson. J. E. Jones.
Past Commanders.
 Robert Anderson. J. A. Knickerbocker.
 Thomas Anderson. J. E. Jones.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

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

Chartered April 21, 1883. Membership 10.

		Commander, W. M. Young.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>	
Peter Pung.		S. A. Hunt.	
		<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
F. A. Stowe.		Edward Case.	
Wm. M. Young.			

HENRY M. LIDDLE POST NO. 131, COLON.

Chartered April 21, 1883. Membership 21.

		Commander, Chas. Clement.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>	
Bruce C. Wilcox.		David Shook.	
		<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
John L. Lytle.		John A. Mosher.	
Charles Clement.		E. P. Wellsley.	
E. Kemerling.		N. H. Way.	
W. H. A. Godfrey.			

JOHN MEGARRAH POST NO. 132, PORTLAND.

Chartered April 27, 1883. Membership 42.

		Commander, J. W. Klotz.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>	
C. F. Hogmire.		L. W. Ackley.	
		<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
H. W. Holcomb.		R. P. Baldwin.	
Vinson Taylor.		M. J. Whitney.	
John W. Van Horn.		Jabez Blacksten.	
*Wm. G. Miner.		J. D. Woodbury.	
John W. Klotz.			

SAMUEL JUDD POST NO. 133, NEWAYGO.

Chartered April 27, 1883. Membership 13.

		Commander, S. B. Gibe.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>	
		<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
J. H. Edwards.		W. H. Ostrom.	
S. D. Thompson.		S. Bartram.	
L. C. Gates.		Geo. Morse.	

FRED W. WALKER POST NO. 134, MT. MORRIS.

Chartered April 27, 1883. Membership 7.

		Commander, John Mitchell.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>	
John Hughes.		Dexter Douglas.	
		<i>Past Comntanders.</i>	
Geo. W. Clute.		M. W. Fairbanks.	
*John Hughes.		John Mitchell.	
*Dexter Douglas.			

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BARTHOLOMEW POST NO. 136, NUNICA.

Chartered May 11, 1883. Membership 5.
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 Delegate. Commander, E. R. Porter.
 A. M. Vanampwort. Alternate.
Past Commanders.
 John Castle. John Howard.
 H. E. Plant. E. R. Porter.

WELCH POST NO. 137, ANN ARBOR.

Chartered May 8, 1883. Membership 47.
 Delegate. Commander, Arthur S. Lyons.
 *Geo. H. Wade. Alternate.
Past Commanders. Silas P. Hill.
 J. Q. A. Sessions. Robt. Campbell.
 J. M. Perkins. Harrison Soule.
 W. H. Jackson. H. J. Pierson.
 Chas. H. Manley. Silas P. Hill.
 *Hiram Kropf. W. A. Clark.

HORACE S. ROBERTS POST NO. 139, ALPENA.

Chartered May 23, 1883. Membership 22.
 Delegate. Commander, Frank Hasell.
 Frank Hasell. Alternate.
Past Commanders. Jno. J. Clark.
 Frank Hasell. John C. Viall.

BEERS POST NO. 140, TECUMSEH.

Chartered May 18, 1881. Membership 41.
 Delegate. Commander, H. W. Stevens.
 Thos. Langston. Alternate.
Past Commanders. H. H. Smith.
 Elwin Camborn. J. M. Ingersoll.
 J. W. Wightman. *H. W. Stevens.
 A. W. Mills. Geo. J. Keyser.
 John D. Shull. Elmer A. Wilson.
 H. J. Sweet. Wm. Smith.
 H. C. Daniels. Henry Wagner.

WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO.

Chartered May 25, 1883. Membership 14.
 Delegate. *Commander, L. C. Grady.
 *L. C. Myers. Alternate.
Past Commanders. Chas. Amsden.
 L. C. Grady. J. P. Westfall.

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TURRILL POST NO. 144, LAPEER.

Chartered May 29, 1883.

Membership 39.

Delegate.

*George Barber.

Commander, L. J. Beers.

Alternate.

J. B. Decker.

*Past Commanders.**Robt. King.
G. W. Cramton.
L. J. Beers.Geo. B. Farquharson.
David R. Laing.
Stuart Gorton.

GOV. CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.

Chartered June 7, 1883..

Membership 86.

*Delegates.*Geo. Crankshaw.
*Wray Mitchell.

Commander, Jas. H. Failing.

*Alternates.**Wm. Pratt.
A. Vanaerman.*Past Commanders.*O. F. Lockhead.
*M. C. Barney.
Paul Countryman.
John W. Begg.
Frank E. Willets.
*Ed. C. Marsh.
Milo Sweers.*Joseph Rush.
Geo. E. Newell.
*Geo. Raab.
*James H. Failing.
Jas. W. Van Tassel.
*Thos. A. Willits.
E. A. Jennings.

DICK RICHARDSON POST NO. 147, PONTIAC.

Chartered June 11, 1883.

Membership 54.

Delegate.

Amos Smith.

*Commander, Thomas Wyckoff.

Alternate.

W. E. Sprague.

*Past Commanders.*D. Hammond.
D. S. Howard.
*Samuel Giles.
Chauncey Brace.
*James Sherman.
Edward C. Smith.
Geo. Button.B. F. Miller.
S. J. Cloonan.
Wm. Cheals.
E. S. Whitcomb.
*Thomas P. Banks.
Thomas Wyckoff.

RALPH ELY POST NO. 150, SHEPHERD.

Chartered June 12, 1883.

Membership 12.

*Delegate.*R. Wellman.
William Suix.
Geo. W. Fonts.

Commander, J. B. Struble.

*Alternate.*I. N. Fordyce.
J. B. Strubel.
J. B. Northrop.*Past Commanders.*

WILLIAM MOYER POST NO. 152, ALMA.

Chartered July 11, 1883.

Membership 31.

Delegate.

Myron Barber.

Commander, E. N. Chadwick.

Alternate.

C. E. Titus.

*Past Commanders.*Ezra Robinson.
E. N. Chadwick.
*S. Wilbur.Geo. W. Willard.
*Jos. Sartor, Sr.
*C. A. Walker.

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HIEL P. CLARK POST NO. 153, SARANAC.

Chartered July 2, 1883. Membership 18.

Delegate.

Henry Pinkney.

Commander, James Renwick.

Alternate.

Geo. Wilson.

Past Commanders.

F. T. Haskin.
S. C. Pickens.
W. H. Pinckney.
M. Turner.

N. T. Hubbell.
J. A. Aldrich.
John Chapple.
James Renwick.

GREGG POST NO. 155, HOMER.

Chartered July 11, 1883. Membership 11.

Delegte.

C. D. Burt.
A. P. Wyant.
N. D. Budon.

Commander, Nathan D. Budon.

Alternate.

D. H. James.
W. P. Marsh.

Past Commanders.

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

Chartered July 5, 1883. Membership 52.

Delegate.

J. W. Mull.

Commander, David Miller.

Alternate.

Samuel Kinney.

Past Commanders.

John W. Bradner.
O. E. Wilson.
J. P. Minard.

D. S. French.
J. L. Ring.
W. B. Drake.

ALBERT ANDERSON POST NO. 157, CASSOPOLIS.

Chartered July 6, 1883. Membership 18.

Delegate.

Thomas M. Sears.

Commander, H. C. Walker.

Alternate.

*B. L. Rudd.

Past Commanders.

M. A. Abbott.
Jas. M. Shepard.
H. C. Walker.

Jacob McIntosh.
Norris Richardson.

COLONEL ELY POST NO. 158, ELM HALL.

Chartered July 10, 1883. Membership 23.

Delegate.

C. D. Hill.

Commander, R. Schnepf.

Alternate.

L. A. Carmer.

Past Commanders.

Seneca Sly.
Geo. Rockafellow.
C. M. Guild.
*A. W. Morton.
A. E. Winters.
*William Parks.
Henry A. Clow.

*Augustus Wiser.
R. Schnepf.
Geo. Oliver.
John B. Wood.
Chas. D. Hills.
L. A. Carmer.

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HENRY F. WALLACE POST NO. 160, CORUNNA.

Chartered July 12, 1883.

Membership 33.

*Delegates.**Daniel Munger.
*Chas. Twitchell.

Commander, James J. Peacock.

*Alternates.*Loren Warriner.
Geo. Cosee.*Past Commanders.*J. C. Thomas.
*A. H. Adams.
*Andrew Porter.
James J. Peacock.
Geo. Morreau.
P. Kline.Wm. Morrison.
*Wm. E. Jacobs.
E. D. Babcock.
*E. Conely.
L. H. Wilcox.

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

Chartered July 20, 1883.

Membership 13.

Delegate.

John McCredie.

Commander, John McCredie.

Alternate.

John D. Conlon.

*Past Commanders.*Louis Kramer.
John D. Conlon.John McCredie.
Chas. M. Golden.

EDWARD DWIGHT POST NO. 163, VERMONTVILLE.

Chartered July 30, 1883.

Membership 27.

Delegate.

Israel Boyer.

Commander, David Young.

Alternate.

M. Herrick.

*Past Commanders.*J. N. Hawkins.
D. M. Purchis.
*C. F. Fuller.
David Young.Wm. Wright.
C. S. Snell.
Edwin Tyler.

C. COLGROVE POST NO. 166, MARSHALL.

Chartered August 4, 1883.

Membership 46.

*Delegates.*Wm. Hunt.
*G. F. Waltz.

Commander, Stanley C. Brooks.

Alternates.

Warren Newton.

*Past Commanders.**Arthur Philips.
*David Walkinshaw.
*John R. Roe.
Henry A. Clute.
H. H. Miller.Stanley C. Brooks.
S. W. Thompson.
S. B. Shotwell.
*R. Z. Case.

LUMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.

Chartered August 11, 1883.

Membership 80.

*Delegates.*Frank Jones.
*E. N. Tracy.

Commander, W. R. Montgomery.

*Alternates.*E. A. Dunton.
W. H. Converse.

Past Commanders.

V. A. Baker.	Edwin N. Tracy.
Melvin Burch.	Wilbur F. Lawton.
Horace Pardee.	Louis A. Labadie.
A. F. Ruch.	W. R. Montgomery.
Jos. A. C. Rowan.	Jos. B. Jordon.
Edwin A. Dunton.	H. Berdan.
H. A. Crull.	John E. Warren.

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

Chartered August 22, 1883. Membership 28.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John A. White.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
E. M. Howell.		A. Richardson.
Jas. F. Fillmore.		G. D. Van Dusen.
Geo. R. Gibbs.		W. A. Sweet.
L. M. Lyon.		

E. R. STILES POST NO. 174, HANCOCK.

Chartered August 30, 1883. Membership 21.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Wm. H. Mason.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
W. H. Mason.		Geo. Johnson.
		R. R. Goodale.
W. H. Mason.		
Geo. Johnson.		

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

Chartered September 1, 1883. Membership 15.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Emil Glaser.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
E. B. Carr.		J. M. Beattie.
		John Power.
A. H. Rolph.		Emil Glaser.
Norman A. Eddy.		

MONTCALM POST NO. 176, STANTON.

Chartered December 6, 1895. Membership 6.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John C. Grooms.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*Thos. E. Dunn.		Geo. E. Barber.
		E. D. Childs.
John C. Grooms.		Asa Morse.
John Steele.		
John B. Cole.		
C. W. Blumberg.		

TOM CUSTER POST NO. 178, SHERIDAN.

Chartered August 29, 1883. Membership 9.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Chas. D. Harris.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Lorenzo Allen.		Franklin Forbes.
G. H. Minard.		A. J. Greenho.
C. D. Harris.		

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DEWITT C. RUSSELL POST NO. 179, BRIGHTON.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 12.

Delegate.

Chas. Jacobs.

Commander, Wm. W. Pentlin.

Alternate.

S. A. Smith.

*Past Commanders.*Wm. W. Pentlin.
L. H. Westphal.
James Shanks.H. P. Martin.
Daniel Smith.

CARPENTER POST NO. 180, YPSILANTI.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 32.

Delegate.

M. VanAuker.

Commander, James Kimball.

Alternate.

S. E. Crittenden.

*Past Commanders.*S. B. Mereness.
D. W. Shipman.
James Kimball.Frank Joslyn.
Henry Nieman.

HEBER LE FAVOUR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.

Chartered September 3, 1883.

Membership 41.

Delegate.

*P. Ormund.

Commander, A. J. McCall.

Alternate.

J. F. Beaumont.

*Past Commanders.**Alex. J. McCall.
J. F. Beaumont.
*Walter Crawford.
Geo. W. Sturdevant.
Judson Fielden.
*J. D. Rowe.
*Oliver Cronk.*Asa Prior.
*Samuel W. McCall.
Albert Manypenny.
N. B. Babcock.
S. D. Childs.
*C. E. Everetts.

HENRY DOBSON POST NO. 182, FREMONT.

Chartered September 18, 1883.

Membership 24.

Delegate.

T. H. Smith.

Commander, F. A. Bacon.

Alternate.

J. M. Lewis.

*Past Commanders.*E. E. Giddings.
F. A. Bacon.
C. J. Rathbone.O. Mulliken.
Daniel Squires.
Fred M. Nay.

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

Chartered September 20, 1883.

Membership 8.

Delegate.

Chas. Woodworth.

Commander, D. E. Hathaway.

Alternate.

Joseph Halstead.

Past Commanders.

Edwin J. Eisenberg.

D. E. Hathaway.

HACKETT POST NO. 185, BRONSON.

Chartered September 25, 1883.

Membership 30.

Commander, David Gibbs.

Delegate. Frederick P. Ellis. *Alternate.* Edgar Moses.

Past Commanders.

Charles Hamilton.	Burnley Foote.
Henry Lilly.	Geo. Bolton.
David Gibbs.	John Taggart.
R. L. Whipple.	Robert Hurst.

FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.

Chartered September 27, 1883.

Membership 36.

Commander, Vincent Brown.

Delegate. C. H. Crawford. *Alternate.* W. O. Davis.

Past Commanders. L. L. Hoffman. O. H. Dunning.

L. H. Van Antwerp.

GEO. C. WHITNEY POST NO. 188, HADLEY.

Chartered October 5, 1883.

Membership 9.

Commander, Lucius Sanborn.

Delegate. Frank Bowles. *Alternate.* M. Trumble.

Past Commanders.

J. P. Suiter.	F. W. Goodale.
N. N. Green.	Lucius Sanborn.

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

Chartered October 19, 1883.

Membership 15.

Commander, Daniel Prine.

Delegate. Wm. Heiney. *Alternate.* D. M. Payne.

Past Commanders. John C. Jones. John Larkin.

JAMES BRADLEY POST NO. 194, CLIO.

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 22.

Commander, William H. Sargeant.

Delegate. *E. D. Ormsby. *Alternate.* J. B. Currier.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Sargeant.	J. W. Buffinn.
*John Sloan.	*Geo. Van Nest.
*Wm. A. Wood.	*Cyrus Perigo.
Chas. Beeman.	

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

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 21.

Commander, H. Held.

Delegate.

*Harvey Harper.

Alternate.

J. D. Ward.

*Past Commanders.*Jerome Stone.
Chas. D. Hooper.
Wesley Longcoy.
Jas. Hall.Samuel Maxam.
James Wood.
C. W. Prine.
Geo. Irwin.

JOHN TUCKER POST NO. 197, ORTONVILLE.

Chartered November 2, 1883.

Membership 15.

Commander, Wm. H. Moore.

Delegate.

*Frank Thayer.

Alternate.

Chas. Perry.

*Past Commanders.**Delos Adams.
Wm. H. Moore.*J. R. Kippe.
*H. R. Jones.

JAMES STEDMAN POST NO. 198, REED CITY.

Chartered November 5, 1883.

Membership 10.

Commander, Chas. W. Beecher.

Delegate.

Wm. Minor.

Alternate.

Aaron Bowman.

*Past Commanders.*Chas. Randall.
Adolph Florida.W. W. Corbett.
C. W. Beecher.

PERRY BAKER POST NO. 200, CARLETON.

Chartered November 15, 1883.

Membership 11.

Commander, Geo. H. Post.

Delegate.

M. L. Baker.

Alternate.

Jas. Vanhout.

*Past Commanders.*H. D. Smith.
Geo. H. Post.
Frank Hawley.John F. Baker.
John P. Wallace.

MCGINLEY POST NO. 201, MANISTEE.

Chartered December 6, 1883.

Membership 25.

Commander, E. W. Muenscher.

Delegate.

J. R. Lee.

Alternate.

C. W. Babcock.

*Past Commanders.*Geo. A. Hart.
Allen McKee.J. L. Manseau.
E. W. Muenscher.

ALBERT NYE POST NO. 202, ROMEO.

Chartered December 13, 1883.

Membership 14.

Commander, Freeborn H. Price.

*Delegate.*Freeborn H. Price.
S. Vandecar.*Alternate.*

George A. Hines.

Past Commanders.

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L. B. QUACKENBUSH POST NO. 205, OWOSSO.

Chartered December 21, 1883. Membership 87.
Commander, Gotlab Ruess.

<i>Delegate.</i> Geo. A. Daley.		<i>Alternates.</i> *Geo. H. Brock. Wm. F. Letts.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Chas. Freeman. Julius Frieske. *Chas. L. Paris. M. C. Dawes. Willard Knapp. W. R. Smith. J. W. Smith. John Q. Adams. G. Ruess.		*N. Goodfellow. Thos. M. Wiley. Wm. Guipe. S. W. Sadler. *Leonard S. Bowles. Gilbert L. Osborn. S. Z. Watson. David F. Collins.

MAJOR WEBER POST NO. 206, BELLAIRE.

Chartered December 21, 1883. Membership 22.
Commander, Jas. E. Matthews.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Henry W. Stewart. Roswell Leavitt.		James C. Abbott. C. S. Smith.

GEORGE A. CUSTER POST NO. 208, GALIEN.

Chartered December 28, 1883. Membership 14.
Commander, D. W. Swem.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Henry Keefer. Wm. H. Beach. Alonzo Goodenough. Dan W. Swem.		B. R. Sterns. M. J. Morley. Wm. F. Swem. Samuel Jackson.

ELI ALVORD POST NO. 209, MONTGOMERY.

Chartered December 27, 1883. Membership 13.
Commander, E. R. Fitzsimmons.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Geo. W. Meade.		E. R. Fitzsimmons.
E. R. Fitzsimmons. C. W. Hall.		Chas. Reynolds.

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

Chartered January 4, 1884. Membership 62.
Commander, Everett G. Knapp.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Jas. J. Beachey.		C. B. Hungerford.
*O. G. Hubbard. J. H. Perine. O. S. Stevens. W. M. Loder. Levi S. Warren.		Chas. Pickett. H. F. Gilbert. Washington Gardner. Jas. A. Sherwood.

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

Chartered December 28, 1883.

Membership 54.

Commander, W. E. Normington.

Delegate.

*Edgar S. Shattuck.

*Alternates.**L. Tingley.
L. Carpenter.*Past Commanders.**O. H. Perry.
C. A. Cornell.
J. H. Laden.
A. H. Heath.J. L. Fowle.
C. C. Eyster.
E. Bensinger.
W. E. Normington.

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

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 14.

Commander, Frank Hughes.

Delegate.

R. B. Bishop.

Alternate.

F. Hughes.

*Past Commanders.*Wm. Hawley.
F. Hughes.
R. B. Bishop.Geo. P. Stevens.
Geo. Wobley.
L. B. Cook.

WM. RICHARDSON POST NO. 214, MILLINGTON.

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 21.

Commander, Irving Van Wagnen.

Delegate.

Frank Beebe.

Alternate.

E. J. Whitcomb.

*Past Commanders.**John A. Case.
*Edward Caine.
*Ruben Wilber.
Isaac T. Damon.
I. Van Wagnen.
F. W. Titsworth.Asa M. Davis.
Ira A. Sprague.
*Wm. J. Marks.
W. I. Haines.
L. J. Beers.
*E. Howard.

JOSEPH SMITH POST NO. 215, FULTON.

Chartered January 12, 1884.

Membership 14.

Commander, A. A. Holcomb.

Delegate.

Jonathan Weaver.

Alternate.

J. Hampton.

*Past Commanders.*U. C. Case.
Arthur Longman.
S. C. Rosenberry.O. M. Gates.
L. V. Lyon.

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

Chartered January 7, 1884.

Membership 28.

Commander, Gilbert Lacroix.

Delegate.

Isaac Williams.

Alternate.

Reuben Thompson.

*Past Commanders.*Judson S. Farrar.
Samuel Trew.
Rozell Widrig.
J. F. Cotton.
Geo. W. Robertson.
*James A. Price.M. L. Skillman.
Edwin Tharrett.
August Steitzer.
Gilbert Lacroix.
Samuel Fuller.
A. R. Knight.

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

Chartered January 8, 1884. Membership 17.

Commander, C. B. Streeter.
Delegate. Henry Cutler. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

A. A. Miner. E. R. Nichoson.
G. Gundrum. N. R. Menold.
Chas. B. Streeter.

RUDDOCK POST NO. 224, CHEBOYGAN.

Chartered February 8, 1884. Membership 16.

Commander, Henry A. Blake.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

Geo. P. Humphrey. C. S. Ramsey.
John Baker. Henry A. Blake.
Robt. Braham. Wm. N. Cross.
E. A. Bouchard.

GEO. MARTIN POST NO. 227, EASTPORT.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 11.

Commander, J. McPherson.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

J. S. Arnold. J. O. McEwan.
John McPherson. Geo. O. Glazier.
O. K. Whitney. A. W. Hartwell.
H. H. Chamberlain.

FAIRCHILD'S POST NO. 228, GRASS LAKE.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 16.

Commander, John P. Mount.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

E. L. Cooper. John Erwin.
Morris Kimball. Thomas Durbin.
John P. Mount.

HARVEY TUCKER POST NO. 229, MARINE CITY.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 22.

Commander, Wm. H. Scott.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

*Aug. Horn. Chas. Basney.

Past Commanders.

John W. Ackley. Alex. Sterns.
Chas. F. Farman. W. H. Scott.
Geo. Hornbustle.

EDDY POST NO. 231, PLYMOUTH.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 24.

Commander, O. P. Showers.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

A. N. Brown. Henry Robinson.

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Past Commanders.

T. V. Quackenbush.	Abram Pelham.
William Smitherman.	O. P. Showers.
Henry Robinson.	A. N. Brown.

OSCAR BARTLETT POST NO. 233, WALES.

Chartered February 4, 1884. Membership 20.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, A. A. Haskell.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*O. Cowles.		Jacob Bernell.

Past Commanders.

*William Grunwell.	H. C. Mudge.
*Wm. Smith.	Newell Bowen.
A. A. Haskell.	Wm. Baldock.
Henry Maurer.	

O. H. READ POST NO. 234, HUBBARDSTON.

Chartered March 4, 1884. Membership 12.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Alba S. Harris.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	Chas. W. Bennett.
A. A. Moore.		A. S. Harris.
J. A. Churchill.		

WALTER CLIFFORD POST NO. 235, BOYNE CITY.

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 12.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John A. Newville.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	Wm. Mears.
John A. Newville.		Van R. Newville.
John Jones.		
F. M. Gates.		

PETER A. WEBER POST NO. 237, ROCKFORD.

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 31.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Martin De Gloppe.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Ezra M. Chaffee.		Henry June.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	Wm. Bennett.
D. L. Reynolds.		J. McBane.
A. L. Picket.		Chas. Haner.
Chas. A. Jaqua.		M. De Gloppe.
C. F. Sears.		

MARVIN POST NO. 240, GRAYLING.

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 13.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Adelbert Taylor.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Jno. E. Failing.		L. E. Parker.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	W. Batterson.
*O. Palmer.		W. S. Chalker.
A. C. Wilcox.		
Adelbert Taylor.		

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FRANK MASON POST NO. 242, ATHENS.

Chartered April 5, 1884. Membership 5.

Commander, W. H. Wilson.
Delegate. Henry Kahler. *Alternate.* James H. Paul.
Past Commanders. James H. Paul.
Jas. E. Mason. Wm. H. Wilson.
Henry Kahler.
John Jackson.

JOSEPH MASON POST NO. 248, WACOUSTA.

Chartered April 25, 1884. Membership 10.

Commander, Chas. T. Andrus.
Delegate. William Musten. *Alternate.* W. W. Morgan.
Past Commanders. Chas. T. Andrus.
Henry M. Burns.
A. Dickerson.

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

Chartered April 24, 1884. Membership 51.

Commander, Benj. Dumond.
Delegate. *Chas. P. Jeffords. *Alternate.* L. F. Hall.
Past Commanders. Warner Churchill.
*John A. Harris. *Samuel R. Morrison.
H. E. Deuel.
Benj. Demond.

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

Chartered April 29, 1884. Membership 20.

Commander, James H. Haskins.
Delegate. *J. C. Vanliew. *Alternate.* Henry Miller.
Past Commanders. F. A. Norwood.
Geo. M. Doty. J. H. Engels.
C. B. Moore. J. H. Hoskins.
M. H. Hallock.
O. T. Knapp.

LONSON POST NO. 255, MAYVILLE.

Chartered May 29, 1884. Membership 17.

Commander, A. L. McNinch.
Delegate. *Wm. Turner. *Alternate.* Wm. Kelch.
Past Commanders. *Nathan Goodfellow.
J. R. Perry. *J. W. James.
F. C. Michael. *A. L. Bryant.
Eli Brooks. R. A. Fox.
A. L. McNinch.

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WM. M. FENTON POST NO. 258, ST. IGNACE.

Chartered June 21, 1884.

Membership 6.

Delegate. Commander, P. D. Bissell. *Alternate.*
 A. J. Gennell. *Past Commanders.* Frank S. Walker.
 P. D. Bissell.

A. STEWART POST NO. 259, LITCHFIELD.

Chartered June 24, 1884.

Membership 16.

Delegate. Commander, Henry H. King. *Alternate.*
 Wm. Whitcomb. A. Crandall.
Past Commanders.
 *Frank W. Barber. L. A. Howard.
 E. A. Shattuck. Henry Smith.
 Henry Burns. W. R. Shepard.
 G. W. Clark. J. C. Hadley.
 H. H. King.

CORY POST NO. 261, WAYNE.

Chartered July 12, 1884.

Membership 16.

Delegate. Commander, Duffey Duquett. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders. Robert Bird.
 F. Walden. Curtis Brace.
 A. J. Hill. A. W. Thompson.
 S. R. Kingsley. Duffey Duquett.
 Henry Loss.

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

Chartered July 17, 1884.

Membership 36.

Delegate. Commander, Gerrit Van Schelven. *Alternate.*
 D. H. Clark. *Louis deKraker.
Past Commanders.
 Benj. Van Raalte. Gerrit Van Schelven.
 P. H. McBride. G. W. Edgler.
 Peter Wilms. John Zwemer.

GEN. HARKER POST NO. 263, VANDERBILT.

Chartered July 7, 1884.

Membership 12.

Delegate. Commander, W. H. Claspill. *Alternate.*
 J. L. Hodge. *Past Commanders.*
 N. C. G. Ashley. *John G. Berry.
 T. C. Woodin. Wm. Karlake.
 W. H. Claspill. Royal Stone.
 A. Van Buren.

LYON POST NO. 266, MENOMINEE.

Chartered August 2, 1884.

Membership 14.

Commander, Gilbert N. Taylor.	
<i>Delegate.</i> Andrew Gram.	<i>Alternate.</i> J. K. Pangborn.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
A. Whitehorn. Andrew Gram. A. B. BeDell. James E. Lyons. J. C. Sherman. H. O. Fifield. M. Caughey. C. H. Jones. G. N. Taylor.	P. W. Armstrong. A. W. Dill. Norwood Bowers. M. Durocher. Ira Carley. B. T. Phillips. Jesse Hubbard. J. K. Pangborn.

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

Chartered February 27, 1890.

Membership 17.

Commander, Peter W. Reeves.	
<i>Delegate.</i> *Sylvester Thomas.	<i>Alternate.</i>
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Lewis Monty. Julius Bailey. Joachim Theeck. H. Palmer.	Peter W. Reeves. John Todd. Euphrates Ross.

LUCIUS TAYLOR POST NO. 274, MILAN.

Chartered September 1, 1884.

Membership 28.

Commander, Peter Swick.	
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
John Steidler. Wesley Robison. Chas. A. Heath. *James E. Johnson.	James Delaforce. S. H. Evans. Peter Swick.

LEWIS CLARK POST NO. 275, OLIVET.

Chartered September 8, 1884.

Membership 15.

Commander, N. D. Lamphear.	
<i>Delegate.</i> Henry Remalia.	<i>Alternate.</i> Seth S. Shults.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Geo. Galusha. Lester B. Taggart. N. D. Lamphear. James H. Bosworth.	M. H. Hance. Fred Ellis. J. A. Sloan.

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

Chartered September 12, 1884.

Membership 9.

Commander, Wm. Barrett.	
<i>Delegate.</i> Alexander King.	<i>Alternate.</i> Worthy Perry.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*A. W. Dorland. *Jesse Rosebush.	*Geo. A. Allen. *William Barrett.

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AMOS E. STEELE POST NO. 280, NORTH MUSKEGON.

Chartered September 17, 1884.

Membership 7.

Commander, Samuel M. Croft. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Joseph Avery. *Past Commanders.* Geo. R. Kinsman.
 Zoar H. Bates. Sam'l M. Croft.

MORGAN PARKER POST NO. 281, PETERSBURG.

Chartered October 18, 1884.

Membership 9.

Commander, H. J. Breningstall. *Alternate.*
Delegate. A. Breningstall. J. Clafenstein.
Past Commanders. Josiah M. Elder. H. J. Breningstall.
 Jos. H. Proctor. Ferdinand Reinhart.

SAMUEL W. GRINNELL POST NO. 283, SUNFIELD.

Chartered October 23, 1884.

Membership 14.

Commander, William Edwins. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Martin Wescott. Z. B. Slater.
Past Commanders. E. W. Taylor. A. Kreamer.
 Geo. Richards. I. A. Eldred.
 B. Peabody. R. J. York.
 Wm. Edwins.

HENRY H. KNAPP POST NO. 284, DAVISON.

Chartered October 16, 1884.

Membership 23.

Commander, John Cottrell. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Jno. Regle. Jno. F. Cartwright.
Past Commanders. *L. S. McAllister. *J. Cottrell.
 Wm. M. Knapp. S. A. Comstock.
 L. G. Adams. Wm. N. Monroe.
 *A. A. Elmore. John Reeser.
 B. F. Sanford. M. H. Hewitt.

COL. STEWART POST NO. 285, TUSTIN.

Chartered October 28, 1884.

Membership 6.

Commander, J. W. Loomis. *Alternate.*
Delegate. H. M. Lamb. D. T. Jaques.
Past Commanders. R. H. Jones. J. W. Loomis.
 John Stansell.

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

Chartered November 9, 1884.

Membership 4.

Commander, C. V. Nash. *Alternate.*
Delegate. *Past Commanders.* Jas. Robinson.
 C. V. Nash.

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

Chartered December 2, 1884. Membership 11.
 Commander, Benoni LaChance.

Delegate. Geo. E. Rogers. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

Wm. P. Preston.	Wilber F. Long.
Theodore Hanann.	Patrick Kerrigan.
Andrew Chapman.	Geo. W. Marshall.
Benoni LeChance.	Gregory Lambert.
John McA. Webster.	Daniel B. Mills.

ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.

Chartered January 15, 1885. Membership 57.
 Commander, S. G. Webster.

Delegates. *A. R. Morehouse. *Alternates.*
 *D. A. Moore. Frank G. Rice.
Geo. T. Hale.

Past Commanders.

*W. A. Northrup.	E. C. Moore.
W. A. Whitney.	*M. D. Ford.
A. B. Knapp.	*L. T. Loveless.
S. G. Webster.	

SIMON MALLISON POST NO. 298, PIERPORT.

Chartered March 7, 1885. Membership 14.
 Commander, J. L. Bradford.

Delegate. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

J. L. Bradford.	L. C. Long.
C. W. Perry.	Dean A. Hull.

ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETTE.

Chartered March 7, 1885. Membership 19.
 Commander, C. E. Moore.

Delegate. John L. Van Horn. *Alternate.*
Patrick Ryan.

Past Commanders.

A. O. Kruger.	E. C. Anthony.
John Dooley.	C. E. Moore.
P. C. Beanston.	

ORIN WHITCOMB POST NO. 302, BYRON CENTER.

Chartered March 30, 1885. Membership 13.
 Commander, R. F. Hanes.

Delegate. Geo. Moorman. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

Lyman Havens.	A. M. Green.
L. L. Hickox.	R. F. Hanes.

BURSON POST NO. 303, SCHOOLCRAFT.

Chartered April 16, 1885. Membership 15.
 Commander, J. W. Caton.

Delegate. J. Gilchrist. *Alternate.*
M. S. Burson.

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Past Commanders.

John Gilchrist.
M. S. Burson.
Chas. Cronk.

*W. H. Snyder.
Frank W. Carlton.
Robert E. Johnson.

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

Chartered May 9, 1885.

Membership 10.

Delegate.

Commander, W. Harwood.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Wm. Harwood.

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

Chartered August 17, 1885.

Membership 11.

Delegate.

Commander, L. D. Wheeler.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Albert Newkirk.
L. G. Hunt.
Henry Freeman.

Ford Murch.
Peter Benwire.

ALLEN M. HARMON POST NO. 318, NORTHVILLE.

Chartered August 22, 1885.

Membership 37.

Delegate.

*Commander, Thos. Shaw.

Alternate.

B. Parmenter.

M. Van Tassell.

Past Commanders.

M. E. Johnson.
*E. K. Starkweather.
*Daniel Croft.
Andrew Houk.
C. L. Brigham.

*Geo. F. Goodell.
H. O. Waid.
*J. E. Morse.
Theo. P. Banks.

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

Chartered August 31, 1885.

Membership 10.

Delegate.

Commander, F. A. Blackman.

Alternate.

Jno. H. Freeman.

Ira D. Brooks.

Past Commanders.

N. H. Orr.
Mark Norris.

F. A. Blackman.

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

Chartered September 1, 1885.

Membership 9.

Delegate.

Commander, G. E. Harries.

Alternate.

Geo. Linegar.

Past Commanders.

Adam Craver.
Geo. Linegar.
Geo. E. Harries.

H. B. Yoxheimer.
Jno. Orrison.

WILLIAM KERBY POST NO. 323, ASHLEY.

Chartered September 14, 1885. Membership 11.

	Commander, David Duncan.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
Thos. Brown.		Albert Shaw.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
N. B. Bowker.		B. F. Pease.
David Duncan.		

W. B. STUART POST NO. 324, CRYSTAL.

Chartered September 12, 1885. Membership 8.

	Commander, Chas. Swartout.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
C. P. Pickle.		W. G. Griswold.
Chas. Swartout.		Wm. Steer.
C. N. Hunt.		Wm. Rodgers.

MYRON HAWLEY POST NO. 328, NAPOLEON.

Chartered October 1, 1885. Membership 9.

	Commander, W. R. Fuller.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
J. C. Garlinghouse.		W. H. Savage.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Murry Hess.		Wm. Drew.
J. L. Hawley.		W. R. Fuller.

COL. H. H. JEFFORDS POST NO. 330, DEXTER.

Chartered November 5, 1885. Membership 8.

	Commander, D. M. Litchfield.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
J. C. Gardiner.		Wm. Andrews.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
L. C. Rodman.		C. F. Bates.
H. H. Wilson.		L. S. Miles.

MATHEW ARTIS POST NO. 341, CASSOPOLIS.

Chartered March 10, 1886. Membership 9.

	Commander, Abner R. Byrd.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
S. Griffin.		A. B. Anderson.
	<i>Past Commander.</i>	
B. E. Curtis.		

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

Chartered March 10, 1885. Membership 9.

	Commander, James A. Troutt.	
<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
Homer W. Hodge.		E. A. Hodge.
	<i>Past Commander.</i>	
Jas. A. Troutt.		

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BILLY CRUSON POST NO. 347, BRECKENRIDGE.

Chartered March 16, 1886. Membership 27.

Commander, Joseph Brumbly.

Delegate. *A. A. Root. *Alternate.* Geo. Wood.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Weed.	J. B. Halbert.
Thos. P. Staley.	C. K. Fox.
P. P. Vannorman.	*Barney Swope.
Joseph Brumbly.	

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

Chartered March 27, 1886. Membership 22.

Commander, J. N. Clark.

Delegate. B. S. Mills. *Alternate.* Wm. Fisher.

Past Commanders.

Thomas Barnes.	H. M. Ruddy.
N. I. Kinnie.	H. S. Jenks.
J. W. Griswold.	J. N. Clark.

M. H. WHITNEY POST NO. 350, SAND LAKE.

Chartered April 9, 1886. Membership 20.

Commander, Geo. H. Godfrey.

Delegate. Reuben Farnum. *Alternate.* W. Parmer.

Past Commanders.

Geo. H. Godfrey.	James Scutt.
L. Dickerson.	

COMSTOCK POST NO. 352, MANCHESTER.

Chartered May 18, 1886. Membership 19.

Commander, T. F. Rushton.

Delegate. John A. Miller. *Alternate.* A. Deable.

Past Commanders.

James Kelley.	T. F. Rushton.
George Nisle.	R. M. Teeter.
A. A. Stringham.	G. B. Sherwood.

JAMES F. COVELL POST NO. 354, PALO.

Chartered May 16, 1886. Membership 8.

Commander, M. Greenwalt.

Delegate. *Joseph Hanchett. *Alternate.* David Steere.

Past Commanders.

B. S. Everest.	Stillman Livingston.
Chas. M. North.	Martin Greenwalt.

ROWLEY POST NO. 358, CLAYTON.

Chartered July 12, 1886. Membership 18.

Commander, H. F. Yarick.

Delegate. James Crownover. *Alternate.* E. E. Hindes.

Past Commanders.

D. H. Warren.
A. E. Terwilliger.
B. F. Rockwell.
J. H. Badgley.
W. Hawkins.

J. C. Gambree.
Jno. B. Kessler.
John Wirtz.
William Hinds.
John Murty.

KILBOURN POST NO. 361, SHERWOOD.

Chartered September 27, 1886.

Membership 17.

Commander, Henry Runyan.

Delegate.

Henry Runyan.

Alternate.

Samuel Frye.

Past Commanders.

Henry Runyan.
James Locke.
J. W. Watkins.
J. N. Watkins.

Samuel Frye.
Wm. Farrand.
Geo. B. Hass.

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

Chartered October 28, 1886.

Membership 6.

Commander, Fred Hanley.

Delegate.

D. A. Curtice.

Alternate.

S. Plew.

Past Commanders.

F. Hanley.

D. A. Curtice.

GORDON POST NO. 366, WHITE CLOUD.

Chartered July 18, 1886.

Membership 6.

Commander, Wm. Kimball.

Delegate.

Wm. Kimball.
F. M. Doty.

Alternate.

Sam Agan.

Past Commanders.

F. VEENFLEET POST NO. 368, REESE.

Chartered November 18, 1886.

Membership 6.

Commander, Thos. Gulliver.

Delegate.

John M. Weaver.

Alternate.

Clark Randall.

Past Commanders.

D. Cole.

Thos. Gulliver.

NOBLE POST NO. 369, GLADWIN.

Chartered January 3, 1887.

Membership 18.

Commander, Henry Madill.

Delegate.

Wilson Haynes.
John H. Robinson.
W. H. Kellogg.
Enoch Robbins.

Alternate.

Chas. VanVolkenburg.
*Henry Madill.
David D. Foutch.

Past Commanders.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

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

Chartered January 18, 1887.

Membership 10.

Delegate.

W. H. Gard.

Commander, Jas. E. Horton.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*B. B. Priest.
*Jas. E. Horton.
John Smith.Thos. J. Warren.
S. D. Shaffner.

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

Chartered February 3, 1887.

Membership 8.

*Delegate.*A. Turrell.
John Sherman.

Commander, Isaac Lameroux.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Isaac Lameroux.

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

Chartered March 5, 1887.

Membership 23.

Delegate.

E. Linkletter.

Commander, C. C. Judson.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*L. P. Judson.
Roswell J. Reed.
I. P. Covey.

John Higgins.

Z. E. Clark.
S. A. Davidson.
C. C. Judson.

S. R. DOWNES POST NO. 374, PARMA.

Chartered March 9, 1887.

Membership 10.

Delegate.

Elijah Soule.

Commander, A. M. Helmer.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*Geo. Schwal.
H. C. Anderson.
A. M. Helmer.

Wm. Miller.

Levi Alton.
O. A. Rogers.

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

Chartered April 1, 1887.

Membership 12.

Delegate.

Geo. Davison.

Commander, J. J. Snook.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*J. W. Eastman.
W. J. Fraser.

L. L. Frank.

A. O'Brien.
J. J. Snook.

JOHN STOCKTON POST NO. 380, NEW HAVEN.

Chartered April 23, 1887.

Membership 3.

Delegate.

Wm. Campbell.

Commander, Geo. W. Dingman.

Alternate.

W. H. Sutphin.

Past Commanders.

Geo. W. Dingman. W. H. Sutphin.

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

Chartered April 27, 1887. Membership 26.

Commander, S. M. Leigh.

Delegate.

T. J. Justice.

Alternate.

Geo. Bradish.

Past Commanders.

Wallace Lovewell.
Robt. Musgrove.
O. V. Showerman.

A. A. Walters.
S. H. Mallery.
Abel Bywatter.

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

Chartered May 19, 1887. Membership 6.

Commander, Justus Barrup.

Delegate.

A. A. Campbell.

Alternate.

Sidney Baird.

Past Commanders.

Justus Barrup.

Sidney Baird.

DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.

Chartered May 21, 1887. Membership 78.

Commander, Geo. A. Winslow.

Delegates.

*Chas. R. Evarts.
*John McVicar.

Alternates.

Chas. Creusere.
Wm. F. Hauxhurst.

Past Commanders.

Thos. A. Wadsworth.
Marvin Preston.
Oscar R. Looker.
Wm. S. Green.
Wm. T. Gage.
Arba M. Seymour.
Chas. A. Coolidge.
Jacob Bristol.
L. H. Chamberlain.
Theo. Francois.
Gus F. Smith.
W. H. Mitchell.
Geo. A. Winslow.

Frank C. Trowbridge.
Chas. G. Hampton.
Thos. S. McGraw.
Alex. W. Blain.
Oscar A. Janes.
Nicholas Woods.
Byron See.
Robert Gibbons.
G. R. Osmun.
Felix A. Lemkie.
*S. J. Lawrence.
*Riley Jones.

CHAS. GRIFFIN POST NO. 386, FARWELL.

Chartered July 21, 1887. Membership 16.

Commander, Sylvester Coon.

Delegate.

J. H. Wood.
*H. Glass.
Chas. H. Clark.

Alternate.

S. Coon.
Elisha White.

MICHIGAN POST NO. 393, DETROIT.

Chartered April 4, 1888. Membership 6.

Commander, John Boylan.

Delegate.

Julius Rocher.

Alternate.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

John Griswold.
John H. Hendley.
Julius Forkel.

Fred Kraft.
John Boylan.

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

Chartered November 15, 1888.

Membership 129.

Commander, Chas. A. Green.

Delegates.

*O. P. Coleman.
Sylvester Edson.
*Henry W. Diamond.

Alternates.

H. E. Derrin.
*Leroy Riddle.
Abraham Eddy.

Past Commanders.

C. H. Fox.
D. Z. Kline.
C. M. Runyan.
John E. L. Miller.
J. S. French.
C. A. Green.
Geo. L. Antisdell.
Jacob Swartwout.

N. Swisher.
J. R. Beardsley.
C. S. Wilson.
Jas. H. Keeney.
*Isaac Provost.
Edwin H. Stein.
Jacob Maus.
G. W. Osborn.

GEO. WARD POST NO. 398, BRANT.

Chartered January, 1889.

Membership 11.

Commander, Geo. Rivenburg.

Delegate.

P. P. Miner.

Alternate.

N. Crampton.

Past Commanders.

Michael Cummings.
N. P. Richardson.
Geo. Rivenburg.
Wm. Forbes.

D. J. Webb.
P. P. Miner.
E. D. Webber.

WOOLSEY POST NO. 399, NORTHPORT.

Chartered January 19, 1889.

Membership 12.

Commander, W. H. Porter.

Delegate.

Wm. H. Porter.
*John Thomas.
Geo. J. Krebs.

Alternate.

James Mason.
W. B. Green.
John Comstock.

*Past Commanders.***BURLINGAME POST NO. 402, AKRON.**

Chartered April 23, 1889.

Membership 10.

Commander, Geo. J. Dart.

Delegate.

R. J. Jameson.

Alternate.

W. E. Bills.

Past Commanders.

*E. G. Mathews.
John Paul.
*Geo. J. Dart.
*Leonard James.

*L. C. Wilbur.
Z. T. Hess.
*E. A. Dickey.

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

Chartered May 18, 1891. Membership 8.

Commander, Chas. Westfall.

<i>Delegate.</i> W. D. Toles.		<i>Alternate.</i> H. H. Thompson.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Chas. Westfall.		Willard Sherman.

CHAS. A. PRICE POST NO. 405, PERRINTON.

Chartered May 13, 1903. Membership 13.

Commander, Chas. Hooker.

<i>Delegate.</i> Wallace Grace.		<i>Alternate.</i> R. Luscher.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
T. B. Musser. J. L. Richard.		R. S. Cushman. Chas. Hooker.

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

Chartered June 29, 1891. Membership 25.

Commander, Chas. E. Murray.

<i>Delegate.</i> E. H. Vivey.		<i>Alternate.</i> J. W. Ridgman.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Chas. E. Murray. R. Hawley. O. B. Randall. Geo. Parry.		John H. Burgess. S. H. Camp. Jas. Taylor.

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

Chartered August 1, 1891. Membership 7.

Commander, W. W. Bishop.

<i>Delegate.</i> W. W. Bishop.		<i>Alternate.</i> John Wayman.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

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

Chartered February 19, 1892. Membership 9.

Commander, Geo. W. Butterfield.

<i>Delegate.</i> H. B. Landon.		<i>Alternate.</i> W. H. Colburn.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*M. M. Andrews. *J. W. Knaggs.		*Geo. W. Butterfield.

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

Chartered January 27, 1893. Membership 21.

Commander, Chas. Montney.

<i>Delegate.</i> James Rolls.		<i>Alternate.</i> Wm. Moore.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Chas. Montney. *Elmore Putney.		Miles Simmons.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

STEPHEN MUNGER POST NO. 425, FREELAND.

Chartered August 2, 1893. Membership 10.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Henry Manwell.	<i>Alternate.</i>
		E. G. Allen.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
	Henry Manwell. A. McGuire. Peter Doran.	*W. E. Morris. J. B. Alexander.

PLEASANTON POST NO. 429, IRONWOOD.

Chartered July 18, 1896. Membership 6.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Curtis Buck.	<i>Alternate.</i>
		<i>Past Commander.</i>
	Curtis Buck.	

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

Chartered November 18, 1896. Membership 82.

<i>Delegates.</i>	Commander, Jos. Fuller.	<i>Alternates.</i>
		A. F. Chappell. C. Pinder.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
	John Devlin. H. A. Davis.	S. A. Widrig. A. T. Strong.

McCOOK POST NO. 434, McBRIDE.

Chartered February 24, 1897. Membership 6.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, M. J. Christian.	<i>Alternate.</i>
		Geo. Park.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
	Louis Perkins.	M. J. Christian.

STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

Chartered December 31, 1897. Membership 20.

<i>Delegate.</i>	*Commander, O. H. Ohlinger.	<i>Alternate.</i>
		<i>Past Commanders.</i>
	Parker Orr.	*H. J. Northrup. *John Sayre. H. O. Call.
	*Frank Lester. J. C. Squires. *L. H. Ives.	

WASHINGTON POST NO. 444, CADILLAC.

Chartered April 14, 1898. Membership 25.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, William Steuart.	<i>Alternate.</i>
		L. C. Macy.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
	D. E. Cook. Chas. C. Dunham.	*M. D. Richardson. *A. J. Teed.

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R. H. GIBSON POST NO. 445, GOWEN.

Chartered April 29, 1898. Membership 6

Commander, C. A. Peasley.
Delegate. A. S. Watson. *Alternate.* L. Carpenter.
Past Commanders. C. A. Peasley. W. H. Allen.
 V. W. Leland.

J. B. SWEETLAND POST NO. 448, EDWARDSBURG.

Chartered July 21, 1899. Membership 8.

Commander, L. A. Allen. *Alternate.*
Delegate. *Past Commanders.* B. F. Thompson. John Jones.
 Calvin A. Steuben. William Funk.
 L. A. Allen.

GEN. I. C. SMITH POST NO. 451, REED CITY.

Chartered April 28, 1900. Membership 20.

Commander, Livingston Hall. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Samuel Wolfe. Wm. Remington.
Past Commanders. Isaac Grant. David J. Randall.
 John H. Freeland. Livingston Hall.
 Thos. Ball. Irwin Miner.
 Geo. H. Gilbert.

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

Chartered June 23, 1900. Membership 32.

Commander, C. L. Clary. *Alternate.*
Delegate. *H. M. Slick. R. Spotts.
Past Commanders. A. J. Teall. J. S. Hilton.
 Philander Karr. *Chas. L. Clary.
 Jasper Smith. A. J. Shepherd.

HARLOW PELTON POST NO. 453, KINGSTON.

Chartered July 21, 1900. Membership 12.

Commander, Walter B. Nedrey. *Alternate.*
Delegate. B. S. Franklin. V. Graves.
Past Commanders. Walter B. Nedrey. Roswell King.
 W. C. Lockwood. *J. B. Hickey.
 G. E. Parker.

JAMES A. SAXTON POST NO. 454, CENTRAL LAKE.

Chartered July 17, 1900. Membership 15.

Commander, W. H. Easton. *Alternate.*
Delegate.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

W. H. Greenman. W. H. Easton.
J. H. Hemphill.

JOHN HUNTER POST NO. 455, MONTROSE.

Chartered November 21, 1900. Membership 10.

Commander, Benj. Fisher.

Delegate.

*L. A. Bronson.

Alternate.

Jno. Barber.

Past Commanders.

*David Cross.
James H. Persons.
James E. Barnes.
*W. C. Bouck.
*G. W. England.

John W. Barber.
L. A. Bronson.
E. C. Eldred.
Benj. Fisher.
Aug. Lucke.

STANSELL POST NO. 456, SOUTH LYON.

Chartered February 22, 1901. Membership 13.

Commander, L. S. Allen.

Delegate.

E. Donovan.

Alternate.

D. H. Jones.

Past Commanders.

L. S. Allen.
L. A. Sayles.

C. Calkins.
A. C. Washburn.

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

Chartered February 9, 1903. Membership 23.

Commander, Ansel W. Walker.

Delegate.

M. T. Kinsey.

Alternate.

Wm. Martin.

Past Commanders.

Judson Doud.
C. Whitney.
Richard Baker.

Z. B. Woody.
Joshua Brown.
Ansel Walker.

GEORGE BOYD POST NO. 461, BOON.

Chartered August 8, 1903. Membership 16.

*Commander, David Hill.

Delegate.

*R. Q. Norris.

Alternate.

Jas. Mansfield.

Past Commanders.

Amos Merrill.
R. Q. Norris.
Geo. W. Wheeler.

Wm. McNitt.
Geo. Beckwith.
*B. F. Smith.

R. A. ALGER POST NO. 462, RAPID CITY.

Chartered November 2, 1907. Membership 9.

Commander, R. Towers.

Delegate.

Edward Smith.

Alternate.

Harry Smith.

Past Commanders.

Joseph Finney.
Peter Desmond.
R. J. Baldwin.

J. Riblett.
R. Towers.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: I made a partial report—about 223—fifteen or twenty minutes ago.

Department Commander Strong: We will probably get a full report in the near future. Senior Vice-Commander Davey please take the chair. Whereupon Comrade Davey occupied the chair.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

Department Commander Strong: Comrades, one year ago, at the thirty-seventh annual encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, you elected Henry C. Rankin your Department Commander, and, following the usual custom, you filled the office of Senior Vice Department Commander from the entertaining city, electing your humble servant to that position. In less than one month I was called to attend the funeral of Commander Rankin, and, in accordance with the rules of the Grand Army of the Republic, I was placed in charge of the office of Department Commander. This responsible position came to me unexpectedly and unsought, but with a startling swiftness. This determination by the grim reaper found me especially unprepared to discharge all the duties thrust upon me. I have, however, tried to perform those duties to the best of my ability and under conditions to which I was subjected. I have visited a limited number of the Posts only, and have been present at all the reunions of the regiments and battalions and celebrations. I have attended all the meetings to which I have been invited with two or three exceptions, and to those I could not respond, all these meetings being some eighteen in number. I have been received everywhere with that soulful cordiality so characteristic of the Grand Army men. I have enjoyed these meetings very much, and the cordial greetings which I have everywhere received will always be a pleasing remembrance to me. Our attendance is slightly less than it was a year ago, but this of course is to be expected. Detailed reports of the Assistant Adjutant General will show our financial standing, which I apprehend will be satisfactory, and will also show how time, the great destroyer, is dismissing our ranks.

The Grand Army of the Republic stands for patriotic instruction. I consider it the chief aim and duty of our order to use every effort in our power in advocating, in fostering, in promoting, in helping create patriotic sentiment among all men and among all women of this land and especially among the youth and rising generation. (Applause.) I recommend that this encampment appropriate the usual amount of money for our patriotic instructor. I am satisfied that it is doing a good work.

I understand that we will have a very good report from the committee which visited the Soldiers' Home. Auxiliaries and allied societies are loyal, and the different societies have, as in the past, rendered us most excellent aid and assistance. Our thanks are due and gladly given to

the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., Daughters of the G. A. R., etc., for their influence in patriotic work.

The encampment at Washington was a glorious event in every way. The capitol city was handsomely decorated; the people were enthusiastic; our Comrades marched proudly over that famous thoroughfare, Pennsylvania avenue, before the President of the United States. Our Commander-in-Chief, General Miles, and other dignitaries of the Nation, were on hand.

The death of our beloved Commander, Henry C. Rankin, cast a gloom over all the Comrades of this encampment; he was a good soldier, an exemplary citizen and a loyal Grand Army man.

In a short time, we were called upon to bury our Past Commander, Henry S. Dean, who had been among us many years. One by one, Comrades, they are leaving us. We miss their genial presence, their wise counsel, their noble influence. In closing I tender my thanks to Assistant Adjutant General, Henry Spaulding, for his faithful, prompt and kindly service. He has stood by me loyally. I wish to thank all the members of my staff and the Comrades of this Department, without naming them. They have been ready at all times to render assistance, and, my Comrades of this Department, I am a better Grand Army man for the experience I have gained. I shall not let interest wane when I go out of this office, for I shall be with you always and until the end.

Now, my Comrades, I thank you, and my only regret is that I have not been able to render you greater service.

Comrade Davey: What are you going to do with the Department Commander's report? It will be referred to the following committee: Comrades Gardner, Post 210; Chase, Post 126, and Cannon, Post 16.

Department Commander: We will listen to the report of the Senior Vice-Commander, Thomas Davey.

Senior Vice-Commander Thomas Davey: Another year and the Senior Vice-Commander is called upon to make a report. I don't know why he is called upon to do such a service, for it seems to be more of an ornamental position than anything else. However, I have tried to make a short one.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

Eli Strong, Department Commander, Michigan G. A. R.:

Commander and Comrades: I have the honor to submit to you my report as Senior Vice-Department Commander during the past year. The first duty I was called upon to do was to attend the funeral of our late Commander, Henry C. Rankin, and next the funeral of Past Department Commander, Henry S. Dean. I also, with the Assistant Adjutant General, went to Bay City to help make arrangements for this encampment. I have also attended a number of patriotic gatherings, such as the presentation of flags to the schools and churches, by those noble organizations, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies' of the G. A. R., the Daughters' of Veterans and the Daughters of the G. A. R. It seems to me a great deal of credit is due these self-sacrificing women,



THOMAS DAVEY
Senior Vice Department Commander

and they should be encouraged in that grand work by all Grand Army men.

Comrades, thanking you for the honor you conferred upon me one year ago, I remain yours in F. C. and L.

THOMAS DAVEY,
Senior Vice Department Commander.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: The report will be referred to the following committee: Comrades Holmes, Post 111; W. O. Lee, Post 98; Fred Wellington, Post 90.

Department Commander Strong: I will announce the following committees:

To carry greetings to the Woman's Relief Corps: Comrades H. Higgins, Post 48; C. P. Coffin, Post 5; W. W. Warner, Post 56.

Committee to carry greetings to the Ladies of the G. A. R.: Comrades S. B. Dixon, Post 17; L. J. Merchant, Post 21; H. P. Shutt, Post 79.

Committee for Greetings to the Sons of Veterans: Comrades E. F. Lamb, Post 17; John Bohnett, Post 32; W. H. Smith, Post 64.

Committee to carry Greetings to the Daughters of the Veterans: Comrades S. J. Lawrence, Post 384; Robert Finch, Post 5; G. T. Antisdale, Post 395.

Committee to Visit Spanish War Veterans: Comrades Washington Gardner, Post 210; E. B. Fenton, Post 384; John Seel, Post 14.

Committee to carry Greetings to the Auxiliary of Spanish War Veterans: Comrades O. A. Janes, Post 384; James Greenfield, Post 89; James Van Kleeck, Post 67.

Comrade Higgins, Post 5: I wish to say that Comrade Coffin, appointed on one of those committees, will not be here. He will not be here for it was impossible for him to leave the Soldiers' Home.

Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the Junior Vice-Department Commander, Albert Dunham.

Thereupon the Junior Vice-Commander read his report.

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 LANSING, JUNE 19, 1916.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General:

Comrade: In obedience to the requirement of the Rules and Regulations I have the honor to submit the following report as Junior Vice Department Commander:

I was elected by the Council of Administration, July 25th, 1915, and duly installed by Past Department Commander Frank R. Chase to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Comrade Davey to the position of Senior Vice Department Commander.

The duties have been light. I, with Comrades Spaulding and Gardner, attended the unveiling of a beautiful soldiers' monument at Springport, August 31, 1915. I also attended the national encampment at Washington, D. C., and, during the past winter, attended several camp-fires. Comrades, on account of age and infirmities it requires the co-operation of all to keep our organization intact. Let us keep our ranks well closed up and encourage our superior officers by attending post meetings and encampments as often as possible.

In conclusion I wish to convey to the officers and members of the department my sincere thanks for the many honors conferred on me.

Respectfully yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
 ALBERT DUNHAM,

Junior Vice Department Commander.

Department Commander: The same committee appointed to report on the report of the Senior Vice Department Commander will look after this report. We will now listen to the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, Henry Spaulding:

Thereupon Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding read his report.



ALBERT DUNHAM
Junior Vice Department Commander

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 LANSING, MICH., JUNE 19, 1916.

Eli Strong, Department Commander:

Comrade: I have the honor of submitting herewith my detailed report of the operations of the Assistant Adjutant General's office of this department for the year ending December 31, 1915:

		MEMBERSHIP.		Posts. Members.	
Number in good standing December 31, 1914.....				267	7452
		Posts. Members.			
Gains—	By muster in.....		72		
	By transfer.....		42		
	By reinstatement.....		80		
	Total gain.....		194		194
	Aggregate.....			267	7646
Losses—	By death.....		301		
	By honorable discharge.....		7		
	By transfer.....		23		
	By suspension.....		46		
	Total loss.....		377		377
	Aggregate.....			267	7269
Number in good standing June 30, 1915.....		Posts. Members.		267	7269
Gains—	By Muster in.....	1	101		
	By transfer.....		52		
	By reinstatement.....		63		
	By reinstatement from delinquent reports.....		19		
	Total gain.....	1	235	1	235
	Aggregate.....			268	7504
Losses—	By death.....		272		
	By honorable discharge.....		10		
	By transfer.....		38		
	By suspension.....		123		
	By delinquent reports.....		45		
	By surrender of charter.....	5	25		
	Total loss.....	5	513	5	513
	Number in good standing December 31, 1915.....			263	6995

This gives us a representation in the Fiftieth National Encampment of 24 delegates, as follows: One delegate at large, and twenty-three delegates, and one alternate at large, and twenty-three alternates.

The gain in membership from all sources during the year 1915 was 429. The loss during the year was 890, this makes a total loss to the Department of 461; the loss by death during the year was 573.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Receipts.

Per capita tax from Posts, first term, 1915	\$905 00	
Per capita tax from Posts, second term, 1915	874 72	
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Total for the year		\$1,779 72
Supplies, first term	\$45 63	
Supplies, second term	54 11	
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Total for the year		99 74
From other sources, first term	\$10 00	
From other sources, second term	76 50	
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Total for the year		86 50
Interest on deposits, first term	\$106 94	
Interest on deposits, second term	125 00	
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Total interest		231 94
Total receipts for year		<hr/>
		\$2,197 90
Disbursements during the year	\$2,222 63	

Recapitulation.

Total expense during the year	\$2,222 63
Total receipts during the year	2,197 90
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Expense exceeds receipts	\$24 73.

Commander, I thank you for the honor you conferred upon me by appointing me Assistant Adjutant General, and trust that I have discharged the duties to your entire satisfaction; it has been my aim so to do.

To my Comrades of the department: I wish to thank you all for kindness shown me in helping along the work of our noble order—let us all stand shoulder to shoulder and help to keep alive the Grand Army of the Republic, which has done so much for us.

Fraternally yours in F. C. and L.,

HENRY SPAULDING,

Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R.



HENRY SPAULDING
Assistant Adjutant General

EXHIBIT A.

Lansing, Mich., June 19, 1916.

Inventory of supplies:

2 sets rituals and cards.....	\$1 00
5 sets officers' cards.....	50
10 service books.....	1 50
20 rules and regulations.....	1 00
50 odes.....	50
100 applications.....	80
14 discharges.....	35
25 badges membership.....	8 75
100 rank straps.....	12 50
200 badge ribbons.....	6 50
50 buttons.....	3 50
3 electrotypes 1, 2 and 3.....	1 05
20 Q. M. receipt books.....	5 00
2 order books on Q. M.....	50
50 books, Adjutant's roll call.....	5 50
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	\$49 35

EXHIBIT B.

Inventory of Department property:

One silk flag, U. S.....	\$25 00
One Union Jack.....	8 00
One Department banner.....	10 00
One L. C. Smith typewriter.....	25 00
One letter scale.....	50
One Department seal.....	2 00
One numbering machine.....	5 00
One letter press.....	50
Two frames for Past Department Commanders, photographs.....	12 00
One registration rack.....	2 00
Two U. S. bunting flags.....	3 50
One silver loving cup.....	
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	\$93 50

Department Commander: I will announce the following committees:
 Committee on Resolutions: Comrades Lawrence, Post 384, Kanitz, Post 7; Jones, Post 38.

Committee on Adjutant General's report: Comrades F. R. Chase, Post 126; C. N. Jackson, Post 75; M. M. Andrews, Post 419.

Committee on Judge Advocate's report: Comrades R. A. Parker, Post 17; E. R. Havens, Post 42; O. A. Janes, Post 384.

Committee on Department Chaplain's report: Comrades W. F. Lawton, Post 170; L. H. Ives, Post 441; H. E. Clark, Post 382.

Committee on Medical Director's report: Comrades Oscar Palmer, Post 240; J. R. Stephenson, Post 5; Allen Shattuck, Post 42.

Committee on Chief Mustering Officer's report: Comrades G. Van Schelven, Post 262; Barnett, Post 78; Wheaton, Post 31.

Committee on Patriotic Instructor's report: Comrades L. A. L. Gilbert, Post 67; L. G. Rafter, Post 27; M. D. Richardson, Post 444.

Committee on Soldiers' Home: Comrades Jos. Seaman, Post 38; John A. Miller, Post 395; A. L. Bryant, Post 255.

Assistant Adjutant General: There is one thing further. There is always a little exception showing the inventory of supplies. We have on hand two sets of rituals and cards, etc.

Department Commander: The Assistant Adjutant General's report

is to be referred to the committee as read, Comrades Chase, Dickinson and Andrews.

Department Commander: The Assistant Quartermaster General's report.

Whereupon Comrade Lester gave his report as follows:

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, G. A. R.,
MASON, MICH., JUNE 19, 1916.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General:

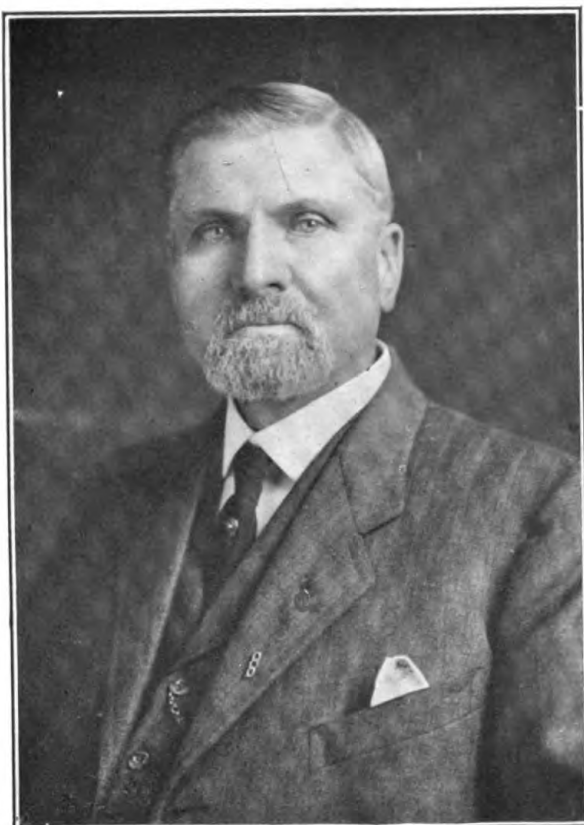
Comrade: I have the honor to submit the following report regarding the finances of this department:

RECEIPTS.

Received from Comrade Dunham, balance on hand at last report:		
Alger fund	\$1,000 00	
W. R. C. fund	745 61	
General fund	3,671 69	
	<hr/>	\$5,417 30
Assistant Adjutant General	\$1,909 46	
Rebate, Washington Headquarters	56 50	
Interest	231 94	
	<hr/>	2,197 90
Total		<hr/> \$7,615 20

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Assistant Adjutant General, salary and expenses	\$844 68
Paid Assistant Quartermaster, salary	50 00
Paid Department Patriotic Instructor, expense	50 00
Paid per capita tax, National Headquarters	249 60
Paid expense National Encampment	248 82
Paid drum corps, National Encampment	150 00
Paid C. D. R. Stowits, supplies	73 58
Paid postage and box rent	100 43
Paid printing	178 50
Paid premium on bonds	15 00
Paid reporter, 37th Department Encampment	50 00
Paid Past Department Commander's badge	35 00
Paid compiling Journal, 37th Encampment	50 00
Paid per capita tax, delinquent Posts	41 27
Paid expenses Council of Administration and committee	21 99
Paid Henry Spaulding, expense of mustering Dowagiac Post	10 00
Paid Department Chaplain, expense	3 32
Paid supplies, telegrams, express, etc	50 44
Total	<hr/> \$2,222 63



FRANK LESTER
Assistant Quartermaster General

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

BALANCE ON HAND.

Alger fund.....	\$1,000 00
W. R. C. fund.....	723 03
General fund.....	3,669 54
Total.....	\$5,392 57

A detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements is appended to this report.

I desire to express my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me by the Department Commander and to thank you for your uniform courtesy.

All of which is respectfully submitted, yours in F. C. and L.,
FRANK LESTER,
 Assistant Quartermaster General.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS.

1915.		
July 23,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	\$811 51
July 26,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	9 25
Sept. 3,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	95 94
Sept. 18,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	43 93
Oct. 1,	from rebate on Washington Headquarters.....	56 50
Nov. 27,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	35 89
Dec. 20,	from Standard Savings & Loan Association, interest.....	106 94
Dec. 28,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	21 66
Dec. 28,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	65 54
1916.		
Jan. 8,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	546 43
Jan. 12,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	114 05
Jan. 28,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	89 69
Feb. 23,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	55 16
Mar. 28,	from Assistant Adjutant General.....	20 41
June 12,	from Standard Savings & Loan Association, interest.....	125 00
		\$2,197 90

DETAILED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS.

Voucher		
1915.		
June 28	28 1 Paid C. D. R. Stowits, supplies.....	\$44 38
June 29	29 2 Paid Henry Spaulding, expenses 37th Encampment.....	15 27
June 30	30 3 Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 67
June 30	30 4 Paid P. F. Gray, postage and box rent.....	15 00
July 6	6 5 Paid D. J. Wilson, drafting Wyckoff resolutions.....	4 50
July 8	8 6 Paid Allen & DeKleine, printing.....	7 00
July 8	8 7 Paid G. Fred Corson, reporting 37th Encampment.....	50 00
July 16	16 8 Paid Henry Spaulding, funeral Commander Rankin.....	9 64
July 16	16 9 Paid Henry Spaulding, office expense.....	6 56
July 22	22 10 Paid Eli Strong, R. R. fare, meeting Council of Administration.....	3 50
July 22	22 11 Paid Thos. Davey, R. R. fare, meeting Council of Administration.....	3 50
July 22	22 12 Paid W. H. Morgans, R. R. fare, meeting Council of Administration.....	3 84
July 22	22 13 Paid Geo. Raab, R. R. fare, meeting Council of Administration.....	2 95
July 22	22 14 Paid Henry Spaulding, R. R. fare, meeting Council of Administration.....	3 70
July 28	28 15 Paid C. D. R. Stowits, supplies.....	2 25
July 27	27 16 Paid Umbdenstock & Co., supplies.....	7 00
July 27	27 17 Paid J. K. Davison's Sons, past department commander's badge.....	35 00

		Voucher No.		
1915.				
July	28	18	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary and supplies.....	\$67 61
Aug.	7	18½	Paid C. D. R. Stowits, per capita tax.....	127 20
Aug.	12	19	Paid P. F. Gray, postage.....	9 50
Aug.	21	20	Paid Henry Spaulding, compiling Journal.....	50 00
Aug.	23	21	Paid Allen & DeKleine Co., printing.....	8 75
Aug.	23	22	Paid Henry Spaulding, supplies.....	2 69
Aug.	27	23	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 67
Aug.	25	24	Paid Dyer, Jenison Barry Co., bonds.....	15 00
Aug.	26	25	Paid Henry Spaulding, expense to Dowagiac (from W. R. C. fund).....	10 00
Sept.	3	26	Paid Allen & DeKleine, printing.....	45 75
Sept.	7	27	Paid P. F. Gray, postage.....	13 00
Sept.	20	28	Paid Henry Spaulding, office expense (from W. R. C. fund).....	3 40
Sept.	20	29	Paid Henry Spaulding, per capita tax delinquent Posts.....	21 66
Sept.	20	30	Paid Henry Spaulding, expense to Washington.....	35 00
Sept.	20	31	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 66
Sept.	22	32	Paid A. B. Chapin, drum corps.....	150 00
Sept.	22	33	Paid Henry Spaulding, postage and box rent.....	5 16
Sept.	21	34	Paid Henderson-Ames Co., badges and ribbon.....	65 32
Oct.	1	35	Paid Metropolitan Hotel, department headquarters.....	180 00
Oct.	27	36	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 67
Oct.	28	37	Paid Henry Spaulding, telegrams, postage.....	6 29
Oct.	28	38	Paid Allen & DeKleine, printing.....	5 25
Nov.	1	39	Paid P. F. Gray, postage.....	7 00
Nov.	4	40	Paid Allen & DeKleine, printing.....	11 00
Nov.	26	41	Paid Henry Spaulding, office supplies.....	6 35
Nov.	27	42	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 66
Dec.	7	43	Paid Allen & DeKleine, printing.....	9 75
Dec.	10	44	Paid Henry Spaulding, postage and supplies.....	3 91
Dec.	28	45	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 66
1916.				
Jan.	6	46	Paid P. F. Gray, postage and box rent.....	10 00
Jan.	7	47	Paid Allen & DeKleine, printing.....	8 75
Jan.	7	48	Paid Henry Spaulding, postage and supplies.....	5 76
Jan.	10	49	Paid Wynkoop, Hallenbeck, Crawford Co., printing.....	10 00
Jan.	11	50	Paid C. D. R. Stowits, supplies.....	13 45
Jan.	17	51	Paid P. F. Gray, postage.....	15 00
Jan.	24	52	Paid C. D. R. Stowits, supplies.....	1 50
Jan.	28	53	Paid Henry Spaulding, postage.....	1 80
Jan.	28	54	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 67
Jan.	28	55	Paid Frank Lester, Assistant Q. M. General, six months' salary.....	25 00
Feb.	14	56	Paid C. D. R. Stowits, per capita tax.....	122 40
Feb.	2	57	Paid C. D. R. Stowits, supplies.....	2 50
Feb.	18	58	Paid H. Spaulding, per capita tax delinquent Posts (from W. R. C. fund).....	7 46
Feb.	23	59	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 66
Mar.	4	60	Paid Allen & DeKleine Co., printing.....	1 25
Mar.	28	61	Paid H. Spaulding, per capita tax delinquent Posts, (from W. R. C. fund).....	12 15
Mar.	28	62	Paid H. Spaulding, supplies.....	4 83
Mar.	29	63	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 66
April	14	64	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 68
April	22	65	Paid P. F. Gray, postage.....	3 70
April	25	66	Paid M. C. Barney, expense.....	50 00
May	1	67	Paid Henry Spaulding, supplies.....	4 15
May	26	68	Paid Henry Spaulding, supplies and expense to Bay City.....	4 11
May	11	69	Paid P. F. Gray, postage.....	10 00
May	26	70	Paid Henry Spaulding, salary.....	66 66
May	26	71	Paid Frank Lester, Asst. Q. M. Gen., six months' salary.....	25 00
May	29	72	Paid C. D. R. Stowits, supplies.....	9 50
June	5	73	Paid Allen & DeKleine Co., printing and supplies.....	64 00
June	9	74	Paid Samuel Heininger, Chaplain, expense.....	3 32
				\$2,222 63



DR. ROBERT LeBARRON
Medical Director.

Department Commander: Comrades, you have heard the announcement of the committees. If the chairmen will come and get these reports so they can look them over and pass upon them when we meet again, or even today, if possible, it will help us along very materially.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

Comrades: As I said to you last year, the duty of the Medical Director has been taken from him; that it was his duty, at one time, to report upon the death of all Comrades during the year, and as I have not had the pleasure of prescribing for you, consequently I have no report. (Laughter.)

I want to remind you of a little incident that happened at Kalamazoo. You know Kalamazoo was rather a dry town; that is, in one respect. You don't know that one of your Comrades came very near losing his life. He was so thirsty that he sent a messenger to me, and the messenger said he wanted me to write out a prescription for him and I did so. The messenger could not get the prescription filled at the drug store and I was sent for in great haste and I went there and found him in bad condition. I used a stomach tube, and after drawing off about four gallons of water, Kalamazoo water, and injecting the fluid which he was used to, he soon became himself again. I had the pleasure of prescribing for some of my Comrades.

I will speak of a little incident that happened when I was in Washington. In the fall of 1863 we were encamped at Ballington Station, Virginia. It was in November or December of that year. They made a raid upon our headquarters. My horse was saddled and I got astride of him. We finally got there all right. I found one man who had been shot through the cheek; another one had been wounded, the bullet having gone just below the clavicle, or collar bone, and passed through, for I remember I took some cloth off where it passed through. I never had met a member of the Black Horse Cavalry until the encampment at Washington. I had been down to the Navy Yard and I was on my way back. I saw a gentleman standing in front of a door. I stepped up to him; got into conversation with him, and asked him what branch of the service he belonged to. He told me that he was a member of the Black Horse Cavalry. "The Black Horse Cavalry," I said, "Why, by the way, the Black Horse Cavalry made a raid upon our brigade headquarters in the fall of 1863." Why I remember it; I was there. He said that he had everything arranged and all came to the last guard and he was a young fellow and he said he had his gun up and was going to fire. We thought we would get in our work first; and that was the result of those fellows, you know, the wounded men that I saw was the result he said of having the young man there.

When we were in camp in June, 1863, our boys were paid off. Some of them wanted to send their money home, and our Chaplain was detailed to take the money down to an express agency. The understanding was that he was to follow the wagon trains. The wagon train went

too slow for him and so he went on ahead. He got three-quarters of a mile ahead of the wagon train and some fellows came up from behind; the orderly surrendered. He wanted to know by whose authority. He said "By the authority of Pat and Moses." Instead of his surrendering he got away from him. They fired. One ball went between the bones of the ribs and another ball passed under the shoulder blade, but he got away. That is an instance, you know, where the Chaplain would have been a suicide.

Now, I like to meet all the boys in blue who were in the service. At this very moment the greatest war in the history of the world is going on, and you know that there are a great many advocates of peace. There are three who are more prominent than any others that I know of. One a man who lives in Rome, Italy, a man who is aspiring for political preferment, and claims to be the greatest exponent of peace the world ever saw; another the "automobile king" whose head has been turned on account of his wealth; and another factor, who until recently has been a cabinet officer of the present administration, a man who turned traitor to his country, a man opposed to preparedness, but in favor of peace at any price. I want to ask you, Comrades, do you fight for that kind of peace? If Mr. Lincoln had been surrounded by that class of men there is no knowing what might have happened, but he had loyal men around him. (Applause.)

Department Commander: This report will be referred to the proper committee which has already been named. The Department Chaplain has not his report with him, so we will have to return to it later.

Department Commander: The Judge Advocate's report.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: No report sent in.

Department Commander: The report of the Chief Mustering Officer, Dean La Banta, Post 48, of Jackson.

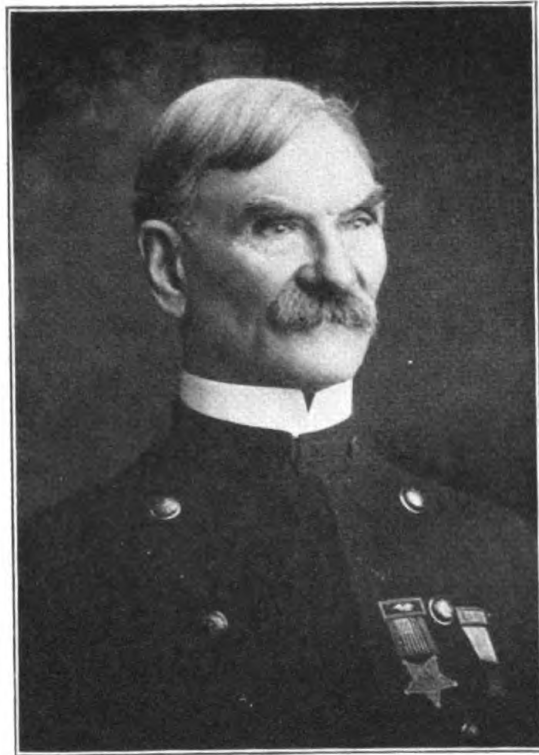
Whereupon the report of the Chief mustering Officer was read.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan, G. A. R.:

Dear Sir and Comrade: You will recall that with yourself and one or two other officials on the staff, I had the honor to be appointed by two Department Commanders. First, immediately after his election as Department Commander by the late lamented Henry C. Rankin, his death occurring before the staff was complete, and later was commissioned Chief Mustering Officer by the present Department Commander.

From the lowest officer in the Post to the Commander-in-Chief, the honor of being selected for an office in the Grand Army of the Republic is unique and calls for the highest appreciation. So it is deplorably sad that less and less is to do, especially in the staff positions. Notably has this been the case in that of Department Inspector and Chief Mustering Officer. This year, however, it has been the department's good fortune to have added another Post.



DEAN LABANTA
Chief Mustering Officer

Shortly after my appointment it became evident that a patriotic fire might yet flame up from the dead embers of a Post that had become extinct. A new inspiration and effort to this end was shaping in Dowagiac, resulting in the formation of the new Post, and I received orders to proceed to Dowagiac and muster it in; thus it has happened that the office of Chief Mustering Officer this year has not been a sinecure.

On the 28th day of August last, agreeably accompanied by the Assistant Adjutant General, and who later favored me in the installing, by acting as Officer of the Day, I had the honor to muster in what perhaps is the Post last to be installed in the G. A. R. in this department, B. H. Reutter Post No. 47, this being the same name and number of the former Post.

Some thirty members were enrolled at the time with a complete list of Post officers. Comrade John Bilderbeck being elected Commander. Only two other Posts have been organized in the last four years, both in 1913.

We were very hospitably received by Dowagiac citizens who seemed to feel that two soldiers indeed were their guests. As per department rules, the transportation for the Chief Mustering Officer was paid by the Post.

Speaking of soldiers, I wish to add a word regarding the soldier character. I have never been quite in harmony with the rank and file of the Grand Army in sacrificing its training and military experience physically to the duties, cares and labor of civil life. We are well aware that the average years of our life is over 70, still, it seems to me, that the veterans generally are unnecessarily yielding to the paths of least resistance and tending to "flowery beds of ease."

We have all been soldiers and we never should have lost our military spirit or bearing. A soldier from the cradle, instinctively, from the broomstick gun and prancing steed, and from 18 to 21, three years in the civil war and for a number of years holding commissions in the New York National Guard in New York City, at the same time sharing the work of civil life, it has ever been my purpose and pride to make standard the soldier character in men as the truest and finest of American manhood, and I have aimed to instill in my associates, officers and men, that *esprit de corps* and high morale that should characterize the soldier body.

It must not be forgotten, in this connection, that the constitution of the United States demands that every able-bodied man between certain ages must bear arms, if called on, in defense of his country. While yet not far distant from the war, almost universally was maintained the military spirit and activities. I recall many an early encampment where nearly all were uniformed and engaged in sham battles and extensive maneuvers. Many Posts have remained uniformed. Hilliard Post, No. 27, of Chicago, organized in 1875, of which I was a charter member, was uniformed, carried swords and drilled regularly.

I recognize the fell work of the half century, yet I feel we have let ourselves down woefully from the American soldier standard no less in our feeling than in our bodies.

This is not meant as a criticism but rather a commentary, individually, on the Grand Army.

Pardon just a word further that with all our defects, I may pat Michigan on the back for its appearance in the last great parade down Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, during the last national encampment. Detailed by Chief-of-Staff Chase, who was mounted, to head the rank and file of the Michigan contingent, it was with pride when looking back through the column, marching in open order, was seen the old time swing and easy stride, the rhythmic movement betokening something of the old time war spirit, that made Michigan second to none in the line. This was the comment of many.

I beg pardon for having taxed your indulgence, perhaps beyond reason.

Yours in F. C. and L.,
DEAN LA BANTA,
Chief Mustering Officer.

Department Commander: The report of the Chief Mustering Officer will be referred to the committee already named.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, I want to drop a few words right here in regard to Dowagiac, not as a report, but I want to say that the Comrades, with their loyal friends, about four weeks ago organized a Relief Corps there with fifty members. (Great applause.)

Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the Patriotic Instructor, Comrade M. C. Barney.

Comrade M. C. Barney: I thought I had already been called upon. Comrade Rankin and I had been such good friends and worked together that that was the reason I served you last year as Patriotic Instructor to the best of my ability. I want to read aloud my report so that you may all hear it.

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT.

DETROIT, MICH., JUNE 19, 1916.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic:

Dear Sir and Comrade: It becomes my duty as Department Patriotic Instructor to report for the year just closing as follows:

I sent out instructions to each Patriotic Instructor, then to all Commanders of Posts giving instructions as follows:

DUTIES OF POST PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTORS.

- (1) To see the United States flag, of suitable official size, waves over or at every schoolhouse during the school session, weather permitting. Sec. 4802 Compiled Laws of Michigan. An act to provide for the

purchase and display of United States flags in connection with the public school buildings within the state.

SECTION 1. The People of the State of Michigan enact, that the board of education or the board of school trustees in the several cities, townships, villages and school districts of this State shall purchase a United States flag of a size not less than four feet two inches by eight feet, and made of good flag bunting; a flag staff, and necessary appliances therefor, and shall display said flag upon or near the public school building during school hours and at such times as to the said board may seem proper; and that the necessary funds to defray the expenses to be incurred herein shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as moneys for public school purposes are assessed and collected by law.

(2) To strive to have the salute to the flag as part of the curriculum of every grade of every public school.

This simple salute is given: "I give my head and my heart to God and my Country, one Country, one Language, one Flag."

Show the public that we have a mission. Write your Department Patriotic Instructor on any matter you do not understand, as to how best to forward the work intrusted to you.

It is suggested that school speaking generally be on subjects connected with the civil or revolutionary war.

The 41st National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic adopted the following resolutions: "That it is the sense of the encampment that Lincoln's Gettysburg address be, in some form, placed in every school and public building throughout the land."

Co-operation with G. A. R., the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies' of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sons of Veterans, Daughters of Veterans, Sons of Veterans Auxiliary, Spanish War Veterans and other Patriotic bodies will help you in your work. The press will gladly assist you. Give them all possible information for the purpose of spreading patriotism.

National patriotic days when colors should be flown, are: February 12th—Lincoln's Birthday. February 22d—Washington's Birthday. Born February 22, 1732; died December 14, 1799. May 30th—Memorial Day.

"Side by side the boys are lying
In their low and narrow tents,
And no battle cry shall wake them
And no orders call them hence.

"They who for a trembling nation,
In her hour of peril bled,
Lie in these her days of triumph,
With the army of the dead."

June 14th—Flag Day. This day, in 1777, marked the adoption of the stars and stripes as our national emblem. July 4th—Independence Day. A glorious, an immortal day.

The above are strictly patriotic days.

Due respect to the flag requires its hoisting at sunrise and its lowering at sunset, and that it should not be kept afloat during inclement weather or after the sun goes down. On Memorial Day the flag should be flown at half staff until noon, when it should be raised to full staff, which action can be made very effective by some form of ceremony on the part of the Post.

Since the institution of the office, Patriotic Instructors have implanted a purer patriotism in the minds and hearts of the people, until the

heart throb of love for our country is shown by the flying of the glorious ensign of the republic from the schoolhouses and other buildings of every state; and by the inculcation of the higher ideals of human brotherhood the relation of the strong to the weak is being more accurately adjusted than ever before; the forces which combine for the good of all mankind are more potent and persistent. Patriotic teaching includes all that pertains to good citizenship, all that is worthy and of good repute. Your work is not unappreciated, for in general orders from headquarters, Grand Army of the Republic, and in reports of staff officers, the office of Patriotic Instructor is recognized as one of the most important and useful of Grand Army work.

The above was sent to every Patriotic Instructor of Michigan and to all Commanders that had not made appointments. 116 Posts did not appoint Patriotic Instructors; 134 appointed such instructors.

Seven hundred and seven schools have been visited by Comrades and W. R. C. Patriotic Instructor, Comrade Tucker, of Poe Post, Detroit, with the help of Past Commander Wiedrick, belonging in the same Post, had the champion report of the state. He presented more than 600 flags to the children on Memorial Day and Flag Day. Comrades all over the state report more interest this year than in previous years.

Lincoln's Gettysburg address has been given more generally in schools and by school children than ever before. More children have taken part this last year in patriotic exercises than ever before. More than 20,000 children helped to decorate soldiers' graves. So you see, Comrades, we are leaving this work in good hands.

I, myself, have given addresses on all patriotic days and several at different schools, the banner school of all was at Pontiac. In the high school building more than 700 children, from 12 to 18, heard me give "Marching Through Georgia."

I must call your attention to a day at Ecorse last fall at the presentation of the flag by the Daughters of the Veterans, where I went and gave a talk to the whole school on the lawn, mostly Polocks, Swedes, and Hungarians. I never stood before such an enthusiastic and patriotic lot of children before. I said then this country is safe in the hands of foreigners if Americanized and became interested in our flag and find out what it stands for.

I tell you Comrades, we are making the flag every day of our lives and by eternal vigilance we will obliterate every spot and stain in this beautiful land of ours that is liable to cast its shadow upon our beautiful emblem of liberty, and may God grant the time shall come when every man, woman, and child of this great world of ours shall look up to this noble and grand emblem of ours, Old Glory, and call it blessed; all that have stood by it and under it in times of war shall have the praise and sanction of this entire world of ours. This closes the most satisfactory year of all my work as Patriotic Instructor, receiving reports from nearly one-half of the Posts in the State.

I wish to thank Comrade Spaulding for his kindness in helping to carry out the work of your patriotism.

Yours in F. C. and L.,
M. C. BARNEY,
Department of Patriotic Instruction.

Department Commander: The report of the Patriotic Instructor will be referred to the committee already named.

Comrade Barney: I want to put you in mind of this. At four o'clock in the afternoon tomorrow we meet for patriotic instructors work. I would like to see you all present. We want to talk over the patriotic blank. It is hard for any one to study. We can all give each other good ideas on this work. Don't forget tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock at the Grand Army Hall, whether you are patriotic instructors or not. Every Commander of every post should be present at this meeting and let us talk it over. I want to tell you Comrades, if you were Patriotic Instructors of the State of Michigan one minute, and saw the duty entailed with the children, you would spend every minute of your lives to help those children to love the flag. Now, Comrades, let us think it over. Come tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock to that meeting. It is the grandest work in Michigan. (Applause.)

Department Commander: We will now have the Department Inspector's report.

Comrade L. H. Ives: Most of the report has been made out while I have been in this very hall. I was appointed to the position of Inspector of the Department. I have performed every duty that has been required at the hands of the Commander. This is the first one which I have neglected. (Laughter.)

We have arrived at the gate, Comrades, when we are cutting out the frills. We have come to the time when we don't feel it necessary to go through all the maneuvers that we used to in the early history of the order; in fact, they were all right once, but in these later years, it seems to me, we do cut many of these things out. These have come with the changes of the years and they will perhaps be more perceptible as the years go by. Now, I would suggest that the incoming administration, in selecting an inspector, that the Department Commander appoint the best-looking man in the Department, because it is purely a matter of ornamentation, and, in order to add dignity to the Department, I would suggest that he get a good looking fellow for the job. Now, my associations with the ladies during the past year, have been most pleasant, but, of course, this is no exception to the rule. I am so constituted that somehow or other I enjoy the association of the ladies as I always have. In this form of report I give way to my successor, assuring him that the Grand Army of the Republic will be very glad to welcome him and will say good bye to him if he will fill the position in a satisfactory manner. I thank you.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: I like to hear a man advocate his own importance.

Comrade Ives: It is all right.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, there is a report of the Committee to visit the Soldiers' Home. It is here; sent by the chairman of that committee. I would ask if there is any of the committee here, Comrades Stevenson or Miner?

Comrade Miner responded.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: Please take this report and read it.

Comrade Miner: My voice is not very strong. I will ask the Assistant Adjutant General to read the report if he will.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: I will do the best I can.
Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding reads the report of the Committee to Visit the Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO VISIT THE SOLDIERS' HOME AT GRAND RAPIDS.

JUNE 9, 1916.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding:

Dear Sir and Comrade: The committee appointed to visit the Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids, Mich., report as follows:

The committee met at the Pantlind Hotel on Tuesday, May 23, and were taken by Col. McGurrin, the Commandant, with his auto, to the Home. We were taken in the auto around the grounds and the oak grove, the cemetery and the various places where the inmates are free to go to amuse themselves, enjoy themselves, or rest in the shade or sun. We were also taken around the various buildings outside, and in this way we had a much better view of the whole grounds of the Home than we could otherwise have had.

Returning to the main building, we were taken by Col. McGurrin to the office of the Adjutant, who had just completed the daily morning report of the members of the Home, showing Comrades sick in the hospital department, 145; not in hospital or reported fit for duty, 624; making 769; and 283, who were absent on leave, as many are during the summer season, making a total number of Comrades, 1,052. Women in the hospital were 68, those ready for duty 90, and on leave of absence 76; making total number of women 234; with the male inmates making 1,286 at the home. The whole number of inmates since the first opening of the Home in September, 1885, to May 23, 1916, is 10,001.

We were next taken through the various offices and departments of the main building, where we found everything in fine condition, clean, well ventilated, and showing that careful attention is given by all who have charge of the different rooms. We next visited the men's dining room, the cook room and the refrigerator, where all meats, with milk, butter and eggs and such foods or canned goods as need to be kept cool are most carefully preserved. We were told that since Col. McGurrin had established such rooms here and at the annex there had not been an item of loss of any of the things kept in them.

Very careful attention is given to the work in the kitchen, cook and dining rooms, in both the men's and the annex departments. The Quartermaster also showed where were stored various articles used for food, such as flour, sugar, vegetables, fruits, and so on, for daily use. All these were kept clean and in good order.

We were also taken by the Surgeon, Dr. Raab, through the hospital departments of the men and also the women. While some were confined to their beds, yet the greater number were able to be up and around their rooms, looking out of the windows and doors and enjoying the

fine scenery of springtime. Some, both men and women, are received with temporary complaints that are soon relieved, so that they can be around again, but much the larger number in these hospitals are so nearly worn out or exhausted by age and other chronic and debilitating conditions that they are mostly waiting for the last roll call.

The new ladies' dormitory was completed and occupied in December last. It contains 62 rooms and is occupied by the women employees. Each room is well furnished with bed, stand, and all things that are needed to make it comfortable and homelike, and where each one can rest and be free from the care and often annoying conditions of their daily duties.

We also visited the bakery and laundry and found them in good condition and being carefully handled.

Opportunity was given to the Comrades and women in their various departments to express their needs or wishes in regard to their needs or how they liked their existing conditions and no one seemed to be dissatisfied or was inclined to find fault. All seemed to be well pleased with the Home and the administration of its affairs. At the woman's annex we are told that by the end of this year, if members should continue to come as they have the past year, the building would be crowded and an addition might be needed or accommodations furnished elsewhere.

An auto truck seems to be much needed at the Home for various purposes. We were well pleased with the conditions in the various departments and we commend Col. McGurrin and the officers and inmates of the various departments for their faithful and efficient services at the Home.

Signed,

FREEMAN HALL,
J. R. STEPHENSON,
W. G. MINER.

At the completion of the report hearty applause was given.

Comrade Miner, Post 132: If I understand correctly, the whole number of occupants up to a certain date was seven thousand. Is that correct?

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: Seven thousand and one.

Comrade Miner: It should have been 10,001.

Department Commander: The report will be referred to the committee already named.

Comrade Janes, Post 384: It was the practice in the national encampment until two years ago to refer the report of a standing committee to a committee of that encampment to make report thereon. It was discussed and said that a committee that reported, a standing committee, that made investigations had made its report to the body creating it, that it was the duty of the encampment to receive the report and not refer it to a sub-committee who knew nothing about it. This report does not require any recommendations and it is the report of a standing committee and you are referring it to a sub-committee here who does not know anything about it. I, therefore, move that the report on the Soldiers' Home be received and adopted.

This motion was unanimously carried.

Comrade Barney, Post 145: I want to say a few words here. I want to say to you that you are twenty dollars richer than what you have a report here. Now, these are my expenses. I received fifty dollars from the State. My expenses were \$2.20; postage stamps, \$10.00; printing cards, printing the matter which I send and envelopes, \$16.00, and going to Pontiac and returning, \$1.80, leaving twenty dollars. Here is my check for twenty dollars, so that you may all realize where your money has gone, so you are twenty dollars better off than you thought you were.

Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert: This evening, at 7:30 o'clock, the Woman's Relief Corps hold a campfire for the children in the Westminister Presbyterian Church in West Bay City. They would be very much pleased if some of the comrades and many of them would come over there to that camp fire. They present a flag to the Western High School during the exercises. They are right on the car line. All cars passing the Wenonah Hotel pass by the church or very near it. One line passes directly in front of the church and the other within a couple of blocks of it. Remember it is this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Westminister Presbyterian Church in West Bay City, over the bridge, the Third Street bridge. There will be a reception in this Armory tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock, to be followed by a general campfire at 8 o'clock. We all hope you will give it your attention and be present at both places. I am sure you will be pleased.

Assistant Adjutant General: Do the committees want these reports?

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, inasmuch as there was no report, no written report, only a few words, and no recommendations, I move that the report of the Inspector be adopted without reference.

Unanimously carried.

Department Commander: I am inclined to believe that there are more of these reports which can be dispensed with in the same way.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: I move you that the report of the Medical Director be adopted without reference.

This motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Comrade George Raab, Post 145: I do not see any reason for referring any report to any special committee that does not embody any recommendations of some kind or other for this encampment to act upon. I don't see why these reports without any recommendations cannot be adopted at once.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: I move you that the reports of the Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders be adopted without reference to the committees.

Seconded and unanimously carried.

Comrade George Raab, Post 145: The Council of Administration are ready now with their report if you are ready to receive it.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

BAY CITY, MICH., JUNE 20, 1916.

Department Commander:

Your Executive Committee of the Council of Administration have audited the books of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General and find the accounts correct, showing balance at this date \$5,392.57. The Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General will show detailed statement.

Respectfully submitted,
 GEO. RAAB,
 H. A. CHAPIN,
 E. F. LAMB.

The report was accepted and adopted.

Assistant Adjutant General: Now the announcement has been made of the Committee on Resolutions. If there is any comrade who has any resolutions that he desires to present to this encampment, they would do it at once, and I move you that all resolutions be referred at the same time to that committee without their being read here.

Resolution supported.

Comrade O. A. Janes, Post 384: I suggest that they be handed to the Assistant Adjutant General.

Department Commander: It has been moved and seconded that the Comrades having resolutions to offer will hand them to the Assistant Adjutant General and he will hand them to the committee without their being read before the encampment. After the committee has reported on them you will have an opportunity then to say something.

Unanimously carried.

Comrade Barnett, Post 278: The Committee on the Chief Mustering Officer's report reports favorably and moves the adoption of his report.

Department Commander: Comrades, you have heard the determination of the committee. If there is no objection, it will be adopted. It is adopted.

Department Commander: Now, is there any new business? None. It is moved and supported that we take a recess until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning in this Armory, when the business of the encampment will be continued.

This resolution was unanimously adopted.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m., June 21, 1916.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, NINE O'CLOCK.

Meeting called to order in the Armory by Department Commander, Eli Strong.

Department Commander: Comrade Lee will you take the place of Comrade Coffin to carry greetings to the Women of the Relief Corps?

Comrade Lee: I will.

Comrade Frank Chase, Post 126: Comrades, just a moment in regard to our parade. We form on Madison Street West. The Spanish War Veterans will be on the right; their right resting on Center Street, and on their left will rest the Sons of Veterans who are the escort to the Grand Army of the Republic, and we will be on the left of the Sons of Veterans, with our drum corps between the two. Then, Comrades, after the parade is dismissed, we come back here to the hotel. If I understand the arrangement of the citizens it is that we will only have a short march from Madison Street up to the Wenonah Hotel, which is the reviewing stand, and there you will all appear, and especially those who carry the flag please don't forget to dip the flag in the customary manner. Before that march around the square we will stand there in place to see the civic parade pass us, which goes over and crosses on the west side. We don't want to march over there to West Bay City. I think that march will be five or six miles long. When we get tired seeing the civic parade pass by I think we will know what to do. We want to form there at half past one on Madison Street.

A Comrade: Standard time?

Comrade Frank Chase: Yes, standard time.

Department Commander: I shall call together the session of the thirty-eighth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Officer of the Day, are you satisfied that all who are present in this hall at this time are entitled to remain?

Officer of the Day: I am.

Department Commander: Is there any of the committees ready to report?

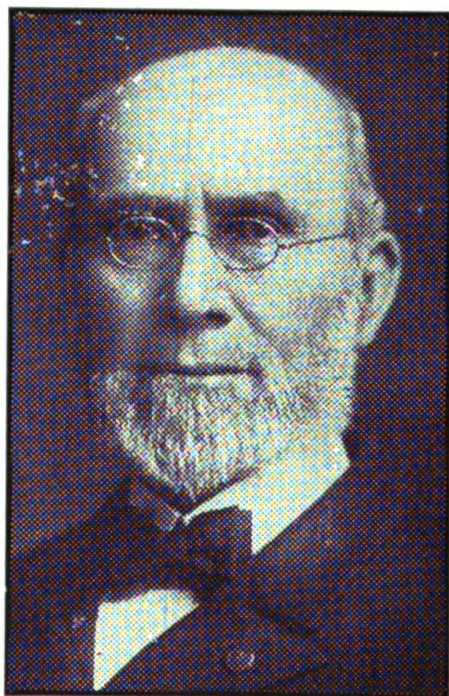
Comrade Janes, Post 384: Yes, the report of the Judge Advocate. We have to report this—that the Judge Advocate has no report to file with the Assistant Adjutant General, and as I am informed by the Assistant Adjutant General that there are no cases to be submitted to him, or rather, were no cases submitted to him during the year, therefore there is nothing for us to report.

Department Commander: Is there any other committees to report?

A Comrade: The committees on the reports of the Senior and Junior Vice Commanders' reports are ready to report.

Whereupon the committee on the reports of the Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders reported that they had examined the reports and recommended that they be adopted.

Department Commander: The Committee on the report of the Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders' reports recommends their



REV. SAMUEL HEININGER
Department Chaplain

adoption; if there are no objections they will be so adopted. They are so adopted.

Department Commander: Is there any other report which the committee wants to recommend adopted? We would like to get over the reports of these committees as fast as possible at this time.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrades, is there any resolution that the Comrades wish to present to the Committee on Resolutions? This matter could have been taken up yesterday.

Comrade Lamb, Post 17: I move you that the Past Department Commanders be authorized to draft resolutions on the death of that grand man, Past Commander Henry S. Dean.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the Past Commanders be a committee to draft resolutions on the death of Past Commander Henry S. Dean.

Comrade Raab, Post 145: I want to amend that resolution so that the name of Henry C. Rankin be added thereto.

Department Commander: I was going to make a motion that there be another committee for that purpose, but I will accept that.

Department Commander: You have heard the motion that the Past Commanders be a committee to draft resolutions on the deaths of Henry S. Dean and Henry C. Rankin. All in favor of that manifest by the usual sign.

Unanimously carried.

Department Commander: We will hear the report of the Chaplain. He did not have it with him yesterday.

REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN.

ADRIAN, MICH., JUNE 20, 1916.

Commander and Comrades, Greetings:

At the close of my first year as Department Chaplain, I wish to submit the following report:

Early in May I sent out the blanks for the Post Chaplains—270. Of that number three were returned, the postmaster claiming that he could find no one to deliver them to. I took the pains to underscore the following on our blanks: "This report must be made out immediately after Memorial Day." I think it helped to prompt action, at least on some, for on May 31st, I received five blanks returned. One from Parma, one from Mendon, one from Petersburg, one from Dowagiac, and one from Traverse City. These five men surely were "Johnnie on the spot." Many other Chaplains were quite prompt, so that by the 9th of June I had received 107 reports. It is somewhat difficult to get those blanks to the proper persons, since we do not know the names and addresses of the different chaplains; so I always addressed them to the Adjutant of the Post. I always had the address and request to return put on every envelope, so that I have reason to believe that all of the reports reached the proper persons. I suppose that many of the Chaplains

believe that the Department Chaplain ought to know most everything, but if they want someone in this office that is omniscient, then they better look for some one else, I am sure that I cannot tell how many schools there are in cities and towns where I am not acquainted, hence to say, "all the schools were present," is unintelligible to me. Hence, hereafter, please give the number of schools that take part in the exercises. Quite a few Chaplains complain that Memorial Day, in their place, is a day of sports—ball games, horse racing, etc. There is an earnest desire that in some places more reverence and respect be shown for our dead heroes, who gave their lives to save our nation. Thus far I have received 142 reports. There were 142 sermons preached, and 2,743 Comrades attended the services. 146 Posts attended memorial services, Comrades present, 3,403. In all there were 17,516 graves decorated. There are 389 unmarked graves. In all 314 public schools took part in the services, with 39,332 pupils present. Other organizations that took part, 211. There are still 125 blanks out that have not been returned.

In receiving these reports one thing is especially very touching, and that is the fact that our ranks, are rapidly thinning. Hence some Posts are very weak; some reporting but five or six Comrades present, and the smallest attendance received was two comrades present. Comrades, we are rapidly departing to the great future, therefore let us live such noble and pure lives, that when the Great Commander calls us hence we may be well prepared to meet Him in peace. With a sincere God bless you all, I am yours truly in F. C. and L.,

SAMUEL HEININGER,
Department Chaplain.

Comrade Janes: I move you that the report of the Chaplain be received and adopted without reference to a committee.

Supported and unanimously adopted.

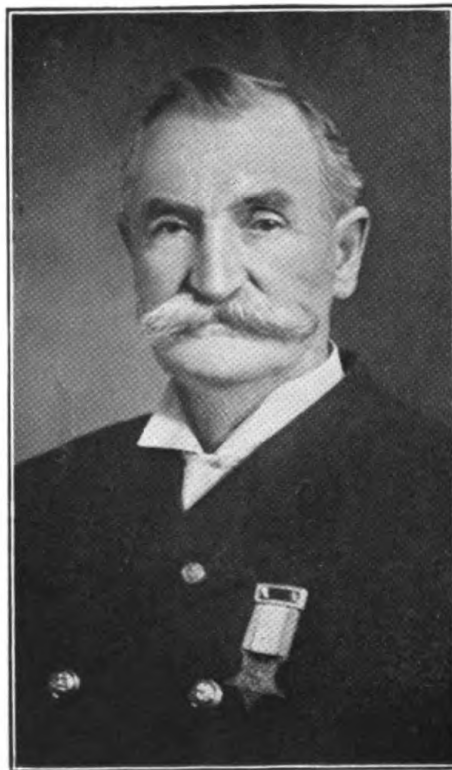
Comrade Parker, Post 17: I personally know of a great many places, a number of places, where there is no organization in the shape of a Grand Army or a kindred organization. I want to ask the Chaplain if he reports from any such. I think, if so, the report ought to show these in.

Chaplain Heininger: I, of course, have no reports of any service outside of the Posts. I know some places would appreciate their being in the report. I wish they would notify me and we will include them.

Comrade Parker: The point is this. There are a good many places where they hold services and they fail to report, and therefore, the chaplain's report, if published, would not adequately show the situation to the people. I think there should be some way, if possible, to reach those things, and have them report, at least make a memorandum of it in our record.

Department Commander: I hardly know how we could arrive at it. In regard to Royal Oak Village there is no Post there, perhaps a half dozen members of the Grand Army of the Republic that I personally know.

Chaplain: If I may be permitted, just a word. I think it would be well for us to request the people who hold these services just to send



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Chief of Staff.

a report to the Chaplain. Of course, we do not know where these services are being held. We surely would appreciate putting them in but we don't know where they are being held. I want to say this that the total attendance is more than two thousand more than was reported last year. As far as that is concerned, it is encouraging. And I don't know how I could consistently report more. The trouble is that most of the Chaplains' reports merely say that a great many attended. I don't know whether I should say a thousand, five thousand or a hundred.

Assistant Adjutant General: I would like to say just a word in connection with the work that I have been kind of figuring on during the past year in the way of trying to increase our membership. I find that I have had reports where there are over five thousand ex-soldiers in this State that do not belong to the Grand Army, and, in connection with that, I want to say that there are fifteen townships in this State where there are ex-soldiers in the townships from fifteen to twenty; there are five with over twenty, and two with twenty-eight soldiers in the townships and there are no Posts in these at all. I did this for the benefit of the Grand Army in this way, that the incoming administration—we had no advantage of anything like that during the past year, and I just took it upon myself to get this. It only cost a little postage, and I will say that I am going to present this in a report to the incoming administration, and let them work up some posts in the state if they can. The one Post mustered in last year was through considerable work. This has been going on for the last two years. Now there are other places. I think we can increase the number of Posts in the State the coming year if proper steps are taken; four or five Posts at least. I just show this in this manner because those who hold Memorial services on Memorial Day there is no record of it, and if we can get them interested and have them get up a Post, then there will be a Chaplain and a proper record can be made of the proceedings.

Department Commander: The report of the Chaplain is adopted. Comrades, according to the report of the Chaplain I am pleased to know that you have attended church so well. There you have a reputation at stake. The Grand Army is accused of attending church but once a year; see to it that you don't fall down on this reputation. I do hope that if any of the committees are ready to report that you will do so.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrades, the committee who is to carry greetings to the Spanish War Veterans has placed Comrade Albert Dunham on it in place of one of the Comrades who is not here. The committee will meet; Comrade Gardner is at the door.

Department Commander: Comrades, we are under the head of new business. We are awaiting your pleasure.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrade Dunham does not want to act on that committee and so we will appoint Comrade Chapin. Is Comrade Chapin here?

Comrade Chapin: I am here.

Thereupon Comrade Chapin took the place of Comrade Albert Dunham on the committee to carry greetings to the Spanish War Veterans.

Department Commander: Comrades, a committee from the Spanish War Veterans is at the door ready to be received and I shall appoint

Comrades Janes, Ward and Greenfield as a committee to escort them to the platform.

Department Commander: Comrades, I have the honor to present to you the committee from the Spanish-American Veterans.

Department Commander: Comrades, we are glad to see you here today. If the United States of America ever went into a war for a just cause I think it was the Spanish-American war. (Applause.) That war was waged in the interests of liberty, of humanity, against a tyrannical, despotic power, and those young men of ours acquitted themselves in a manner worthy of American citizens.

REMARKS BY E. E. ANNEKE, OF BAY CITY.

Comrades: The pleasant duty of serving as chairman of this committee was delegated to me within the past three or four minutes. The original chairman of this committee was a gentleman whom most of you know, Major Gansser. At present he is one of the commanding officers of the Thirty-Third Regiment of Michigan State Troops. I want to say, in a few words, that I desire to greet you in behalf of the Spanish War Veterans and in behalf of the City of Bay City, in which I have been a life-long resident. As a member of the Henry W. Lawton Post of Spanish War Veterans, we are glad, of course, to have the honor to welcome the heroes of the War of the Rebellion, the War of 1862 to 1866. We are glad to have you in the city. We think we have a beautiful location, being bounded on the north by the jack pines of Arenac county; on the west by the great sugar beet fields of Midland county; on the east by the county of Tuscola, which is also rampant with sugar beets, and on the south by the quaint and picturesque village of Saginaw, and I presume there are some here today from that illustrious village. It is a well-known fact that our glorious Wolverine State has taken a permanent and honorable part in every war in which our country has ever participated. In the beginning, in the great rebellion, when the thirteen young colonies were struggling for a national independence; again in the Mexican War of 1812, and again at the time when Lincoln called for volunteers, and the State of Michigan responded, "We are coming, Father Abraham, a hundred thousand strong!" (Applause.) So in the Spanish-American War, the state militia of the State of Michigan not only responded nobly but the volunteers came so fast that it was almost impossible to take care of them. (Applause.) Not only upon the land, but upon the sea we sent from the State of Michigan an auxiliary cruiser manned entirely, with the exception of the Captain and second officer, by Michigan men, the cruiser Yosemite. And upon this cruiser I had the honor to serve as one of the common seamen. We sent a full quota of Michigan troops, and General Russell A. Alger, then Secretary of War, saw to it that every Michigan man, or rather every man who went from Michigan, went instantly to the front. So I want to say a few words of greeting and also say that the State of Michigan has always stood by the nation nobly, is second to none in valor and bravery and has not been slow to show it wherever there has been an opportunity. Gentlemen, I thank you for this splendid opportunity of greeting you. And now, Comrades, I stated to you in the beginning that Major Gansser was to make this address to you. I

know that he had one prepared, and I am sorry that he is not here. He is well disciplined in all affairs in which our State is concerned. I want to say this—that I hope you have the best time you ever had in Bay City; I wish to say this in behalf of the Spanish War Veterans' organization of the State of Michigan. (Applause.)

Department Commander: With our good wishes we pin our badges on these young men.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, there is a committee from the Sons of Veterans waiting at the door to be received.

Department Commander: Comrades, there is a committee sent to greet us from the Sons of Veterans. I will appoint on the committee to receive them Comrades Davey, Dunham and the Mustering Officer, and these comrades will escort them to the platform.

Department Commander: I take pleasure in introducing to you, Comrades, the committee from the Sons of Veterans. They are to take up our work when we are gone. Comrades, the Sons of Veterans—salute. We shall have to rely upon these young men, who are now coming on the stage, in case war is declared in the future; even at the present time we are on the verge of war and we do not know what a few days' more may bring forth. We are deeply interested in these robust, vigorous men and in a few short years, at least, the responsibilities of this great republic of ours will rest in their hands.

ADDRESS BY COMRADE HARTLEY, OF THE SONS OF VETERANS.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: There can be no closer tie than that of father and son. We come to you representing the Sons of Veterans of the State of Michigan, 1,300 strong. We are glad to tell you that we are growing and we are glad to tell you that we are ready to defend the President of the United States should he call for help. We are glad to defend the country and ready to do whatever is possible in defense of the nation which you defended so faithfully in your time. As we grow older we feel a warmer tie towards you. Our hearts go out to you. It was mentioned yesterday when business was coming up with reference to business with the Grand Army of the Republic, there was actual shedding of tears—when we were talking last night in connection with the veterans, and we all realized that we are older too. We come to express our heartfelt thanks to you and kindest regards to you all; may God bless you in your noble work, and we promise you to do our best to take your place and sustain this great government that the Stars and Stripes may float forever. (Applause.)

A Comrade: I move you that we give three cheers for the Sons of Veterans.

Thereupon three rousing cheers were given.

Department Commander: Comrades, we present these badges to you with our warmest compliments.

Committee from Sons of Veterans: We thank you ever so much.

Comrade Raab, Post 145: I want to say that some of us fellows got to work early. Some of those fellows are almost as grey as we are.

Department Commander: Comrades, we are now under the head of new business.

Comrade Raab: I would like to enquire at this time if there are any invitations from any cities for our meeting for next year?

Assistant Adjutant General: I want to say in connection with that that there is an invitation from one place for the next annual encampment with a prospect of one in a short time from another place. Now, to take advantage of this time, I received a telegram yesterday from one that the invitation was coming; we haven't got it yet, and I would advise not to take action on that matter for an hour or so at least. Comrades, there seems to be nothing doing right now. I was looking around for Comrade Janes. We have not received the journals of the National Encampment this year. Why we don't is more than I know. I had an idea that perhaps Comrade Janes could enlighten us a little bit, but he is gone. Now, I thought last year I was to blame perhaps, in a way, for not getting our journals out earlier. Now the State authorities get out our journals and bind them for us. They take up the State matters first and like all the other organizations of the State if the regular work of the State comes in that is taken care of first and we have to wait our turn. Now the journals were filed in the State printers hands three months before I even got an impression of it. They were held up there because the State manuals and other like printing was given preference, and as Congress provided for the Government Printers to take care of the National Encampment Journals I presume that is to blame for our not getting them. We used to get them four or five months after the national encampment, and I merely wish to speak of this because that will give us some idea of what kind of a time we had at Washington. But we all know that we had a good time—those of us who were there and those who were not there. I just speak of this in order to fill in the time. It seems to me that business is dragging here. There are committees to report, of course. There are committees to carry greetings to the various organizations of allied societies. We ought to get through with all of that before noon, and it looks to me, that inasmuch as we cannot hold our election until tomorrow we should get through with our work as early as we can. If we get it up as well as we ought to, when we take a recess for dinner today we can take a recess until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock. There are lots of Comrades who will not feel like working after the parade, and there is not any of them who would want to miss the parade—we know that. I just thought of this, merely threw it in, thinking at the proper time you might wish to offer a resolution along this line.

Comrade Kanitz, Post 7: I understand that I am on a full committee and the chairman don't know the members thereof. I refer more particularly to the Committee on Resolutions. I was advised that I was on that Committee, Comrade Lawrence chairman. Comrade Lawrence don't know who the other fellow is. We are ready to do the work; ready to perform the duties assigned to us, but we don't know who he is.

Assistant Adjutant General: I will suggest, for the benefit of Comrade Kanitz, that the Committee on Resolutions consists of Comrades Lawrence, Kanitz and Jones.

Comrade Kanitz: What Jones, Riley?

Assistant Adjutant General: Yes.

Comrade Kanitz: What is the matter with Riley? Are you here Riley? (Laughter.)

Assistant Adjutant General: He is on deck now.

Comrade Parker, Post 17: Comrades, I can throw a little light on the delay in printing. There is one other matter which I feel it is important to report upon. The delegates at large to the national encampment at Washington, on the proposed report on the result of a recommendation that was requested by the last state encampment to be presented to the national encampment, the explanation as to how the matter terminated. I supposed it was a matter of regular procedure—the delegates at large or some one designated by the delegation should report as a matter of record to the next encampment to the national encampment. Many of you who were present at the last state encampment at Kalamazoo remember that a resolution was introduced recognizing the Daughters of the G. A. R., and recommended that it be presented to the national encampment. I desire to state that the resolution was presented to the Committee on Resolutions at the National Encampment but met with considerable opposition in that committee, and after a conference with the delegation, it was finally decided, rather than persist in hostility, that the resolution be withdrawn, and, therefore, it never came before the encampment and has never been passed upon by the encampment. I think that matter should be recorded as part of the records of this meeting.

Comrade Lamb: I move you that the special order of business for tomorrow morning at nine o'clock be the election of officers.

Motion supported and unanimously carried.

Department Commander: The Officer of the Day has reported that there is a delegation from the Woman's Relief Corps waiting at the door to be received. Comrade Kanitz, can you escort the ladies?

Comrade Kanitz: That is my best hold.

Department Commander: I shall appoint on the committee to escort the members of the Woman's Relief Corps to the platform the following Comrades: Comrades Kanitz, Raab and Wheaton. Please escort the ladies to this platform.

Comrade Kanitz: I have not got a white vest on.

A Comrade: Come on, Louie, you are all right. You are dressed up better than the rest of us.

Comrade Kanitz: Department Commander and Comrades, I have the honor of presenting to you the committee from the Woman's Relief Corps.

Department Commander: Comrades, here is a delegation of ladies from the Woman's Relief Corps. You all know the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps. (Applause.) They have been standing by us for a great many years and they promise to do so in the future.

REMARKS BY MRS. GEORGE.

Members of the Convention: It gives me a great deal of pleasure to bring to you the greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps, your auxiliary, to be accompanied by our ladies who will speak to you later. I desire to present to you the result of the work accomplished by the Woman's

Relief Corps during the year, which, with your permission, I will read to you. We desire to extend our most cordial greetings to you and we take much pleasure in presenting the following report of work during the year.

Number of corps in department.....	188
Number of members in good standing.....	8683
Cash expended for relief during the year by the corps.....	\$928 61
Relief other than money.....	\$4,162 43
Expended by the Department of Relief Committee.....	\$14,500
Number of soldiers and families assisted.....	1263
Cash in the June fund.....	\$857 96
In the Relief fund.....	\$47 45

Again we pledge our allegiance to the Grand Army of the Republic. We are ready and willing to do anything in our power for your assistance.

Yours in F. C. & L.,
CARRIE E. TORREY,
 Department President.

(Great applause.)

I will just simply add a word and present to you these flowers as a token of the appreciation of ourselves of the work which you have accomplished and the work which you may accomplish in the future, and we pledge ourselves to be in readiness to serve you in whatever undertaking you may engage in. (Great applause.)

Department Commander: I want to thank you for this beautiful bouquet. We appreciate your services and we are glad to welcome you here.

REMARKS BY MRS. POND.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: While it is a great pleasure for me to meet you all this morning, yet the associations of the Grand Army of the Republic have been most pleasant to me all my lifetime, and you were all well acquainted with Major Pond. I am glad our President allowed me to come with the rest of the ladies here to extend the greeting of our organization. My present duties are associated in caring for the wives and the widows and orphans of the Grand Army of the Republic. I have the honor to be the matron of the Women's Building at the Soldiers' Home, and I want to assure you that I am doing all in my power to make the home pleasant for the women who are in the Home, and I am very glad to meet you all this morning. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MRS. COFFIN.

Comrades: I have no words to say to you this morning except that I am glad to be here and glad to be able to look into your faces. Each one of the ladies here on the platform—we are all Past Department Presidents, and as such bring to you the greetings of our organization. We want to be true to the principles for which you fought and we want

to inculcate those principles in the coming generations. We will stand by you and by the principles of our order as long as life may last.

REMARKS BY MRS. BAILEY.

Comrades: I am surely glad to be here this morning to look into your faces. I have never had the privilege to come to the Grand Army of the Republic before, and it is a great privilege for me to be here with you. However, I have a little business, also, which I wish to bring before you at this time. I tried very hard to have it brought up last year. You know sometimes the women are a little slow and you people always get ahead of us. In the recommendations that I laid before the convention last year I had this one. I spoke to your Chaplain about it and he seemed to feel that it was in the right place. I will read it to you as I read it to the convention. Some of the Posts have become discouraged and surrendered their charters, and in many instances a visit from the Department Commander or some other officer of the G. A. R. would have saved the Post. Therefore, I recommend that we request the G. A. R. to use the fund presented to them at this time and that one hundred dollars be taken annually from the soldiers' fund, instead of fifty dollars, for this purpose. I was authorized to bring this matter before this encampment before it adjourned. We tried to get it in last year but the report was brought in a little late and you had adjourned. Now, Comrades, the ladies have passed this resolution and I hope it meets with your approval. I am satisfied that there are Posts which might have been saved a little longer. I have in my mind, at this time, when I went to them and talked to them. They said: "All they want is our per capita tax. We never had an officer of the Grand Army of the Republic here. They don't mean anything to us." Now, Comrades, you do care for them. I am sure if you use this fund for this purpose it will not only please the G. A. R., but will be appreciated by these people. I hope this will meet with your approval. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MRS. REDFORD.

Comrades: I consider this to be the greatest day in my life to bring you greetings along with the other ladies and to be permitted to look into your faces. That is all I care to say as I am not much of a speaker.

REMARKS BY MRS. KENNEDY.

Department Commander and Comrades: I bring to you the greetings from the Woman's Relief Corps. This is my first privilege of visiting your convention, and I must confess that this is one of the proudest moments of my life. I have been looking over this vast audience and have been trying to see how many of the Past Commanders I could find. I know some of them have been called beyond. I managed to find my Commander here. I presume the rest of the ladies think their Department Commander was the best in the State of Michigan. I certainly feel that way about our Department Commander. We think he is the best the Department ever had, and as I bring the greetings of the Women of the Relief Corps, I personally bring you my love and loyalty.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, I wish to drop a word here in connection with the remarks made by Sister Bailey in the saving of the weak Posts. She wrote me a letter last year calling my attention to the weak Posts. It was not a great ways out from my headquarters, and I got the letter and was going to attend to it at once. The very next day, or afternoon it was on the day I received this letter, I received the charter from that post. She had working for her a number of the women of the Relief Corps and she corresponded with them. I wrote them (the former members of the Post) and in thirty-six hours they had reconsidered their action of disbanding and wanted their books sent back, and that Post has increased in membership today ten from what it was last year. This was in the little town of Saranac. They had plenty of material there to make a good live Post and they have got it today. I think we cannot help but appreciate the work the Woman's Relief Corps has done along this line.

Department Commander: Comrades, salute.

Thereupon a salute was given to the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps as they descended from the platform to go out of the Armory.

Comrade Janes: Department Commander, your committee delegated to carry the greetings of this encampment to the Auxiliary of the Spanish War Veterans have performed their duty. Owing to the absence of Comrade Van Kleeck, the committee were compelled to add to its number Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert, of Bay City. We found them real, active, honest women, with flags in their hands, full of patriotism. They were pleased to receive the greetings from the Boys of 1861 to 1865. They said it filled their hearts and encouraged them in their work, and extended their thanks for the recognition given them.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, here is a matter which I desire to bring up. There is a Comrade by the name of Wm. S. Morrill. He was born in Oswego, New York, and he was a Post Commander of L. H. Davey Post No. 467, and this transfer card is issued by Geo. H. Thomas, Post No. 5, of Chicago, and our law requires, or gives us the privilege, wherever transfer from one jurisdiction to another is made, they are entitled to their rank, and he is now a member of Post No. 7, of Muskegon, and he asks that the encampment take action on this and give him his rank in this Department of a Past Post Commander.

Comrade Janes: It being necessary that this encampment should take some action to give this Comrade, who has now become a member of a Michigan Post, the rank which he formerly had in his Department, I move you that this encampment confer upon him the rank of Past Post Commander, for he has shown that he has been entitled to receive it in another jurisdiction.

Motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, there seems to be a paper on the table here which, I guess, is simply a request to take some action on a point in your encampment proceedings, June 10, 1916, as follows: Moved by Brother Cogsall and supported by Brother Briggs, the committee on fraternal greetings to the G. A. R., are requested to take up the matter of our status in parade, with the parade formation, and request action which will define such position in all

- parades in which both orders participate, so that all Posts in Michigan will fully understand same and make it uniform.

A Comrade: What is the organization?

Assistant Adjutant General: Sons of Veterans. It is asking for their position in the formation of parades and that of the Spanish War Veterans. There seems to be a conflict. The Comrades will remember that at the national encampment, held at Rochester, the Sons of Veterans were recognized, I believe, as the escort for the Grand Army of the Republic, and it seems that the Spanish War Veterans are trying to crowd in ahead of them.

Comrade Janes: I did not fully get the gist of all that. Where was it from?

Assistant Adjutant General: The department officers of the Sons of Veterans of Michigan.

Comrade Janes: I thought you said Spanish War Veterans.

Assistant Adjutant General: It is the Sons of Veterans, and they are asking the Department to define their position in the parade in connection with the Spanish War Veterans.

Comrade Janes: I would state that the national body, some years ago, passed resolutions that in all parades of the national encampment that the Sons of Veterans should act as the escort in the parade, taking the right of the line, and recommended that all Departments and Posts should follow the same order of things. They have, I think, attempted to follow that, but I think the Spanish War Veterans feel that they should be the personal escort to the Grand Army of the Republic and not the Sons of Veterans. Now, I will say that a communication was shown to me last night by the Commander of the Spanish War Veterans in this State. It was from a camp of the Spanish War Veterans from a city in this State who refused to participate in the parade on Memorial Day because they could not have the right of the line of the Grand Army of the Republic instead of the Sons of Veterans, and he asked that he take up the matter with the Grand Army of the Republic. I stated to him what the action of the national body was. I said: "That is law. The National Encampment has fixed that and that is the law, and it is useless for any of the camps to complain or remonstrate because the Posts are simply following the action of the National Encampment," and he said that was satisfactory to him and that he would see to it that the action taken would be in accordance with the wishes of the national body. He said there would be no further action taken by him.

Comrade J. T. Burns: We had this same thing come up at Kalamazoo. The same thing came up there and we appointed committees there, both committees being sent in by the Spanish War Veterans and the Sons of Veterans, and they discussed this question thoroughly. We took a vote on it in our Post. They finally decided to place the band ahead of us, then the Spanish War Veterans, then the Sons of Veterans and the Grand Army of the Republic, and that left the Sons of Veterans the escort for the Grand Army of the Republic, and in that way, too, it gives the Spanish War Veterans their place. We ought to recognize them just the same as any old soldier, and that is the way you ought to have your program here. We think it is right.

Comrade Crocker, Post 48: Over at Jackson we insisted that the Sons of Veterans should escort us. The Spanish War Veterans insisted on escorting us. They reported to the marshal of the day that they would not march in the parade unless they could have the place that they claimed as escort to the Grand Army of the Republic. I was Commander of the Post. I told the marshal to tell them that they could take their place or stay out just as they saw fit. We have had considerable trouble with the Spanish War Veterans over in Jackson. You will remember, a number of you have heard of it at the Department Encampment. The consequence of it was that the Spanish War Veterans did not march. They claimed the place. We claimed that the Sons of Veterans are our regular escort.

Comrade Janes: I noticed I said before that the action of the National Encampment determined and recommended the Departments and Posts in view of that fact; and I move you that in accordance with the action of the National Encampment recommending the place in the parade that the Sons of Veterans should act as the personal escort of the Grand Army of the Republic, that the Departments and Posts observe that same order. I move you that this Department contends that the Sons of Veterans shall immediately precede and act as the escort of the Grand Army of the Republic, and recommend to all Posts to follow out the same order throughout this jurisdiction.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that this Encampment consider the Sons of Veterans as the escort to the Grand Army of the Republic.

A Comrade: I move you that this be by a rising vote.

Comrade Janes: I would like to make a substitute that this Encampment adopts the recommendation of the National Encampment with reference to the order in which they shall march.

Comrade Lamb: I wish to say that in the city of Detroit, while we have several organizations of the Spanish War Veterans, and also a camp of the Loyal Sons of Veterans, that we have never had any friction. We simply have followed the rule adopted by the National Encampment in all parades. We have given them to understand that we have no right to change that ruling or recommendation of the National Encampment and if they want to change it they should bring it before the proper authorities of the National Encampment.

Department Commander: Comrade Gardner will you please state your resolution again. We want to get it down.

Comrade Gardner: We adopt the resolution of the National Encampment relative to the order in which the different formations may march, or rather organizations shall march, including not only the encampment here but all future encampments of the State.

Department Commander: You have heard the motion as seconded. All in favor of it will manifest by the usual sign.

Unanimously adopted.

Department Commander: That is settled for this Encampment.

Comrade Wm. F. Morrill, Post 7: I rise to thank this encampment for conferring upon me a Post Commandership in this Department, and I also wish to add, at this time, that my name is pronounced Morrell, not Morrill.

Comrade Gardner: In behalf of the committee to wait upon the Spanish War Veterans, I will say that the committee has been discharged. They found a very cordial feeling existed. They were, we found, on the average, such men as we were thirty years ago and were deeply imbued with the work they did in the Spanish American War, and thoroughly in sympathy with this senior body.

Department Commander: Thank you.

Department Commander: Are there any further committees to report?

Assistant Adjutant General: I desire to make an announcement. The women of the Relief Corps of this city are serving dinner at the Episcopal Church on Center Street, not far away from where we go on Center Street. I think it is a couple of blocks away, perhaps, and I wish to make this announcement so that those who wish to patronize them may do so.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrades, here is a question which is asked me. Here is a bouquet which came in and was handed to me. There is no card attached, nor any word as to where it belongs, and I don't know of anybody who would appreciate it any more than myself. I guess it is mine.

Comrade Lamb: I object to that going to the Assistant Adjutant General; I want that to go to his wife, Mrs. Spaulding.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrades, here is a resolution proper and in accordance with instructions and I shall refer this to the Committee on Resolutions without reading, Comrades Lawrence, Kanitz and Jones. Comrade Kanitz you are the second one on that committee.

Comrade Kanitz: We will perform our duty as soon as we can get together.

Assistant Adjutant General: In regard to that bouquet, again—I just want to say a few words to brother Lamb. My wife and I are agreed on one thing, and that is that everything that comes to us is hers. So I shall accept it in her behalf.

Comrade Raab: Is there any further business to come before the encampment at this time? If not, I would like to make a few remarks. I want to ask how many of you Comrades here have seen the photoplay *The Birth of A Nation*?

A Comrade: I did not get that.

Comrade Raab: How many of you Comrades here have seen *The Birth of A Nation*?

Comrade Parker: Those who have seen it stand up.

Comrade Raab: How do you like it?

A Voice: Fine.

Comrade Raab: You do like it? I want to rise before this convention and enter a protest against the exhibition of the so-called play *The Birth of A Nation*, for the reason that it is historically misleading, and an absolute insult to everyone of us here. There is not a thing about the play which eulogizes the northern soldier; on the contrary, it extolls the rebel soldiers, and what makes me hot is to have the people in the audience, when those changes are made, those climaxes, go wild. They go wild with rapture, raising the roof of the building, and when the Ku Klax Klan come tearing down the hills they simply raise on

their feet and yell, because of "the chivalry of the south," while the south terms the northern soldiers "mud sills," the term they used in those days, which I protest is a most contemptible thing. Thirty years ago it would never have been shown in the north. Some of the States have eliminated it and the colored people are shown to be less than brutes. The colored men went with us shoulder to shoulder and helped to put down that rebellion, and those southerners, after the war, maltreated them worse than dogs. Why should we soldiers of the north eulogize that play and spread broadcast that it is a wonderful thing? As a spectacular play to show what can be obtained by man it is wonderful; that is a fact, but as an illustrative play to the young people it is contemptible, and I hope that some of you people at this encampment will offer a resolution not to endorse it.

Comrade Parker: Draw up your resolution and we will pass it.

A Comrade: I want to tell you how we did up at Coldwater. They came up there with this play to put in their show. Butterworth Post took a vote on it and voted unanimously not to have it there; also sent a resolution to the Governor of the State. Some of your brothers saw it. The citizens of Coldwater consulted with the Post, as they always do, and the result was that the show did not come on. If you will do that, Comrades, I do not think the show will bother you.

Comrade Parker, Post 17: I want to see the resolution passed upon to protect the youth and the old soldiers of the north. As it has been said, it is a wonderful play. It is exciting, but there are several things in it which are misleading in so far as the colored soldiers are concerned and also history is grossly misrepresented. Now one of those instances is the sacking of a village or small hamlet of the south by negro troops. Nothing of that kind ever occurred. From the beginning of the war until the end, nothing of the kind was ever attempted. Another thing is that the negro troops assaulted women. Nothing of that kind ever occurred. During the reconstruction period in the south it is shown that negro troops governed elections. There never was a single instance where the negro troops governed the elections in the south during that reconstruction period. That is another lie. It has a number of falsehoods all the way through it, and is a misrepresentation of history, and is a bad teacher to the young people of this country. There never was an instance where a northern statesman went to the south and did his best to set up a negro government. That is illustrated. So I say it is a falsifier of history. The people of the United States ought to turn it down, fully and absolutely, no matter what the standard of it as a spectacular play may be. I hope we will pass a resolution to the effect that we will not recommend any play that tends to misrepresent history and that such a play be obliterated by the government, and that such a petition be sent to the government by the Grand Army of the Republic. While I am on the floor I want to mention another thing. It has become quite common to hear that it was a war between the States. That is a historical lie.

Comrade Raab: Thaddeus Stevens one of the greatest statesmen the country ever knew is maligned in that play. They do not mention names, but from his physical disabilities those of us who knew the history at that time knew who was meant. He is represented there as

living with a negro woman. This play was written by Thomas A. Dixon, a southerner. The book is called *The Clansman*. This Birth of A Nation is produced from *The Clansman*. This play is produced from that. I read that book. A great many people refused to read it because the book misrepresents the northern soldier. It is written from a southern standpoint. Senator Thaddeus Stevens was one of the greatest men in the United States at that time; because he was in favor of reconstructing the south along patriotic lines they insulted him in that way. Now that is one of the things shown in the play and it is simply an outrage on the north. I shall draw a resolution as requested by my friend sometime today with his assistance. I think he can help make it strong enough.

Comrade Kanitz: I am glad this question has come up, Comrades. You know that an effort has been made for years to falsify history, and you and I who have been called upon to preserve the Union know that sometimes second-class history is taught in our schoolrooms. They say what can we do to stem this tide of misrepresentation. I do hope that we can make ourselves felt in that direction. I hope that some bright genius, like my friend Janes, will draw up a resolution and do something either with the national encampment, or with the government, to see that justice is done, and that we do our utmost to put a stop to it.

Comrade Janes: I attended that exhibition in Detroit and what has been said about it, Comrades, insofar as a misrepresentation of history is all true. But there is another misrepresentation which made my blood boil. At Appomattox Generals Lee and Grant are represented there. General Lee sits at a table all dressed up spick and span. Then it shows the other side. General Grant is not so elegantly attired. He is represented as a man with a big black cigar in his mouth tilted at an angle of forty-five degrees. What is the effect on the youth of today? That was not true. You never see any history where Grant was represented in such a swaggering way as if he were drunk with a cigar in his mouth. It gives a wrong impression.

Chaplain Heininger: The fact is this. We will never get away from these misrepresentations. I heard a sermon preached by a minister this year and he spoke in regard to war. He spoke about the southern men being mistreated in our northern prisons. I said "What do you know about Rock Island?" It seemed that some one had misrepresented us. I told him that I had always understood that our soldiers were to treat them decently after they surrendered.

Comrade Miner: I have never seen this play, but I have heard a great deal about it. It seems to me that we are not getting anywhere on this question. I would like very much to see this matter brought before the encampment in a way that it can be acted upon.

Department Commander: The Comrade is drawing up a resolution and it will be submitted to us in a short time.

Comrade Kanitz: I wish to offer a resolution that you be instructed to appoint a committee of three to see how far Michigan history has been misrepresented or falsified, to ascertain the facts and report their findings to this convention next year. I move you that a committee of three be appointed.

Seconded and unanimously carried.

Department Commander: I feel constrained to say a few words right here. This exhibition of falsifying history is something which I have thought of for a great many years. Absolutely you have no idea of the extent that history has been falsified in the past. We are utterly at sea. You can readily see what is taking place in this day and age of the world. Read the German history of the war. Read the English and French histories of the war. You will see that a man has to be so constituted that he has to take an unbiased standpoint. I was talking to an old Confederate down at Richmond one day. He said when our army started out at Petersburg. He said excuse me I should not say our army, for we had only a respectable skirmish line. I said: Is that all you had. He said: surely, we had only a few. Well, I says, at one point we captured five or six thousand prisoners of you and you must have had some men on the start, for you would not allow us to capture that number of men without fighting some. Then again we captured about the same number; six thousand, at another place on the drive to Appomattox, and all along the road our army was picking up prisoners. They finally surrendered about twenty-eight thousand, and you must have had about fifty thousand when you started in. He had thought they did not have over 10,000. So you see how they get the history down. In the south they have claimed right along that they only had six thousand men enlisted and they taught that in the schools and they feel that they never lost a battle unless they were tremendously outnumbered.

Comrade Dixon, Post 17: I have been trying to get some information from two men in Detroit and I can't get either one of them interested. I speak particularly of Bishop Williams, of the Episcopal church. His attitude towards the Grand Army man is that of a man who has no respect whatever for the man he happens to meet who has worn the blue. The second man is Chadsey, the Superintendent of Public Schools. He does just exactly what he has to do and he don't do any more than that. I have given to the reporter the State law on the desecration of the flag; also, the law compelling teachers in all schools, in their work, to educate the children along the line of patriotism. I have told the Adjutant General that I have had five hundred copies extra of this printed and they will be at his disposal for the incoming administration to issue one of these to every boy in the state of Michigan; also at our Memorial Day exercises in Detroit two thousand copies of them were furnished and are in the hands of a good many people who are really alive.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrade Schneider, you had a matter which you desired to bring before the encampment.

Comrade Schneider, Post 42: Department Commander, I want to report on behalf of this committee on the General Index to the Soldiers' Record which we got through the Legislature a few years ago. In the meantime I was taken sick and could not attend to the Record and could not write out a report, but I had an interview with the Secretary of State and he informed me that the four hundred copies have been printed, and in connection with distributing is this. Major Nesbett, the Governor's private secretary, was appointed a committee with me to make out a report. Now, Major Nesbett is going to leave Lansing, as

he has been appointed postmaster at Big Rapids, and he has asked me to withdraw his name and have some one else, some resident in Lansing, appointed as a joint committee with me, in conjunction with the State Librarian, to make out a list of those items. And I, therefore, move you that the Department Commander be instructed to appoint Comrade Albert Dunham to this place made vacant by Major Nesbett.

Department Commander: We will have to look after that matter later on.

Comrade Erwin, Post 14: I do not think it is policy for this encampment to be in session any longer this morning, and I, therefore, move you that we adjourn this morning until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock in the Armory here. Seconded.

Department Commander: It is moved and seconded that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock in the Armory here.

Motion prevailed.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 1916, ARMORY, 9:30 O'CLOCK A. M.

Department Commander: Officer of the Day, are you satisfied that all present are entitled to remain?

Assistant Adjutant General: I am informed that there are Comrades here who are not Past Commanders nor Delegates to this encampment and they have got the badge on them, and they have seats in the hall now. I think it would be a good idea to notify any of those to retire because they are not entitled to a seat here, not entitled to a vote, and through some hook or crook they have managed to get the badge. Of course if they are members in good standing they are entitled to the countersign, but they are not entitled to a seat with the delegates in this encampment.

A Comrade: They are entitled to seats in this hall but not to vote.

Department Commander: Yes, they are entitled to remain. We have reserved seats on that side of the hall for these Comrades.

Assistant Adjutant General: But they are not entitled to the badge.

Department Commander: They are not entitled to the badge.

Department Commander: To understand, Comrades, those who are not delegates but are members of the Grand Army of the Republic, just take seats on the left, just back of these seats. In this way, you will not conflict with members of this encampment. This is an adjourned meeting of the Thirty-Eighth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. Officer of the Day, are you satisfied that all persons present are entitled to remain?

Officer of the Day: I am.

Department Commander: I declare this encampment opened in proper form. The last thing that we had on the program was the appointment of a history committee. Now this committee, as I understand it, is for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, to what extent history, with reference to the civil war, has been misrepresented or has been falsified. I hardly expect this committee to rectify history, as

that would be a very big job. I shall appoint on the committee: Comrades Gardner, Post 210; Schneider, Post 42; R. A. Parker, Post 17.

Comrade Schneider, Post 42: Department Commander and Comrades of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic: I desire to say a few words in regard to the committee on the distribution of the general index and library sets of the record of the services in the civil war of Michigan soldiers and sailors. I am requested by my brother member of the committee, Major Nesbett, the Governor's private secretary, to announce to this Department his immediate withdrawal from further service on this committee, because of his early removal from Lansing to Big Rapids, where he will be postmaster, having been recently appointed to that position, and this will necessitate his removal from the city of Lansing, and he joins me in recommending and requesting the appointment of Comrade Albert Dunham, now a resident of Lansing, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Major Nesbett.

Department Commander: I move you the adoption of this report and the appointment, as requested, of Albert Dunham to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Major Nesbett, the Governor's private secretary.

Motion supported. Carried unanimously.

Department Commander: I will appoint Albert Dunham to this position.

Comrade Lawrence: The Committee on Resolutions have to report the receipt of the following from Post 126, Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Department of Michigan, that it is unwise to follow the custom of past department encampments in leaving the office of Senior Vice Department Commander to be filled by the Post where the encampment is being held, and that said custom shall be discontinued in the future.

Your committee, to whom was referred the resolution that this custom be discontinued begs leave to recommend that such custom be disregarded in the future.

Comrades S. J. LAWRENCE,
JONES,
KANITZ.

Comrade Lawrence: I move the adoption of the resolution. Supported.

Comrade Lawrence: Let me say, Comrades, that this resolution does not affect this encampment.

Comrade Janes: I am heartily in favor of this resolution. The national encampment has conceded it for years to the city where the national encampment was being held, and they have been allowed to name the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. At Washington, last year, a resolution similar to this, was introduced and passed because they said that privilege of naming the Senior Vice Department Commander-in-Chief should not be taken from the Grand Army of the Republic at large for the reason that we are getting on the other side of life rapidly. Those who may be elected Commander-in-Chief may be called hence before the end of the year, the same as happened in this Department.

With the selection of a Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief the body should take into consideration the qualities of the man, whether or not he is fitted for the high position in case of death of the Commander-in-Chief. He should be judged carefully because he may be called to the higher office. Then, again, that probably forfeits Comrades who are capable of filling that office, who have the high qualifications but they are unfortunate in the fact that the encampments are never held in their respective communities. You are confining the office to certain localities. This gives them an opportunity to aspire to this position even though they live in a rural community.

Department Commander: Any further remarks? Comrades, you have heard the motion; it has been seconded and you understand it without doubt. It is that we do not confine the office of Senior Vice Department Commander to the city holding the encampment, or rather the entertaining city, but leave the position open for any Comrade. I think myself it is a good thing. The experience that you have had just recently.

Whereupon the motion was carried unanimously.

Comrade Raab: I want to rescind that remark of yours. We have never had a better Commander than you are.

Department Commander: Thank you very much.

Comrade Washington Gardner: I understand there is a committee from one of the allied organizations waiting at the door, Department Commander, and they desire to be shown to the platform.

Assistant Adjutant General: While we are waiting, I desire to report that there are 385 delegates and Past Commanders with their proper credentials here.

Department Commander: It gives me more than pleasure to introduce to you the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. We will hear from Mrs. Bowers at first.

REMARKS BY MRS. BOWERS.

Department Commander, Comrades of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic: For a number of years past, it has been my pleasure to look into your faces and greet you. This year, as I look about me, I miss a great many who were here last year. In fact I miss very much the dear Comrade who took me and brought me in last year, Comrade Dean. I know how dear he was to every one of you.

Today I bring greetings to you from the National Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. I bring greetings from several hundred more this year than I did last. We are growing slowly but surely, and as I look into your faces I hope you will take this message home with you. If you have daughters at home tell them about the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic, for we realize that, in the future, we can best perpetuate your memories. The Grand Army of the Republic has made its history. It will be for us, your daughters, to perpetuate your name, for we believe that all due credit should be given to those men who saved the Union in 1861 to 1865. We hope to make our order larger for the future, for we are building for the future work, and intend to make of our association what the Daughters of the American Revolution have made theirs. We all know of the great work which they are doing in this nation and the fine scope their work has. We

have a broader work ahead of us than they have. We have a larger eligibility than they have, because there were so many more of you Comrades. For there is no hamlet or village or town but where some of the boys went out, and we intend to place something there to show who were out and what they went out for. Our object is, in the future, to see that you receive the honors due you. We believe in teaching the grandchildren of the Grand Army of the Republic patriotism, and we are starting early. We do not ask any honors for ourselves. We want all the honors for our fathers, for it is due you, and we are proud for we know that it is a birthright which you are handing down to us and that we will continue to hand down from generation to generation. You can do much to help us while you are still with us in interesting those who are not engaged in patriotic work, who are eligible to us, and we would be glad to have you take that message home with you. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MRS. SLYDON.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: It gives me great pleasure to bring greetings from the children of the G. A. R. We are very anxious to extend our daughters' organization throughout the United States.

Mrs. Markham: Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I am more than delighted to bring greetings to you from the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic of Michigan.

Comrade Raab: According to suggestions made yesterday, in regard to the photoplay *The Birth of a Nation*, I submit the following resolution for your approval:

Whereas, the photoplay called *The Birth of a Nation* is misleading even in name and falsifies events following the War of the Rebellion, and is an insult to some of the statesmen of those stirring days, a slander on the colored race of this country, and an insult to all loyal Union Soldiers who participated in the war of the rebellion. (Now I wrote this myself and it is hard for me to read it.)

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Department of Michigan, in convention assembled, That we protest against the presentation of this infamous play in the State of Michigan, and earnestly request all our friends to refrain from patronizing this commercialized travesty on truth and justice.

I move the adoption of the resolution.

Comrade Parker: I would suggest an amendment, that instead of saying *The Birth of a Nation* I would suggest the *Miscalled Birth of a Nation*.

A Comrade: I move that a copy of the resolution be submitted to the *National Tribune*, for publication.

Comrade M. C. Barney: I want to assure you that you are all going to have an opportunity to hear about this show. This show is coming. I was on the city council and before they got there the Methodist minister of the colored church called on me. We finally allowed them to put on a trial performance and it seemed all right, as they eliminated a great deal. When they put on the real thing it was entirely different.

At the night performance there was a great deal that there was not shown in the afternoon performance. I am mentioning this to you so that you will be on your guard if the manager puts the thing up to you the way he put it up to us.

Department Commander: There is another delegation of ladies waiting at the door to be received. The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

REMARKS BY MRS. JAMIESON.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: You do not seem to have a department convention that you do not have Mrs. Jamieson to bring you greetings. I will just tell you the objects of our order. We are proud to come here and address you today. I have been in the order a good many years and many of you knew my husband. He was a Grand Army man. We want to do all we can for the Grand Army men in more ways than one. In closing I shall give this toast:

When you lie, lie down to pleasant dreams,
When you drink, drink of the cup of happiness;
When you steal, steal away from bad company,
And when you swear, swear by the Star Spangled Banner.

REMARKS BY ANOTHER LADY.

I am proud to stand up here and see you, Comrades. I have not had the honor before. I am not a speaker. I am a very quiet person. I think Mrs. Jamieson has said everything, but I am glad to have the privilege of coming here to your convention. I won't say anything more for the time is short and we have our own convention. I know you must be pressed for time. I thank you, Comrades.

REMARKS BY MRS. REESE.

Comrades, I can't say much when Sister Jamieson starts in, for we always start her out first. She is called the mother of all nations and the father of the G. A. R. I shall not take up any more of your time but I am glad to see you. I do not get to as many of the encampments as I used to. I want to thank you for this opportunity.

Comrade Washington Gardner: Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Department Commander, Eli Strong, beg leave to report that they have examined the same and desire to endorse the recommendations with regard to patriotism in the rising generation and also to commend his generous recommendation of the affiliated bodies. We further recommend that there be appropriated out of the general fund a sum not exceeding thirty-five dollars for the purchase of a Past Commander's badge to be procured and presented to the retiring Department Commander.

WASHINGTON GARDNER,
E. C. CANNON,
FRANK R. CHASE,
For the Committee.

I move the adoption of the report. Supported.

Department Commander: If there be no objection it is so ordered. It is so ordered.

Department Commander: We have another delegation of ladies at the door. You see we have lots of friends. They are the Ladies Auxiliary of the United Spanish War Veterans.

Comrade Kanitz: I move that after receiving these women we proceed to the regular order of business.

REMARKS BY FIRST LADY FROM THE LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE UNITED
SPANISH WAR VETERANS.

Department Commander and Comrades: I want to bring you greetings from the United Spanish War Veterans Auxiliary I was very glad to come when I was told that I might do so by our Department President. I am not much of a speechmaker, but I am glad to be on the greeting committee. My own father served through the civil war and of course he was a Grand Army man. He was very dear to me and I was glad to be delegated to carry greetings to the Grand Army of the Republic. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Spanish War Veterans extend to you their heart and we hope that you will have a very successful meeting this year, live another year and have a most successful meeting at that time. Comrades, I want to thank you for this opportunity.

REMARKS BY THE SECOND LADY.

Comrades, I am not going to make a speech to you for I am not a talker, so I will have to retire.

Department Commander: We will now proceed to the election of officers. Comrades, what is your pleasure?

Comrade Ives, Post 289: I move you that we appoint tellers.

Carried, and the following tellers were then designated: Comrades E. F. Lamb, Albert Dunham, W. G. Miner, H. A. Chapin, W. O. Lee.

Department Commander: I want to say a word to the tellers. When you approach the delegate for his vote you will have him rise and be careful that he don't make a mistake and put in two together. Be careful of that.

Comrade Schneider: I move you, Department Commander, that the Adjutant General call the roll of districts for nominations for Department Commander, and that the nomination speeches be limited to three minutes. Unanimously carried.

Comrade Parker, Post 17: Comrades of the Encampment: I desire to place in nomination, at the request of his friends, a good Comrade, one whom I think you all know; if not, you have missed one of the treats of your life. I say one whom you all know and if you don't know him you have missed one of the treats of your life. He is now your Senior Vice Department Commander, and he is one of the most genial, most efficient, most honorable, most regular in attendance of any Grand Army man in the State of Michigan. He is small, but Oh! My! I desire to nominate for your suffrage as Commander of this Department for the ensuing year, Tom Davey, your Senior Vice Depart-

ment Commander, and I desire to say that so much of the three minutes that I have not occupied I shall donate to the other nominating speakers. I desire to say, further, that no matter who you elect to the office of Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, you will not make any mistake. (Applause.)

District No. 2, Comrade Higgins, Post 48: I desire to place in nomination for the responsible and honorable position of Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, a Comrade who is a Comrade. Not only in name but he lives the part every day of his life. A Comrade who has a record, both civil and military, and he is a Comrade from the soles of his feet to the crown of his head. Every action of his in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic is for the betterment of the organization. I want to say to you Comrades that whether he is elected or not, he will not have any sore spots on him. He will serve honestly every day, and do what is right. I nominate for that position Comrade Francis L. Manning, of Post 48. (Applause.)

District No. 6, Comrade Foster, Post 42: Comrades, in behalf of Charles T. Foster Post, which numbers two hundred members, I desire to mention the name of a candidate for the position of Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, a Comrade whom I believe will make an ideal candidate and who if elected will make you an ideal Department Commander. He certainly was an ideal soldier as-is evidenced by the fact that in 1862 he enlisted in Company B, 26th Michigan and was second lieutenant of that company, and during the three years following, or nearly three years following, he served continuously with his regiment and with the Army of the Potomac, and, during that time, participated in more than thirty general engagements, skirmishes, etc. He had the honor of leading that regiment down Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington in the review of 1865. Comrades, he was a fighter, a soldier. He is a fighter yet. Today he is honorable and patriotic. He is a zealous man. You will always find him at State and National conventions pushing for the best interests of the G. A. R. He is a good parliamentarian. He is honest, faithful and upright. He may be found always in the ranks for the uplifting of humanity. Comrades, you will make no mistake if you elect him Department Commander and, take my word for it, you will never have cause for regret. I would like to nominate Col. L. H. Ives, of Mason. (Applause.)

Department Commander: We will have to wait a moment on those nominations as there is another delegation of ladies waiting to be received at the door. They are the Daughters of the G. A. R.

Department Commander: It affords me a great deal of pleasure to welcome the Daughters of the G. A. R.

REMARKS BY MISS FLOOD, THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic: I have not quite as much to say as last night for my voice is still in bad condition, but I think I can make myself heard. I bring to you this morning the greetings from the

National Alliance of the Daughters of Veterans, the greetings from the daughters of your Comrades all over the United States. We are proud of the inheritance which has come to us through the services of our fathers, and for that reason, thirty-one years ago, we organized in the State of Ohio the Daughters of Veterans, and through these years we have been gaining new members. Comrades, many of you know the work we are doing. Some of you are well known to us; others are not as well known. I want to say to you, Comrades, that wherever there is one member of our organization there you will find a hard worker for the interests of the boys who wore the blue. I bring to you, Comrades, not only the greetings of the National Alliance, but I bring to you the greetings of the Michigan Department where we now have twelve organizations and two more ready to be organized. I bring to you, Department Commander Strong, from the Michigan Department, these flowers with the colors attached which served you boys so nobly and so well from 1861 to 1865.

REMARKS BY MRS. KITCHIN.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: I come to extend the greetings of the Michigan Department of the Daughters of Veterans. You are our fathers and we love you and our hearts go out to you, and I want to tell you that when my father died in 1910 it was a hard blow; he was a veteran of three wars and I am his daughter.

REMARKS BY THE THIRD LADY.

Comrades, Fathers: This is my first department convention and I consider it a great honor to be appointed by my Department President as one of the committee to bring greetings to the G. A. R.

Badges were then pinned on the respective members of the Committee by Department Commander Strong.

Department Commander: That concludes the nominations; we are now ready for the seconds.

A Comrade, Post 94: I move you, in behalf of my Post, to second the nomination of Comrade Ives for Department Commander.

Comrade W. G. Miner, Post 132: I rise to my feet to support the nomination of a Comrade who is worthy of our patronage. We had a Past Commander from our little town once. We know what a good Department Commander means. In behalf of our Post, and in behalf of the Comrades of Ionia county, I second the nomination of Comrade Ives as Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade Wilson, Post 48: Comrade F. L. Manning, member of the same Post that I am, Post 48, of Michigan. In behalf of a majority of the members of that Post I rise to second his nomination.

Comrade Cooper, Post 114: Comrades, in behalf of the members of our Post, I have come here today to second the nomination of Comrade Ives. We have a first mortgage on him in our county. He lived there in war days. He raised his company there. His people live there. His

brother is member of the board of supervisors of our county and I can vouch to you, Comrades, that Comrade Ives is a man, every inch of him, an honorable, upright Christian gentleman. I believe these honors should go to the men that served in the army. Col. Ives was with his regiment from the time that it was mustered in through Appomattox, and his regiment received the honors of being detailed to receive the rebels and send them home and it has been said he led his regiment down that grand review, what greater honor any man ever had. I second the nomination of Colonel Ives.

A Comrade, Post 114: Over in Unadilla, a young man surrounded with all the friends and pleasures of life, a diligent father, a loving mother, affectionate sisters and fond brothers, put away the farm life to answer the call of Uncle Abe for three hundred thousand more. It was my privilege to belong to the same command that he did, the same regiment. I sat around the camp fires with him. I have listened to his fatherly advice and no man ever went astray who listened to him. Comrades, since returning home, he has been very much in demand in attending reunions and camp fires. I am not going to tell you that he is a great orator, but he is a very fine speaker. Comrades, I am not going to tell you that this man in his childhood was different, for I did not know him then. He may have played truant and went swimming when he should have been at Sabbath school. I know he is a soldier. I know he is a good Comrade. I sincerely trust that you will vote for Colonel Ives.

Comrade Spears, Post 10: I desire to second the nomination of Comrade Davey.

Comrade E. L. Negus, Post 41: I am here to support a live wire, a man who helped to make the Grand Army of the Republic. He always meets with the G. A. R. He was at Chattanooga, he was at Gettysburg. He was there, and he is here today, and I am here with instructions to second the nomination of Colonel Ives.

Comrade Diamond, Post 395: I rise to support the nomination of a man who has served his country faithfully in the war. He came back with honors. He has been an honest, upright citizen, and a live wire in the Grand Army service. I rise to second the nomination of Colonel L. H. Ives. (Applause.)

A Comrade: I rise to second the nomination of Comrade F. L. Manning, of Jackson.

Comrade Jewett, Post 53: I rise to support the nomination of Comrade L. H. Ives. I have known him for fifty-three years, and he is a Comrade through and through, and you will not make any mistake.

Comrade Kanitz, Post 70: I rise to second the nomination of Comrade Ives.

Comrade Barrett, Post 278: Commander, I have been attending the G. A. R. encampments for the past eighteen years and I rise to support the nomination of Comrade Manning. He is a good, clean man, and you will make no mistake in electing him Department Commander.

A Comrade, Post 1: I rise to support the nomination of Comrade L. H. Ives because I have read his war record. I am not personally acquainted with the man but the war record is what I am taking into consideration in supporting Colonel L. H. Ives.

Comrade Welch, Post 384: I heartily endorse the nomination of Comrade Tom Davey, a true and loyal Comrade, always ready to respond to the call of duty where the interests of this organization are at stake. A man, if elected to the position by this Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, who will, I assure you, perpetuate it; a good broadminded man, faithful to the organization.

A Comrade, Post 17: I want to support the nomination of Comrade Davey, for I believe he will make a good Commander.

Department Commander: It has been moved that we proceed to ballot. Seconded.

Comrade Lamb: I think that each of the candidates should be heard from; that is, their supporters. I don't believe it is a case where one candidate has been supported more than the others and I believe we should have it so that all will have fair play. I hope this motion does not prevail. It would not do justice. I rise to support the nomination of Tom Davey. He has been in sixteen battles besides other engagements. He holds one of the most responsible positions that there is in the State of Michigan for the old soldier, his widow and his orphans, and he has done everything possible to relieve the sufferings. He has been before the Board of Auditors and the supervisors of Wayne county and makes a fight each year for those who are dependent. You know it costs to live in a big city like Detroit. Last year he was not at Washington because he was making a fight for \$22,000 to help care for those who need it. There is no truer soldier, no truer citizen, more loyal to his country and flag than Tom Davey. (Applause.)

A Comrade, Post 197: I rise to support the nomination of F. L. Manning as Department Commander.

Department Commander: We will proceed with the ballot. You will prepare your tickets.

Comrade Raab: After the officers of the Department are elected and we proceed to the election of delegates, I move that we take a recess of ten or fifteen minutes and meet in district conventions to name our delegates.

Assistant Adjutant General: In connection with that, I will say that I have blanks ready and I will call for districts.

Assistant Adjutant General: While they are counting the ballots I would suggest the idea that Bay City name the Senior Vice Department Commander. If Bay City has selected one, then we can get along to the next officer without delay.

Comrade Butterfield, Post 419: The delegates and Post Commanders of the three Posts of Bay City were requested to meet this morning and select a man for the position of Senior Vice Department Commander. I have the report and shall hand it to the Assistant Adjutant General for him to read:

“Department Commander: At the Armory, Tuesday, June 22, 1916, at a meeting of Post Commanders and delegates of U. S. Grant Post 67, H. P. Merrill Post 419, and H. S. Barnett Post 278, Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert was unanimously recommended for the office of Senior Vice

Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

J. S. DODGE,
Secretary."

Comrade Van Kleeck: Department Commander and Comrades: I want to submit to this encampment the name of a man whom you all know. I don't announce his name because he lives in Bay City. I desire to present to this convention the name of a man who is known to this encampment. I did not know and did not attend any of the tenth congressional conventions. There were a few of the delegates from Bay City, but I am acting on the strength of a resolution passed by the Post to which Griff Lewis belongs, U. S. Grant Post. I present to you, for your consideration, the name of Comrade Griff Lewis for the office of Senior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade Lawrence: Comrades, it gives me pleasure to stand before you and second the nomination of a man who has sounded the bugle for the last twelve or fifteen years for you. This man was bugler, and for God's sake are you going to turn him down in a convention because a few men are dissatisfied. (Great Applause.)

Comrade Barrett: I move you that the different Posts get together and select a man unanimously before we proceed to a vote here. The delegates from the Posts in Bay City.

Department Commander: That will be all right. If you can get together in a quick manner and see if you can settle this controversy.

Comrade Wilson: That has all been done and there is the resolution there.

Comrade Heininger: It seems that our Comrades in Bay City are not quite agreed. We are sorry they are not a unit. We love peace. And so our good friends in Bay City can't agree, I desire to place in nomination the name of a man who will certainly make an excellent Senior Vice Department Commander and if the Department Commander shall be called away, he will make a splendid Department Commander. A man who served his country faithfully. A man who has been honored by his Post repeatedly and to show you that they have implicit confidence in him while in the service, he was able at one time to assist the paymaster. You know when you can put a man where there is money he is to be trusted. (Applause.) I give you the name of Henry Stephens, of Tecumseh, as a candidate for the office of Senior Vice Department Commander in case the Bay City boys can't get together and select one of their own men.

Comrade Raab: This is an unusual thing, and the resolution that was passed this morning in regard to the selection of a Senior Vice Department Commander was very apt at this time. When the city itself cannot agree on their candidate for Senior Vice Department Commander, it is time to take it away from them and place it on the floor at large. Another nomination has already been made. That makes three. Now, it does seem as though you Bay City Boys ought to be able to get together and be unanimous on some one so that the outside would not be in a position to nominate anybody at this time.

Comrade Stephens: Now, Comrades, my name has been presented here by your worthy Chaplain, and I do not wish to withdraw from this race if there is a conflict on. If you are going to get into a strife and can't make a decision I would like to stay in the race for the office of Senior Vice Department Commander. Otherwise, I would not care to stay in the race for one minute.

A Comrade: In view of the fact that there seems to be some difficulty in the matter, I would ask that the Department Commander ask the Post Commanders to retire and see if they can't select a man unanimsly.

Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert: My name has been mentioned before this convention and I wish to say to you Comrades I am not out for any fight. I will not fight a minute for this position if I am not wanted.

Department Commander: It has been requested that these delegates from these three Posts get together with the Past Commanders and see if they cannot settle this matter of a candidate for the office of Senior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan. If you cannot do so, then we will let it go on the floor of this encampment.

Comrade Griff Lewis: Go ahead and take your vote and I will abide by the result. Whatever the result is I will submit.

Comrade Lamb: The tellers are ready to announce the votes for Department Commander:

Whole number of votes cast.....	239
Comrade Ives received	136
Comrade Davey received	58
Comrade Manning received	45

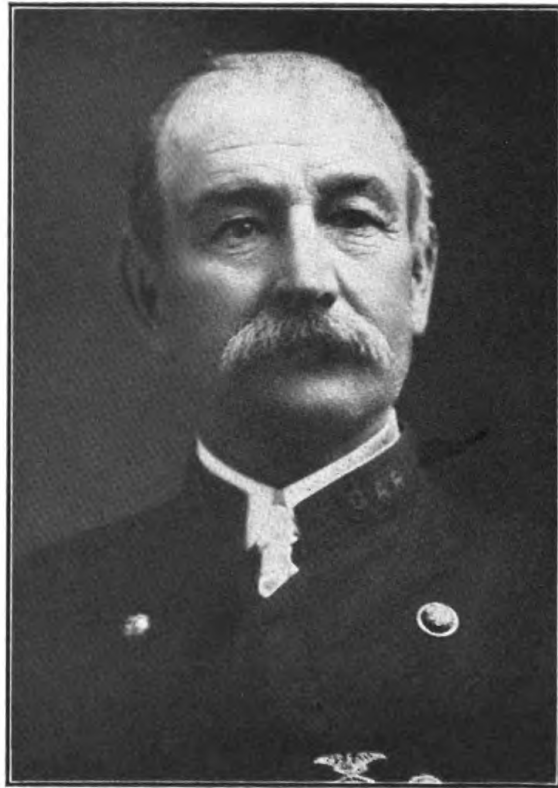
Department Commander: From the report of the tellers, Comrade Ives has received a majority of the votes of this encampment and he is hereby declared elected Commander of this Department for the ensuing year. (Applause.)

A Comrade: I move you that the vote of this encampment be cast unanimously. Carried.

Comrade Raab: We want to hear from Comrade Ives on the platform.

REMARKS BY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER-ELECT IVES.

This is the prodest moment of my life. I have heard other Comrades speak in the same position in which I have been placed, and I feel today that no honor which could come to me I could appreciate more than that which has come at the hands of the Comrades of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. I feel like the man down in Connecticut who was elected to the legislature, Comrades, and he went down a few days before the legislature was in session and walked around to get used to the surroundings; he walked around the state house and he got into conversation with the janitor down there and the janitor said, "Are you the smartest man down in your district?" The newly elected member of the legislature said, "No, there is a man who knows more than I do down there but he has better clothes and they elected him." I thank you, Comrades, from the bottom of my heart; I am too



A. L. BRYANT
Color Sergeant

overwhelmed with appreciation to express myself to advantage. (Applause.)

Department Commander: The next on the program is the office of Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Lawrence: I don't want to do all the talking, but I am a great man to stand by the man who stands by his duty. I leave it to you whether I did mine when I was your Commander or not. I tried to anyway. There is a man here who has been color sergeant. He has been the color sergeant of this Department a great many times. He has carried our Department flag at the head of the Department in our National and State encampments. I believe he has earned the position of Junior Vice Department Commander, and I place in nomination, the name of Allison L. Bryant.

Comrade J. G. Burns, Post 6: Comrades, in a few words I want to present to you the name of F. J. Kelton, a grand man; he has been Commander of his Post, and it is one of the largest Posts in this State. He has always been true to the G. A. R., and he has always co-operated with all the officers of the Post. He is a very agreeable man. Our Post is one of the "live wire" Posts in the State of Michigan today. Three years ago we had eighty-eight members. We took in twenty members last year through the help of the Woman's Relief Corps. We solicit your vote.

Comrade Finch, Post 5: It gives me pleasure to second the nomination of Comrade Bryant for Junior Vice Department Commander. He has always carried the national colors and you always find Comrade Bryant ready for business. I heartily support his nomination for the office of Junior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade Wilson: I second the name of Comrade Bryant for the office of Junior Vice Department Commander.

A Comrade: I have been acquainted with Comrade Bryant for a number of years and I have always found him true blue.

A Comrade: He has been tried and found not wanting, and I wish that Comrade Bryant might be elected to the position of Junior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

The name of F. J. Kelton was withdrawn.

Comrade Lawrence: The Comrade has withdrawn his name so that it makes it unanimous for Comrade Bryant. I move you that the rules be suspended and the Adjutant General be instructed to cast the ballot of this encampment for Comrade Bryant for the office of Junior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. Seconded and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: According to instructions from this encampment, I declare the unanimous vote of this encampment in favor of Comrade Bryant for the office of Junior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Department Commander: I declare Comrade Allison L. Bryant elected to the office of Junior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the ensuing year.

A Comrade: I understand there is but one Medical Director to be voted for and I move you that the rules of the encampment be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this encampment for the present incumbent, Robert Le Barron, for the office of Medical Director of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. He will, therefore, succeed himself.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, according to instructions from the Encampment, I declare the vote of the encampment cast for Robert Le Barron for the office of Medical Director of this Department for the ensuing year, thus succeeding himself.

Department Commander: I declare Robert Le Barron duly elected to the office of Medical Director of this Department for the ensuing year.

Comrade Lamb: I move you that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade Heininger for the office of Chaplain of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. Supported.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, according to instructions from the encampment, I cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade Heininger for the office of Chaplain of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Department Commander: I declare Comrade Heininger duly elected to the office of Chaplain of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the ensuing year.

Assistant Adjutant General: Comrades, it seems that they are not yet ready to report on the matter of Senior Vice Department Commander. There is yet a Council of Administration to select the members for.

Comrade Lamb: I desire to place in nomination on the Council of Administration a man who has had some experience, and I, therefore, place the name of Comrade Raab, a man who has been on the Council before; I know him, have had experience with him, and I know that he is an honest man and looks out for the interest of the boys.

Comrade Janes: I desire to support a man who also has had considerable experience along this line and I therefore nominate Comrade Lamb, of Post 17, to succeed himself on the Council of Administration.

Assistant Adjutant General: I shall place in nomination a Comrade to succeed himself, who has been an efficient member of the Council of Administration, Comrade H. A. Chapin, Post 31.

Comrade M. C. Barney: I want to place in nomination Comrade Lee. He is a business man. He is a good man for the place.

A Comrade: I want to place in nomination the name of Comrade Starkweather. He has been Quartermaster of the Department. He is a good business man; he is all right.

Comrade Schneider: I move you that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the ballot of this encampment for the five members on the Council of Administration of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the ensuing year. The Assistant Adjutant General will read the five names. Supported.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the Assistant Adj. Gen. be instructed to cast the ballot of this convention for the five names already recommended on the Council of Administration of

the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the ensuing year. Carried unanimously.

Assistant Adjutant General Spaulding: Department Commander, by instructions from the encampment, I cast the ballot of this encampment for the five names recommended on the Council of Administration of the Department of Michigan of the Grand Army of the Republic for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: I hereby declare the five Comrades whose names have been read by the Assistant Adjutant General, Comrades Raab, Lamb, Lee, Chapin and Starkweather, as duly elected on the Council of Administration of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the ensuing year.

Comrade Gardner: I desire to present the report of the Committee on Past Department Commander Dean and Past Department Commander Rankin at this time.

Your committee to whom was presented the sad duty of putting in form an expression of our sincere sorrow at the deaths of our late Comrades H. S. Dean, former Department Commander, and Henry C. Rankin, also former Department Commander, who died soon after being elevated to the position of Department Commander, desire to say that both of these Comrades were men of exceptionally good records in the great war and of great civic usefulness in the intervening years of peace. They were an honor to our common manhood and especially to our order. They were active, earnest and devoted members of the G. A. R. We miss their companionship in our annual gatherings and their wisdom in our councils. We hereby tender to the members of the bereaved families of these esteemed Comrades the assurance of our sincere sympathy in their great sorrow, and to the end of life we will appreciate the memory of these Comrades.

WASHINGTON GARDNER,
O. A. JANES,
E. C. ANTHONY,
E. C. CANNON,
JAMES VAN KLEECK,
S. J. LAWRENCE,
RILEY C. JONES,
LOUIS KANITZ,
FRANK R. CHASE,
JOHN NORTHWOOD,
JAMES M. GREENFIELD.

Comrade Washington Gardner: I move you the adoption of the resolution. I know there is no objection. Supported and unanimously carried.

Comrade Washington Gardner: You will observe in these resolutions nothing has been said about a badge to Comrade Rankin. As you know, he served less than thirty days. In combining the two in one resolution we thought it best to leave that out, and leave it entirely to the encampment to determine what, in their judgment, the encampment should do. Whether you feel that, with the length of this service, his family is entitled to this badge, or whether it should be established as a precedent

to control all future years and under like conditions. It is up to you, Comrades. The committee thought best not to make any recommendation and to leave it entirely to the encampment.

Comrade Parker: It is our misfortune and also a great sorrow to the family of Henry C. Rankin that he departed this life so soon after his election as Department Commander of the Department of Michigan. It is not his fault nor their fault. The cost of the badge is too little compared to that, and I move you that a Department Commander's badge, similar to those already purchased in years past, be purchased, that an appropriation be made therefor, and that said badge be procured and be presented to his family.

Comrade Raab seconded the motion. Comrade Raab then went on to say "I know his son will appreciate that badge more than any wealth that could be given to him."

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the sum of thirty-five dollars be appropriated for a Past Department Commander's badge to be presented to the immediate family of former Comrade Henry C. Rankin. Unanimously carried.

Comrade Lamb: While we are waiting for the report of the Bay City delegation, I move you that we proceed to elect a delegate at large. It is necessary that we elect an alternate also and then we have twenty-three others to elect. Supported.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that we proceed to elect a delegate at large, an alternate and twenty-three other delegates. Carried.

Comrade Brown, Post 32: I would like to place in nomination Comrade E. R. Havens, of Lansing.

Comrade Parker: Department Commander, you have heard, repeatedly, and I know with great delight, the delightful voice of Comrade Bartlett. That Comrade ought to have a national reputation and I nominate him as Delegate at Large from the State of Michigan to the National Encampment at Kansas City. Last year we hoped to get him the Delegate at Large. We intended to have him sent to the encampment, and I think, in view of all the services which he has performed and in view of the fact that there is no better Grand Army Man in the State of Michigan, he ought to receive that honor. We would like to have him charm the National Encampment with his splendid voice.

Comrade Lawrence: I move you that we vote on Comrade Stephens for Senior for Senior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade Raab: I move you that we vote for Comrade M. M. Andrews, of Bay City, for the office of Senior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Department Commander: You have heard the motion; that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade M. M. Andrews, for the office of Senior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. Carried unanimously.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, according to the instructions of the encampment, I cast the ballot of this encampment for Comrade M. M. Andrews, of Bay City, for the office of Senior

Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

Department Commander: I declare Comrade M. M. Andrews, of Bay City, duly elected to the office of Senior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: We shall now move to the selection of delegate at large and I move you that the delegate at large be Comrade Charles A. Bartlett. He to be appointed delegate at large to attend the National Encampment at Kansas City.

Seconded and carried unanimously, the Assistant Adjutant General casting the ballot of the encampment for Charles A. Bartlett for delegate at large to the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held at Kansas City.

Comrade Lamb: It is now up to us to select the alternate. I move you that the ballot of this encampment be cast for Samuel D. Bailey, of Post 17, as alternate to the National Encampment to be held at Kansas City. Seconded.

Department Commander: It has been moved and supported that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of this encampment for Comrade Samuel D. Bailey for alternate to the National Encampment to be held at Kansas City.

Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander, according to instructions from this encampment, I cast the ballot of this encampment for Samuel D. Bailey for alternate to the National Encampment to be held at Kansas City.

Department Commander: Comrades, I declare Samuel D. Bailey duly appointed alternate to the National Encampment to be held at Kansas City.

The following delegates and alternates were then elected:

DELEGATES.

Charles B. Andrews	Redford
Albert Dunham	Jackson
C. F. Fuller	Vermontville
Charles L. Seekell	Three Rivers
Abraham Eddy	1031½ S. Division St., Grand Rapids
Edwin R. Havens	Lansing
William I. Marks	Millington
H. W. Holcomb	Portland
A. J. Teed	Cadillac
W. H. Hubbard	807 Polk St., Bay City
John G. Barry	Vanderbilt
Ira Carley	Ingalls
George A. Winslow	Equity Bldg., Detroit
H. A. Chapin	512 Michigan Ave. West, Lansing
Hiram Russell	Bay City
M. C. Barney	505 Canfield Ave., Detroit
Joseph Jewett	Mason
A. S. McWilliams	85 Marston Ave., Detroit
H. W. Stephens	Tecumseh

A. A. HaskellAvoca
 Josiah Creque212 W. Pearl St., Jackson
 A. J. PhillippMarshall
 George W. Downey305 Eleanor Place, Kalamazoo

ALTERNATES.

William F. TrebineEquity Bldg., Detroit
 W. W. CrockerJackson
 P. M. FisherBattle Creek
 C. W. ErwinBenton Harbor
 John Barrett346 Eastern Ave., N. E., Grand Rapids
 E. K. StarkweatherNorthville
 Elijah HowardR. F. D., Millington
 Leonard S. BowlesOwosso
 R. C. NorrisBoon
 J. R. FosterEvart
 Abram Van AukenVanderbilt
 P. C. BeanstonMarquette
 D. S. Kimball183 Seward Ave., Detroit
 W. O. LeePort Huron
 George W. HowePort Huron
 D. A. MooreBig Rapids
 J. A. CaseMillington
 T. D. NelsonIshpeming
 Charles MillerMuskegon
 E. J. ReeseDetroit
 B. A. ParmenterNorthville
 Byron WinchesterJackson
 John C. LangdonKalamazoo

Comrade Manning: I move that the Assistant Adjutant General draft a note of thanks for the kind way in which they have treated us in Bay City during the annual encampment.

Unanimously carried.

NEXT PLACE OF ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

An invitation was extended to the encampment that it be held next year in Battle Creek.

June 20, 1916.

Mr. A. S. Parker, Commander Farragut Post 32:

My Dear Mr. Parker: I understand there is an effort being made on the part of the Grand Army of Battle Creek to bring the State encampment to this city next year. Should you see fit to visit Battle Creek we will do all in our power to make your stay in the city both agreeable and pleasant. We will assist you in every way to make your re-union successful.

Yours respectfully,
JAMES W. MARSH,
 Mayor.

Battle Creek, Mich., June 20, 1916.

Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic:

In behalf of the citizens of Battle Creek and for the Chamber of Commerce, we wish to extend to you a most cordial invitation to hold your next annual convention in the city of Battle Creek. We wish to assure you that we stand ready to co-operate with you in every way possible to make your convention a success and to assist you in enjoying it to the fullest degree. Battle Creek offers many inducements to delegates and visitors, the great sanitarium, the big food plants, and the many other manufacturing plants are well worth seeing. Hotel accommodations, and transportation facilities are of the best.

With every good wish for the success of your convention and assuring you that we heartily wish you to accept our invitation for next year, we are,

Very truly yours,
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
Grant S. Bennett, Secretary.

An invitation was extended by the Lansing Chamber of Commerce, through its secretary, Mr. Davis. Also letter from City Council, J. G. Reutter, Mayor, and John McClellan, City Clerk.

June 19, 1916.

Mr. Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Bay City, Michigan:
Grand Army of the Republic, in Convention Assembled:

Greetings: The Lansing Chamber of Commerce wishes to extend to the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Michigan, a most cordial and sincere invitation to hold your next encampment in the capitol city. We respectfully call your attention to the fact that Lansing is situated in the central part of the State and is unexcelled for its railroad facilities. We have ample hotel accommodations and will guarantee that the prices will not be raised in any instance. We are advised by the State officials that the capitol, the Michigan Agricultural College, the School for the Blind and the Industrial School, together with the various manufacturing concerns, will be open for your inspection. In conclusion have to advise that the Chamber of Commerce will do all in its power to make your encampment a very pleasant one should you decide to hold your next annual encampment in the capitol city.

Very respectfully,
LANSING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
Chas. H. Davis, Secretary.

June 19, 1916.

To the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Michigan:

Gentlemen: The Mayor and Clerk of the City of Lansing take pleasure in extending to you the invitation of the City Council of the city of Lansing to hold your next State encampment in this city. The follow-

ing resolution was unanimously passed at the session of the City Council of June 19, 1916:

“By Ald. Neller: Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Lansing, That we extend to the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Michigan, now in session in Bay City, an invitation to hold their next State encampment in the City of Lansing, assuring them of our co-operation in making the meeting next year a successful one should this invitation be accepted.

“Resolved further, That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to extend this invitation on behalf of the City Council.”

Trusting that it may be your pleasure to honor our city with your presence, we remain,

Your respectfully,

J. G. REUTTER,

Mayor.

JOHN McCLELLAN,

City Clerk.

A Comrade moved that the next convention be held at Battle Creek.

Comrade Foster, Post 42: I am placed in a very peculiar position by the reading of these two invitations from our Chamber of Commerce and our City Council, but we will be glad to have you members of the Grand Army of the Republic come to Lansing. The latch string is also open for the G. A. R., yet I believe that it is only right and fair that under the circumstances we should waive any claim for the next convention to be held there, and I shall support the motion that has been made that our next encampment be held at Battle Creek.

Comrade Martin, Post 35: There seems to be due to the encampment an explanation on my part. The city of South Haven was going to extend an invitation, and I was so informed, but I have not received the proper credentials and neither has the Assistant Adjutant General. There is some mixup, somewhere, but I thought it was up to me to make this explanation. We have fallen down somewhere.

Department Commander: It is moved and supported that the next encampment be held in the city of Battle Creek.

Unanimously carried.

A Comrade: We were invited to Battle Creek last fall, our association was, and they certainly treated us royally, and I don't think the encampment has made any mistake for they are really a bunch of fine fellows over there and they certainly know how to extend hospitality and they make you feel right at home from the start.

After these remarks the encampment was closed, in due form, to meet next year in the City of Battle Creek.

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

CHILDREN'S CAMP FIRE, WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BAY CITY,
WEST SIDE, TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 20th, 1916.

Rev. Marvin: We are going to have a drum and fife corps in place of the orchestra, and part of the players are connected with the Michigan Department of the Grand Army of the Republic.

PRAYER BY REV. MARVIN, OF THE WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

We invoke the divine blessing upon us this year, Almighty God. God of all nations, Thou dost look with infinite tenderness and love upon all the children of men. We come before Thee with the interests of this great Nation in our hearts and invoke Thy divine blessing. Thou dost rule Thy children on the earth by the revelations of Thy will. In the midst of all the stream of human life there is that current which makes for righteousness and which tells the presence of the Divine Power and the Divine Spirit. That which is in our own hearts, love to mankind, sympathy for the suffering, desire to uplift, to refine, to perfect, we recognize as coming out of Thine own ministry to us and as the working out of the divine program of human life. Do Thou create in us more and more a spirit of fellowship and of good will toward men. May all the influence of our lives and all the ministry of our work go for the establishment of the universal brotherhood. Guide us to this end, for Christ's sake, Amen.

Comrade Charles A. Bartlett, accompanied by Mrs. Hattie Vaughan, of Detroit, on the piano, then sang "When the Boys of Blue Are Gone."

Just previous to his song, Comrade Bartlett said: On Saturday morning I received a telephone message from Mrs. Bailey, of the Relief Corps, saying that some lady in Bay City wanted me to sing to the children at their camp fire, and I changed my dates so that I could sing to the children at their camp fire in Bay City. I am very glad to have the opportunity to do so. If there is anything which I like to do it is to sing for the children and I am sorry that I do not have the opportunity to do this more than I do. I enjoy it so much.

Wand drill by twelve young girls dressed in white.

Rev. Marvin: I shall call upon Major Wilcox, if he is in the audience, to tell us a story. (Applause.)

REMARKS BY MAJOR WILCOX.

Friends and fellow citizens of West Bay City and the children: I am here unexpectedly tonight. I have been requested to tell a little story for the benefit of the children and I intend to do so. I do not know whether I can be heard distinctly or not but I shall try to do the best I can. Gatherings of this kind are really something worth while even for an old man. If I had suspected when I was much younger and during the troubles of our country that I would be in front of an audi-

ence like this I would have thought that it would have been a miracle. It is a glorious occasion. Yesterday about three thousand children swung the flag, and it seems to me that it was one of the finest sights I ever witnessed. These exercises tonight have pleased me; the exercises which were given by the young girls, and then again the Comrade who sang for us. He said he would do the best he could. He must have been a crackerjack years ago, for he sang so nicely tonight. He did very well, tonight, better than I could do and better than I expect to do myself. It is too late in life to expect us to do very much. History is repeating itself constantly; things are occurring every year. In 1861 we heard the same calls of our country that we hear across the water in Europe. That is nothing new. It is done in every century at least. Frederick the Great did what is now being done in Europe, and we are interested in preserving ourselves, and now we ask that you do the very best that you can to save that country at the present time; but I do not think it is necessary to have anyone talk to you about that subject. I was requested to tell you a little army story and I will do it. I do not know whether I will interest you very much, but I think it is the grandest story that ever occurred on the battlefield. It is a glorious one and it started away back in 1862 when the Twenty-second regiment of Michigan Infantry was in service. There was a young school boy in Oakland county, he was not twenty years of age; in fact he was teaching in the old schoolhouse. I saw it the other day. It stands in the field there where he taught school in his day. He enlisted in the Twenty-second Michigan Infantry, and the little story which I want to relate to you is connected with him. It shows the spirit of patriotism, of the intelligence of the American youth, and their determination to do the best they can, under all circumstances, for the good of our country. That regiment went into the field, I believe it was Governor Wisner who took it and he was considerable of a man. There were others who were very brave in that regiment, and in other regiments, but the one I refer to belonged to that regiment. He did a splendid work in that school. When I went to Detroit at the reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic I met there one of his scholars from the school in the township of Avon. He is one of the professors of the Carnegie Institute; he is the President of the Carnegie Institute, which is a greater position than to be President of the United States. We had a glorious, good time. This regiment was stationed down at a town called Franklin, in middle Tennessee, about ten miles below Nashville, and the rebel army was under the command of Gen. Van Dorn—several thousand men. Colonel Baird was down at Harpeth River, and the town of Franklin is located on that river, and he had a force of about fourteen hundred men as a picket guard to guard that town and the crossing of the river there and Holgate. Several feet higher than the river there was a stretch of timber running across from a school building to the river of about three hundred yards, and there it ended. There was considerable heavy timber on the side of the river and Van Dorn had sent a rebel officer of cavalry to capture Col. Baird and take possession of the location; he had with him about six or eight thousand men, so he said, and he came down on a great boom with those men, some several thousand of them, and sent word over to Col. Baird to surrender the

town or he would massacre the whole crowd. Colonel Baird went to Lieut. Holgate and said: "Lieutenant, we must get information into Nashville; I want you to send a message into Nashville for recruits and help." Lieutenant Holgate brought his six men out in front of him, right beside this schoolhouse; it was about six or eight feet above the surface of the earth and he said: "Boys, which one of you will volunteer to get notice to the next station, three miles distant, and then ten miles further on to Nashville, for help?" A young man by the name of Robinson volunteered at once and he prepared himself and climbed up onto that platform. They had a flag, about four feet wide and six feet long, which they waved in a certain way to get information to the authorities toward Nashville, so that, as he got on this platform, the enemy fired a volley of bullets and one went right through his body. Col. Baird said: "Holgate we must have those reinforcements." Holgate said to the boys: "Who will volunteer to do this work." Of course they knew it was death for any one to attempt it. Of course they hesitated, but it wasn't because they did not want to volunteer. They were ready to obey orders. One young man said: "Colonel, I think we can ride a horse to the next station in about fifteen minutes and that will avoid those shots." He was gone a little while and came back with his horse lost and he was nearly lost, and they were between the Colonel and the next station. Colonel Baird said: "We must have those reinforcements; this information must be sent to Nashville." Holgate then took his four men who were remaining and placed them down in line. He took four pieces of paper and marked them 1, 2, 3 and 4. Number one would have to take the flag up and hold it until they got the response from the next station, and then go a certain ways to carry the information. There was young Butterfield, this schoolteacher from Michigan, and he drew number one. He felt, at first, that he could not do it; at first of course he was nervous. Let me say that a man who has never been on a field of battle before ever goes into battle without being nervous at first, so it was to be expected that he would show some traces of nervousness when attempting this task. This is a disagreeable feeling, and no man knows how he will stand up until he has tried it. It is something like trying to speak to an audience on this platform. My knees tremble right now. (Applause.) He threw off his coat; he took the flag in his hand. He climbed up on that platform in full sight of those rebels. The moment he appeared a cloud of lead appeared in front of him. He held the flag there until he saw the response yonder. Yet he waved that flag until the sentence was finished, and when the sentence was finished he fell down on the ground, supposedly dead. They went to him, picked the boy up, looked him over; he was not killed, but there were four bullet holes through his trouser legs and two through his shirt sleeves. The top of his cap was shot away, and there were a number of bullet holes through that flag. In a little while, they brought in a rebel prisoner and the first thing that rebel said was, "I want to see the man who waved that flag; he is the bravest man this side of Hell!"

Solo and chorus, Red, White and Blue, Mrs. Crawford, six girls, six boys.

ADDRESS BY COMRADE RILEY L. JONES, OF SAGINAW.

Comrades, Women of the Relief Corps, Allied Societies, Ladies, Gentlemen, and Children: That includes you all, because we are all children of a larger growth, and the little saying holds good. I have been requested by this committee to give to the children some personal recollections. So if I talk about myself too much don't lay it to egotism but to the looks of the ladies. My earliest recollections go back so far that I am afraid the children will think my name should be Methusalem. Over seventy years ago my mother died when I was an infant and left me to the care of a grandmother. I only wish that every orphan child might fall into such kind and noble hands, for I thought that my grandmother was one of the finest, if not the finest, woman in the world. Do you know that during all these seventy years, while I may have changed my opinion a good many times on some subjects, I never have changed my opinion on that subject. They tell me there are women in this country today who are singing, "I did not raise my boy to be a soldier." I have never heard that song. I have no wish to hear it. I do not believe I would ever care to associate with women of that character. I prefer to associate with women more like my grandmother, the members of the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., patriotic women. When war came grandmother had no particular use for a molley-coddle. I think, today, the young man who will not do his utmost to protect his country's honor is hardly worth the protection of a free government. She was proud of her lineage and descendants. She was proud of the record of her soldier father, who served as an officer in the Continental Army through seven years of war. In these later days, she was proud of the record made by her grandsons, for she had eight grandsons in the Union Army during the Civil War.

One of the object lessons of my boyhood days was two old pistols. They were in use during the Revolutionary War. They were very large. They called them horse pistols; I suppose because they were much too large to be carried by a foot soldier, and so I always pictured my grandfather, in my mind, as being a very large, strong man mounted on a very large, strong horse. My imagination made him almost a giant, because I thought that a man who could take those two pistols one in either hand must be a very large, strong man, but when I came to be a boy fifteen or sixteen years of age I found that it did not require a very large man to handle those pistols after all, for I used to handle them myself in that time, and I used to save all my pennies for a long time and pennies used to come pretty hard to me at that, but I saved them for nearly a whole year for the purpose of buying powder to feed those old pistols on the Fourth of July. When the Fourth of July came I was up bright and early. I didn't have to be called that morning. I am free to confess to you boys here that it was the only day in the year that I didn't have to be called, but I was up before it was daylight. I dropped down stairs in my bare feet and I would get out in the yard, get out my stock of powder, and I would load up the old pistols, put powder in them, and then I would raise the pistol over the fence and pull the trigger. Well, sometimes, it went off the first time, but occasionally I would have to pull up three or four times before it would go off; when it did go off it would wake up the whole neighborhood, and

then I was perfectly happy, for this was my first announcement to my neighbors that the Fourth of July had come. I kept up the racket just as long as the powder lasted.

Well, when the time came that my country wanted my services, in 1861, I enlisted in the first regiment of cavalry that was raised in my State, and went to the front, and from that time for nearly three years I endured all the vicissitudes and dangers of a soldier's life in camp and battlefield, for I was engaged in more than sixty different battles, large and small, and, with never a day's sickness; it was something of an unusual record. I held the record as the man who, in all that time, was never absent from duty, and my captain used to introduce me after the war was over as the boy who never missed roll call. But my time was to come. On the twenty-fourth day of June, 1864, our division of cavalry was sent to hunt up the rebel cavalry in the morning, and we soon found them. They found us at the same time. (Laughter.) They gave us a very warm reception. When we speak about warm receptions now-a-days we think of a hearty clasp of the hand and smile and pleasant words of greeting. But there was nothing of that kind there I can assure you; entirely different—entirely different. No one thought they wanted to see us but they did. For twelve long hours after we had dismounted and sent our horses back to the rear we fought on foot and for twelve long hours we fought in the heat of the June sun in Virginia, charged upon by cavalry and infantry, played upon by shot and shell and driven back from position after position, overpowered by numbers, sometimes almost surrounded, until just at nightfall. Just as it was growing dusk I saw the rebel cavalry coming upon a mounted charge upon our lines. I fired the last shot from my carbine when they were not far away, and the next instant I felt a stunning blow upon my right shoulder and I fell upon my face with a useless right arm flung over my head. Above and around me I seemed to hear, almost as if in a dream, the tremble of horses' feet. There was considerable noise and confusion and above all this I could hear the yell of the rebels, and it seemed as though I were in a dream but it was not a dream. I found that I had been shot through the right shoulder, my right arm totally disabled, covered with dust and blood from head to foot, and, worst of all, a prisoner in rebel hands. Almost fainting from the loss of blood and pain I was marched back to their rear in the care of two rebels. Why it should take two to guard me at that time I do not know. Perhaps they thought I was going to take the whole rebel cavalry as prisoners, but that was far from my mind; I would not attempt that. Well, they got me back to the rear. There I was allowed to lie upon the ground all night. In the morning there was a little relief. I got all the water I wanted and that was about all I got in the next two months. As I was sitting upon the steps of St. Mary's church a rebel soldier came along and saw a silk handkerchief tied around my arm. He stopped and wanted to trade handkerchiefs with me. He was very nice about it, different from some of the rest of them. He did not say that he would have it anyhow, but he suggested that my handkerchief was bloody and his was clean and that it would be a good trade for both of us. I did not want to trade because I had had previous experience trading with the rebels. The first man who helped to lift me up noticed

that I had a watch and he wanted that watch. Well, he got it all right. We went along a little ways. Another man noticed that I had a black soft hat which he admired very much and he wanted that hat. Well, he got it; simply took it off my head and put it on his own head and gave me his old cap. Now you know that cap did not look good to me. It was ragged, it was dirty, and I had a little suspicion that there was something in that cap which I did not want. The result was that I went bareheaded the next two months. They say going bareheaded is good to make the hair grow; that probably accounts for the amount of hair on the top of my head. (Laughter.) Well, when we got back to the rear, I was lying on the ground. Another man came along. He discovered that I had on a pair of calf-skin boots and he wanted the boots. The result was that I went barefoot for the next two months, so you can see that I did not relish trading. I was not in a position to refuse, so I traded handkerchiefs with the rebel soldier. He got mine and I got his and I am going to show it to you. It is not in first-class condition but I am going to exhibit it, and let you see for yourselves if I made a good trade or not. Here is the rebel soldier's handkerchief which he traded for mine fifty-two years ago next Saturday. I don't suppose any of the Bay City merchants would want to put that in their window as a sample of the goods which they are selling, but I want to assure you that you would have to give me the price of a good many handkerchiefs before you would get this one. You boys who have studied natural philosophy have understood that the part can never be greater than the whole, but unless my eyes deceive me there is a hole in that bigger than the handkerchief. I have here also another object lesson. This little bible. I had it in my pocket when I was wounded and the blood soaked through the book. This bible was presented to me by the United States Christian Association, in 1863. Well, you would have to pay pretty high to get that.

What does the flag mean to you. Is it just simply a piece of bunting with bright colors, to be used in parades and for decoration purposes, or does it appeal to you as being the emblem which was carried by our soldiers through victories and defeats. Does it appeal to you as it appeals to us who have fought for it. Does it remind you of Lexington, Valley Forge and Yorktown? Does it speak to you? Does it speak to you as it speaks to us of the battlefields of Shiloh, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Lookout Mountain, and Sherman's March to the Sea? Does it speak to you as it speaks to us of the terrible slaughter at Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Cold Harbor, and the shot and shell in the terrible battle of the Wilderness and at Appomattox. Do you wonder that we love that old flag, and we would give our lives if need be? It is the most beautiful flag on the face of the earth. Do you wonder that we call it Old Glory?

About two months after the time that I was taken prisoner there was a body of men, about seventy-five or eighty, who filed out of an old tobacco factory in Richmond, Virginia, one morning early. You would hardly have thought they were soldiers, for the only uniform that they had on was a uniform of rags. They were a sorry lot, some on crutches, some sick, but they were happy that morning; they were prisoners of war going to be exchanged. They staggered out down across the street, down

onto the dock and upon an old steamer which was to take them down the river. It was only a few miles down the river but it seemed as though the journey would never end. Those men had been existing for months upon a little piece of corn bread, about the size of my two fingers, twice a day, and that day, because they were going to be exchanged, the ration was cut down to less than half, merely a mouthful. These men were literally starved, and that journey was a long one, but it ended finally. They got on shore and marched across the neck of land, perhaps a mile or so, and then they came in sight of a great, big white steamer getting ready to take them on board. But they first discovered a row of men with baskets on their arms and in those baskets were sandwiches, and by sandwiches I do not mean the kind of sandwiches which the women serve at afternoon teas. There were no fancy styles at that time, or at least at that particular time. They were great, big slices of bread, well-buttered, and big slices of beef between them. Now, I suppose all you children have seen the sleight of hand performers and seen them make things disappear. Well, you ought to have seen those sandwiches disappear! They disappeared faster than anything I ever saw. And there was a great big cup of coffee and it was piping hot, and the aroma of that coffee! I presume most of you have heard about the nectar of the gods on Mt. Olympus. It could not compare to that coffee. They wanted some more, but the doctor said "No, you will have to wait awhile," and so they again laid down on the ground and began to feel a little more like men and when they began to feel good they felt as all good Americans feel; they want to say something, want to relate something. One began to call for Baker. They wanted Baker to get up and say something. Well, Baker was used to speaking and so he began to talk, and he raised up his hand to quiet them and started to say something and just then the stars and stripes were floating on the top of that great, big white steamer and all he could say was: "Boys, Boys, Old Glory," and he covered his face with his hands and sobbed like a child. What did that flag mean to him? It meant life, hope, home, friends, and above all, it meant the word Liberty. (Applause.)

Rev. Marvin: I am requested to announce that there will be a general campfire at the Armory tomorrow evening, and you are all invited to be present.

"Michigan, My Michigan," was then sung by the Girls' Glee Club.

PRESENTATION OF FLAG TO WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL BY MYRTIE RHEINFRANK.

Comrades, Ladies, Gentlemen and Boys and Girls of the Western High School of Bay City: It certainly affords me the greatest of pleasure to have this opportunity of speaking to the boys and girls of the Western High School of Bay City; they are our citizens of tomorrow. I am sure that this is the happiest night in my life. I want to tell you that I am proud that I am the daughter of one of the soldiers; one who wore the blue. That boy, at the age of sixteen years, left home and mother and went to the defense of his country. And then I am proud that I am a member of the Woman's Relief Corps; an organization second only to one, and that is the Grand Army of the Republic. June 14, 1777, our

Continental Congress passed an act: "Resolved, That the flag of the United States shall have thirteen horizontal stripes and that there shall be thirteen stars." This was the flag unfurled at Germantown. This was the flag that helped to cheer the soldiers during that winter at Valley Forge and waved triumphantly at the surrender of Cornwallis. That was our flag until 1794, when Congress passed an act that on and after April 1, 1795, the flag of the United States should be fifteen stripes and that the Union be fifteen stars, all white, in a blue field. This was the flag during the War of 1812 up to 1819. This was the flag carried by George Washington. On April 1, 1818, the following act was passed by Congress, and it has never been changed: "Resolved, That from the fourth day of July, 1818, the flag of the United States shall be thirteen stripes, red and white, and that the union be twenty stars, all white, in a blue field, and that upon the addition of a new State to the Union there should be placed in the blue field a white star for every new State admitted to the Union." Now, of course, the stars are thicker than they were in the beginning. Our original flag was designed by General George Washington, and today one hundred million people love and revere and recognize this flag as the national emblem. The American flag today is the wonder of the civilized nations; there are hundreds of thousands of patriots who have given up their lives for that flag, so it is very dear to all of us. How many have lost their lives in battles that you and I might enjoy this land of ours. I feel that we should not pass by without extolling the wonderful courage which these men showed on the field of battle so that we all might enjoy the privileges which we enjoy today. Now, it gives me the greatest pleasure, on behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps, to present to you and through you, Mr. Principal, to the boys and girls of the Western High School, this beautiful emblem. I ask you to accept it as a sacred token; love and revere it as your country's flag, and, boys and girls of Western High School, you who will be our citizens of tomorrow, you must maintain and preserve this glorious nation and keep for all time this emblem of a free and united country. (Applause.)

ACCEPTANCE OF FLAG, BY PROF. W. LE ROY PERKINS.

It was my privilege, several years ago, to visit some of our battlefields, to visit the home of Betsy Ross, in Philadelphia, where the first old glory was made, as has been described, where it was used at Valley Forge, where Washington spent those terrible winters. I spent some time on the scene of old Fort Henry in Baltimore, where the Star Spangled Banner was waving when Francis Key saw the flag floating and wrote "The Star Spangled Banner," but I think the one thing which brought the significance of this flag to me more forcibly than any other was when I stood at the battlefield of Gettysburg, at the so-called high water mark of the rebellion, a certain angle on that battlefield against which the rebels charged. It was defended most valiantly, partly by a regiment of Michigan soldiers. Our country in its great crises has been defended freely by its sons. It was not necessary to force men to join the army in our great wars. They came freely, voluntarily. In our Spanish-American War armies were created almost in a day. We are now turning to another crisis in our history today. In all the papers

of today we have been taught that this country stands at a point where it must defend its honor, and only today young men have been joining our National Guard eager to defend the flag.

You present this flag to us at the most opportune time, this flag which you present to Western High School. It will be before our students in the schoolroom. They will remember what this flag has cost to you Women of the Relief Corps and to you members of the Grand Army of the Republic; they will remember the life blood which many of you shed, and this flag will be to our students an emblem of freedom to be protected even by the sacrifice of blood and life. I am sure that this gift of yours will be more than appreciated by the present and future students of the Western High School, and they will give themselves freely in order that this country and the flag which represents it shall not perish from the earth. On behalf of the students and the teachers of Western High School, I desire to thank you. (Applause.)

Another song was rendered by Comrade Charles A. Bartlett, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Hattie Vaughan, of Detroit.

Benediction was then given by Rev. Mr. Marvin, after which the audience sang America, when the gathering was dismissed.

GENERAL CAMP FIRE, ARMORY, WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert: I would like to have your attention now.

INVOCATION BY CHAPLAIN HEININGER.

Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for all the blessings which Thou hast bestowed upon us during the past year. We thank Thee that in the early days of this country Thou gavest to the men who undertook the Revolutionary War the courage to go on with the struggle and thus we became an independent nation; in 1861 the dark cloud of war spread over us, and when our noble President Lincoln called for volunteers, they came from the east, they came from the west and from the north and south, and we laid ourselves at the altar of our country willing to suffer death if necessary that the great government at Washington might live. We thank Thee that today we are a united people from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico. We thank God for the privileges which we enjoy. Bless the Chief Executive of this Nation and his advisers. May they, in this critical period, have wisdom and may they have courage to do the right that we as a country may have peace and quiet, and if, perhaps, it is otherwise ordered that we should get into deadly conflict with our southern neighbor, help us to do that which is right and help us to have the courage to make any sacrifice possible for the cause of right and humanity. We pray Thy blessings upon the old Comrades who are here attending the annual encampment tonight. We thank Thee that so many of their lives have been spared up to the present time. Bless those who are sick; those

who are suffering from disease, from wounds. Bless the widows and orphans. Bless those who gave their lives to sustain this our glorious Government, and we pray Thy special blessing upon the women of the Relief Corps, those noble women who have done so much to cheer us and help us along in the journey of life. We pray Thy special blessing upon the Sons and Daughters of Veterans; as we are becoming aged we will have to step off the place of action. May they take our places capably and worthily and may they help to perpetuate this grand and glorious country. We pray Thy special blessing upon the citizens of Bay City. We thank Thee for their enthusiasm; we thank Thee for their hospitality. We pray God's blessing upon them. Help us to lead noble lives. We ask this humbly in Jesus name. Amen.

Comrade Gilbert: Were it otherwise we know that our Mayor would be glad to address this meeting in person because I know that he has a warm heart for the Grand Army men, the veterans of the civil war and the several associations that are meeting here with us at this time. Our Mayor is what they say "under the weather." His voice is nearly gone. He has been saying so many good words of late to our visitors that he requests that we listen to an address of welcome to be delivered by Lovell U. Grant, an eloquent speaker, who will address you in behalf of the Mayor.

ADDRESS BY LOVELL U. GRANT, OF BAY CITY, IN BEHALF OF MAYOR KELTON.

Comrades, Allied Associations, Ladies and Gentlemen: I think there is one thing that the speaker did not let you in on, and that is a secret, and there is an old saying that it is an ill wind that does not do somebody some good. I am going to take advantage of the fact that the Mayor is not able to address you because of having lost his voice over in Chicago. When I came here this evening I promised him that I would not say anything along the line of politics, and I am not going to tell you who he was shouting for over in Chicago, but he was there, and when the chairman says that I am going to deliver a speech, I am going to say to you that I am going to read a speech prepared by the Mayor and it would have been delivered by him had he not lost his voice over at Chicago. (Applause.)

I feel it a high honor to have been asked to attend this campfire. To be asked to come and spend the evening with those who so valiantly have defended us in two wars, who, with that feeling of great patriotism laid aside all personal issues, rushed to the defense of their country. There is no sentiment, nor higher ideal to be reached, than by true patriotism. Patriotism is the keynote and root of all good that must reflect itself in a better manhood.

It is always a fine thing to meet your friends, but it is not given to those who have not served their country actively to know the joys of talking over old battles and campaigns. To meet old Comrades is more than meeting anew a dear friend, because Comrades have a bond of sympathy unknown in the province of mere friendship, forged by the mutual hardships and privations of war. Without doubt this campfire tonight will remind many of you of campfires in the south, in Cuba and in the Philippines, under very different auspices, the thoughts of which are not only an inspiration to you but a reminder that you have

a duty to perform—that you may teach the younger generation the sacred duties of citizenship and patriotism which you have learned in a harder school than we, thereby more vividly learned.

I do not say that patriotic thought is on the decline, but the ideals of love of country do need stimulating assistance, and no one is better prepared or fitted for this great service than the veterans of the G. A. R. and the kindred organizations in reunion here. The rarer an article the more highly valued and prized it must be. This holds true in human as well as in material affairs. Our heroes of the civil war are gradually leaving us for the great beyond, and it is our duty not only to respect and revere the memory of their deeds, but to honor without reservation the few remaining veterans. They and their comrades saved our nation, keeping it entire under the leadership of the sainted Lincoln. To the living alone can we convey and show our intense appreciation of their valued service. I want to welcome you all, most enthusiastically, to Bay City. We want you to feel at home, you own the city, make your wants known, command us and we will obey. May your stay here be pleasant and comfortable. We desire it so. Bay City is proud of her hospitality. We wish to prove and even better the degree of hospitality to you, because of your glorious record in your country's service. You must feel at home with us. We will compel that feeling, and, again, I want to thank you all for asking me to join you this evening.

Comrade Gilbert: Response by Department Commander Strong.

RESPONSE BY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, ELI STRONG.

Comrades and Friends: Mr. Mayor, on behalf of this Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, I want to thank you for your very cordial and hearty welcome to your city. We got the impression when our trains rolled into Bay City, on Monday afternoon, that we were welcome. That impression grew on us as we entered your city and as we began to see the signs, decorations, etc., and now, after receiving this hearty welcome, I know it is a fact.

Mr. Mayor, all of those old veterans before you are not originally of Michigan. Many of them served in other organizations, from other States, but they are now residents of this splendid Peninsular State. They are the remnants only of those grand armies that carried the flag through to victory and defeat, but in final triumph from the Ohio to the Gulf and from Washington to Appomattox. Excuse me, Mr. Mayor, for the pride I feel and perhaps show in presiding over such a body of men. Here, Mr. Mayor, are men who were with Grant at Vicksburg, at Shiloh, at Chattanooga, with Rosencrans at Chickamauga and Stone River; with Thomas at Franklin and Nashville, and with that gallant, magnificent Sherman in his March to the Sea. Here are men, Mr. Mayor, who were with McClellan. Before you are men who suffered defeat at Manassas, at Fredericksburg, at Chancellorsville; and at Gettysburg they rolled back the surging waves of the rebellion when it was at high water mark. Here are the men who were with Grant in the Wilderness, at Cold Harbor, at Petersburg, and, finally, at Appomattox.

We have marched over some of the streets of your beautiful city today, Mr. Mayor, and we are more than pleased at the magnificent, heartfelt reception which we have received.

Again I thank you, Mr. Mayor, for a kind and hearty welcome. (Applause.)

"The Sons of the Nation," was then rendered by the Thirty-third Regimental Band.

Comrade Gilbert: We have with us this evening a gentleman, a veteran of the civil war, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic; he hardly needs any introduction to this audience, he has been with you so many times. Comrade O. A. Janes, and he will act as our master of ceremonies. Colonel O. A. Janes, of Detroit.

REMARKS BY COLONEL O. A. JANES, OF DETROIT.

Mr. Chairman, my Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, Spanish War Veterans, allied associations and friends: I notice by the program, as printed, that another gentleman was assigned to this task of being master of ceremonies, and early in the evening I was notified by your citizen and my Comrade, L. A. L. Gilbert, that I had been drafted in his stead to perform that duty. Now, the duties of a master of ceremonies are something like that of a toastmaster at a banquet. You know a toastmaster is supposed to be a roastmaster instead of a toastmaster. Now, in this day and age of preparedness, I don't propose to be like the wheels of an automobile. You know I came from an automobile city, the greatest automobile city in the world. We manufacture the Fords and rival organizations have provided a conundrum upon the Ford: "Why is a Ford like a bath tub?" the answer is, "Everybody wants one, but nobody wants to be seen in one?" I want to say to those rival automobile companies, if there are any in this city, if you will just come down to Detroit I will show you more people in Ford automobiles than in any other automobiles. (Applause.)

Now, I notice by the program that it is some length in print. I do not know whether they are all going to respond or not. I shall assume that they will, and, in that event, as I look down the program, I see upon it some big guns. Now, boys, you know this, that the bigger the gun the longer the bore, so you may be prepared for a long bore when I call on you. Then, again, I don't want to trespass upon the time of these gentlemen and ladies who are to follow me. I don't want to be like the Frenchman at a banquet. There was an Englishman and a Frenchman. They were invited to deliver addresses at a banquet and there were several who preceded them, and, finally, the Englishman's turn came; it was about eleven o'clock at night and he got up and took one hour and three-quarters upon his subject. The result was that it was long after midnight and the audience at the banquet table had almost all retired to their homes. It came the Frenchman's turn and the toastmaster rose and said "I have the honor of introducing to you Mr. So and So." The French gentleman rose and said: "Mr. Chairman, zee ladies and zee gentlemen who are left. Zee gentleman who has just preceded me he speak one hour and three-quarters, and it is so far, so late, that I do not think I will cockroach on your time any longer," and he sat down. The Englishman then said to the Frenchman, "You

made a mistake, you used the wrong word. You said cockroach and you meant encroach." The Frenchman then said, "Well, Johnnie Bull, the only difference is in the gender." So I am not going to encroach upon the time of those who are on the program. But I want to say this, that I am heartily in accord with the response of our Department Commander in expressing his appreciation and our appreciation of the very pleasant time which we are having in Bay City, the reception, the patriotism displayed, the respect shown us, and, today, that great parade of preparedness, to see the industries of this city out in that parade and every one bearing aloft the stars and stripes, the emblem of sovereignty of America. (Applause.)

It is a lesson of patriotism that instills into the minds of the youth of America, that the American flag stands for freedom, justice, liberty and the right of self-government to everyone who bears forth its folds. (Applause.) I have no fear for the future of this country. All we need is to be prepared to furnish the implement or means of warfare, and we will furnish the men mighty quick if necessity calls. Down in the southwest that republic wants to try swords with us. They will find that there are half a million ready to cross the border, and they will defend the right of every American citizen or foreign citizen dwelling upon American soil. If we can have peace with honor, with integrity, with her or any other nation, that is our duty, but if we cannot have peace, rightly and justly, we are not "too proud to fight" and will fight for that right and that honor and that justice that belongs to us, with any nation in the world. That flag was born of blood; it is the flag of Washington, of Adams, of Jefferson; it is the flag that floated at Valley Forge and at Georgetown. It triumphed too, and that flag was also found on Lake Erie, and from there that message was sent by Commodore Perry, "We have met the enemy and they are ours." That flag again triumphed. (Applause.) That flag, later, floated over Mexican soil and will float over there again if necessity calls. In 1861 to 1865, when certain parties wanted to divide the Union and set up another government whose cornerstone was human slavery, again the loyal people of the north rallied to the response of Abe Lincoln. They went, two million, two hundred sixty-eight strong, and carried that flag through four years of trials and sacrifices, suffering and bloody triumph, and not a star was lost from its field. Then, later, when down in the neighboring islands, where for forty years tyrannical government had been oppressing those people and they cried out for help, that flag went there, relieved those people from those years of bondage; it went across the great waters there in the Bay of Cavite at Manila. The people of those islands have been made better people because of that flag being carried to them. So I say all honor and glory to the boys who went forward for the sake of humanity. Ah! it was planted upon the walls of China in response to a call for help for protection against the Chinese "boxers." It was planted there as a safeguard, as an emblem of safety to all who might dwell under its folds, and so I say that flag is a flag which every American citizen, whether foreign born or not, no matter what his nativity, has learned to revere, and other nations have learned to honor it because it upholds the law under all circumstances.

Now, we are going to have a song, "The Star Spangled Banner," by Miss Reta Newkirk. I want you all to rise to this national anthem and let your voice out upon the chorus.

Toastmaster: Now, Comrades, an unexpected pleasure has come to us tonight in the recent arrival of one whom you did not expect to be with us. It is the National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Carrie Alexander Bahrenburg, so I shall introduce you to her for a speech as the National President of the Woman's Relief Corps; she hails from Belvidere, Illinois.

ADDRESS BY MRS. CARRIE ALEXANDER BAHRENBURG.

Comrades of the G. A. R. and friends: I have an especially pleasant duty to perform tonight in bringing to you the greetings from your Commander-in-Chief, whom I left at Marshalltown last night at the campfire. I had to leave on the midnight train, travel all night and all day, and I just arrived, for the sole purpose of looking into your faces and saying that the people of Michigan are just as great and just as loyal as the people of Ohio, Iowa, or any other State where we have had the pleasure of sojourning.

In behalf of 165,000 loyal women, all over this great land of ours, from the east and the west, the north and south, I bring you greetings. The origin of the Woman's Relief Corps may be set back to the time when the first gun was fired on Ft. Sumpter, the one first battlefield was strewn with the wounded and dying soldiers. The call for volunteer soldiers necessitated volunteer nurses, and just as rapidly did the women respond to the call of their country as did the men. True, they did not shoulder a musket, although even such cases of bravery are not wanting. Thousands of women went to the front, Comrades, and administered to you as best they could. But while those went to the front there were tens of thousands who remained at home to take up the work where you left off. During the war societies sprung up in every hamlet and village and it was up to the women to do everything in their power to make the boys in blue, who were serving their country, more comfortable. They rolled bandages and wrote letters by the bushel to comfort the boys at the front. In April, 1866, in my own home state, Illinois, the Grand Army of the Republic had its birth. It tried in vain to relieve the sufferings and tried to fill every needy response, and soon they found it was not for man to be alone; again they asked the women of the country to come to their help, and upon the invitation of the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, some fifty-two women journeyed across the country from the east, and there were some from the west, and they organized what is today the largest and grandest charitable and patriotic organization of women on earth, the Woman's Relief Corps. To our pride be it said that, with the consent of the Grand Army of the Republic, we are permitted to call ourselves their auxiliary. The question of eligibility created quite a little bit of excitement at this convention. It was left an open question until the following year. There were those who contended that this organization should be rather an exclusive affair confined solely to the wives and relatives of the veterans. There were those who wanted

it broader, and they said, "Let it include the wives and relatives of soldiers and also the sweethearts.

"How many grand women there were, how many girls during those terrible days of 1861 to 1865 sent their sweethearts to the war; sweethearts who never returned, whose death was borne just as sincerely as the death of the husband of the bereaved widow. Are you going to debar these women, noble, loyal women of this privilege of co-operating with the Grand Army of the Republic?" So the following year in many of the States the eligibility clause of the Woman's Relief Corps was made to read as follows:

"Women of good, moral character and correct deportment, who have never given aid or comfort to the enemy of the Union, and who would perpetuate the principles for which the society stands, and who have reached the age of sixteen years, are eligible to the Woman's Relief Corps."

If there is any woman within the sound of my voice who is not a member of the Woman's Relief Corps, I should think she would feel ashamed. I should feel ashamed, for any woman to show in this feeble way the lack of appreciation of the services which have been rendered by the boys in blue. The objects of the Woman's Relief Corps are well known to most of you, and the women have not been resting on their oars.

Since its organization, in 1883, it has expended over five millions of dollars in relief, in memorial funds, and other ways in which we are trying to contribute to perpetuate the principles for which you fought. You know this, that we do not ask for charity, for the Woman's Relief Corps knows no charity for its feeling with the Grand Army of the Republic and its dependent ones. Whatever is given for them has been paid for twice, and thrice and more, over and over; it is a debt which the country can never repay. The Woman's Relief Corps has the honor of being the first one to institute patriotic teachings in the public schools, and today we are happy to say that the flag floats from every schoolhouse, and in the south as well as in the north the children give a salute and say: "One Nation, one flag." And that, my Comrades, we owe to you. The Woman's Relief Corps is not satisfied with flags in the schools. We are carrying them into the churches, and we have presented more than eight thousand flags to churches.

While we were in Lexington, Nebraska, some weeks ago, seated on the platform I noted a most beautifully stained window and on this window was the cross and entwined about it was our flag. Can you imagine anything grander than that? You cannot be a good Christian unless you are a good patriot. (Applause.) The Woman's Relief Corps believe that the cross and the flag should go side by side, and as Christ died to make men holy so you Comrades were willing and many of your Comrades did pay the price to make men free. The Woman's Relief Corps is going even further than that. We are making strenuous efforts with our aliens that they may have that emblem before their eyes. In my home town not a very long time ago, I had the pleasure of attending a naturalization proceeding. Now my friends, if you have never attended such a performance I would advise you to do so at the first opportunity. You will be very much amused and I am sure some of the

women will be surprised to learn how much some of these Italians do not know and yet some of them are turned into full-fledged American citizens, and Oh, how the women feel that there might be some magic touch by which the women of this country could be made citizens. A certain Italian wanted to take out his naturalization papers and I was picked out to coach him. To coach him the attorney thought would be necessary. I did not know as much about naturalization then as I do now. I found to my amusement, from the questions which were put to some who preceded my man, that there was a question that I had not instructed my man upon. The question asked of his predecessors was "Do you believe in polygamy?" Now, I didn't say a word to my man about polygamy, and I said: "Do you know what polygamy is?" "No." "Polygamy?" "Now," I said, "I want you to understand for the judge may ask you. Now, polygamy is having more than one wife at one time. Do you understand?" "Oh, yes, yes." So I went on the platform beside the judge and he got along famously. He could tell his name, and when he came to this country, and how many children he had, and whether they were at school, and he could even tell what the constitution of the United States is. Now put that question to yourself and see if you could answer that, and then came the crucial test: "Do you know what polygamy is?" He said "Yes, yes," and the judge said "Do you believe in polygamy?" "Yes, yes." It is needless to say that my man got another six months in which to brush up.

Do you know that puts me in mind of the confusion that the Grand Army of the Republic finds itself in? Not because it wants to. But here are two organizations of women. I do not know whether you have any in this great State, but I found some in Iowa and Wisconsin and other States. There are two organizations of women who claim the love and admiration of the Grand Army of the Republic. Now, the Grand Army of the Republic has given the Woman's Relief Corps the right to call themselves their auxiliary and we insist upon being No. 1. I would ask that the members of the Woman's Relief Corps see that flags are placed in the court rooms where naturalization takes place. Not very long ago, I am told by the Mayor of Chicago, in a class of twenty men ten refused to salute the stars and stripes. Now, my friends, if the laws are such that you cannot deport a man who refuses to salute the stars and stripes, let the women help change those laws, and then we will deport everybody who will not swear allegiance to the flag. (Applause.) Not very long ago a Spanish American War veteran was asked how many stripes there were in the flag and he could not answer the question.

Now I would like to ask the women to use the flag as an object lesson with your children. You can not begin too soon to impress upon the minds of the little children the meaning of the flag and you can commence by having them count the red and white stripes and the white stars in the blue field. You can also use it as an object lesson in the color scheme, and you cannot begin too soon to introduce into the child's mind what the flag means. When you consider that there are over fifteen million foreign born you can understand that it is up to us to get busy and teach these people what the ideals of this country stand

for. That, my friends, is true preparedness. We have guns and ammunition but the hearts of our people are not right.

A short time ago there was quite a reception on the Canadian border and many of the guests were beautifully gowned women. One happened to sit next to the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. This lady wanted to be courteous and she commenced the conversation, and said: "Oh, that flag, those stripes they just make me sick to look at them," and the Commander-in-Chief replied: "Well it may, madam, that flag makes everybody sick who tries to lick it."

I want to say for the benefit of the band a few words, and that is I hope they will never play "The Star Spangled Banner" in a medley. While attending a convention, the largest that we have in this country, a letter was received from the President of the Musicians' Union, in reply to a letter from our Vice-President, asking the Musicians' Union never to play "The Star Spangled Banner" in a medley or at the close of an entertainment, because the people naturally rise, and we want them to show their reverence to the national anthem by rising and remaining standing during the time it is played.

I am looking at your clock and it is only eight o'clock. I looked up there when I started and it was eight o'clock. There is something wrong somewhere. I don't want to find fault with your clock, however.

Toastmaster Janes: I think we all agree that we have had a real surprise, and we are glad to know this, that you had the courage to leave at midnight to get here and be with us on this occasion, when the Commander-in-Chief thought he had better sleep. Now, we have with us another national officer, one of the allied orders of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I want to say that this lady was my secretary and secretary of the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Comrade Gardner. She has been at National Headquarters as secretary to the Commander-in-Chief for some time, and is now at Cincinnati headquarters. I think she knows more Grand Army men by name than any Grand Army man in existence, and so I am going to introduce to you that lady who is now the National President of the National Alliance of the Daughters of Veterans, Miss Catherine A. Flood, of Newton, Massachusetts.

REMARKS BY MISS CATHERINE A. FLOOD.

Department Commander, my superior officer, Comrades and friends: I have not been to Chicago, but I have lost my voice and it is just coming back. Do you wonder that I clapped my hands when I saw the President of the Woman's Relief Corps coming. I knew the treat which was in store for the audience here, and I want to say that I felt rejoiced to see her coming. At the various encampments which I have attended we have had the pleasure of having the presiding officers of the five allied organizations, the Grand Army of the Republic, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons and Daughters, and when I came here to Michigan as the only presiding officer, I felt rather lonely. I had friends here, but I missed the Commander-in-Chief of the other two organizations and the National President, and I tell you, Comrades and friends, I am certainly glad to have reinforcements. I bring to you tonight the greetings of the

Daughters of Veterans, the daughters of those men who went out in 1861 to keep this Union one, the boys in blue, and as we watched the members of the National Guard this afternoon, parading, the thought came to me how much younger you boys were in 1861 than they were, and yet it fills my heart with dread to think that those boys may be facing guns within a week. I bring you the greetings of the Daughters all over the United States. We have the blood of those boys who saved the nation flowing in our veins. It is no wonder then that we are patriotic, that we are proud of that record. That badge means much to me. It means that my father was willing to go out and offer his life that his country might be saved, and so we daughters, we girls whose fathers wore the blue rejoice that our fathers were permitted to show their love of country. We rejoice that they were brave enough and patriotic enough to go out and offer their lives. During the Revolutionary War it was said "United we Stand, Divided We Fall," and in the years from 1861 to 1865 the boys in blue settled that question. We shall never fall for we shall not be divided again. We are one united country and we are going to remain united.

I want to say to you friends that no queen on earth could be prouder than I, for I am a soldier's daughter and father was one of the boys. (Applause.)

Toastmaster Janes: Is Comrade Bartlett in the room?

Comrade Bartlett: I am.

Toastmaster Janes: Well, you just come up on this platform and entertain these people for a little while.

Comrade Bartlett: All right. Thereupon Comrade Bartlett sang, accompanied by Mrs. Hattie Vaughan, of Detroit, on the piano, which was loudly applauded.

Toastmaster Janes: All I can say in behalf of Comrade Bartlett is that he is a member of Fairbanks Post of Detroit, and is known down there as "The Sweet Singer of Israel." (Applause.) Comrade Bartlett, where are the rest of the quartet. I would like to hear the "Veteran's Last Song." Whereupon that song was rendered by the following members of Fairbanks Post 17, Detroit: Charles A. Bartlett, Alex S. McWilliams, Thomas F. Payne, accompanied by Mrs. Hattie Vaughan, of Detroit.

Toastmaster Janes: Friends, I trust you will not leave the room for we have a real treat for you. It was expected that the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic would be here to address you tonight, but a conflicting date in Iowa prevents him from being present. We are fortunate in having a substitute, for this man was also elevated to that high position in the Grand Army of the Republic as their Commander-in-Chief. During his incumbency in that high position he went from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Lakes to the Gulf in his work, and he charmed the people both north and south with his eloquent, scholarly words. And so tonight he is to be that substitute, and I am going to say not only as a Past Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, but we Comrades hope that he will be the next Governor of Michigan. (Applause.) It gives me great pleasure, indeed, to introduce to you the Honorable Washington Gardner, Past Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. (Great Applause.)

Hon. Washington Gardner: Comrades and Friends: That is the music we used to go to bed by. That fellow does not know when it is bed time. I regret very much the absence of the Commander-in-Chief from this meeting. You have heard the President of the Woman's Relief Corps, and you have heard the President of the national organization known as the Daughters of Veterans. I never beg an audience to stay. If you do not want to stay, go. If I did not have to I would not stay either, so you are perfectly at liberty to go as far as I am concerned, but I was interested and charmed by the address of these two national officers whom we are glad to welcome with us tonight, and the present Commander-in-Chief is in their class. So you can realize what you have missed in not having him with us.

I shall endeavor not to detain you by any remarks that I may make tonight, but sitting back here and looking out upon this great audience of men and women, gathered from every part of Michigan, I have been wondering what it is that binds us so close together. What is it? It looms in larger proportion along the national border.

Gladstone, the greatest Englishman born in the last century, is credited with saying that the only justifiable war in the 200 preceding years was the war fought in the United States of America from 1861 to 1865. He did not say that it was the only war in which great men had shown their consummate heroism on the field of battle. As I understood Mr. Gladstone he meant to say that the war in which so many of these men fought fifty years ago was the only war in the two hundred preceding years which justified the sacrifice of flesh and blood and the consequent entailment of woe and suffering and desolation, because of the issues involved and the questions which were settled by that war. But were they? First and foremost I want to say to these young men here, and to some of the older people, the great fundamental question in that war was whether or not the union of States would be one and inseparable, or whether any State could go out of the Union whenever it saw fit to exercise what it claimed to be its sovereign right. That was the fundamental issue, my countrymen, in that conflict. And upon that issue the gauntlet of battle was thrown down. The constitution would not have been ratified under other conditions. It remained the one menacing thing to the Republic for eighty years of our national life.

Mr. Lincoln made that declaration when he came to the platform to take the oath of office on the fourth day of March, 1861, by saying this: "It is a fundamental principle that no nation ever placed in its organic law a provision for its own dissolution." You know the result. Lincoln called these old men, and they were boys, and they went to the front and fought it out. There had not been a twenty year period from the adoption of the constitution until 1861 that there had not been a threat made, upon one pretense or another, that they would go out of the Union. We have had more than fifty years of peace since Appomattox, and there has not been a word of intimation that anyone wants to go out of the Union. (Applause.)

That question was settled and settled forever that we are a Nation, a union of States, one and inseparable. (Applause.) That is what this great meeting means. I doubt if you can find a half-dozen men in this great audience here, three or even two men who enlisted in the war to

free the negro. We did not do any such thing. There was not any such intimation when we enlisted. The only great issue presented to us, when we enlisted, was to save the Union. Boys, that was the issue. To save the Union and not to free the slaves. (Applause.) And Mr. Lincoln declared that over and over again. Lincoln grew as the nation grew, in those four terrible years of war, and when on the fourth day of March, 1865, Abraham Lincoln stood on the eastern portico of the capitol and spoke to the great multitude in its front just before he took his second oath of office, referring to this question: "If God will that the war continue until all the wealth of two hundred and fifty years of unrequited toil, and until every drop of blood shall be paid and paid again with pounds as was said three thousand years ago." So still it must be said the judgment of the Lord was true, righteous always, and the Nation said "Amen" to that declaration.

Another question involved. President Lincoln gathered it all up in one brief sentence at Gettysburg when he said: "Fourscore and seven years ago, our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure."

It was all right then. "Testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure." That to my mind was the issue involved; insofar as this world was concerned it was a world fight, it was the fight of humanity. There was to be tested on the American continent the question as to whether man is incapable of self-government. (Applause).

The People should declare the issues and shall determine who shall die, and not the sovereign, if out of this may come, my countrymen, a larger liberty, greater self-government. Then the United States will not have fought and won in vain from 1861 to 1865, and the heroes that will die on the other side of the Atlantic will not have fought and died in vain. (Applause.)

Toastmaster Janes: The next on the program will be a selection to be rendered by George A. Cornwell.

Toastmaster Janes: Is Commander Geo. A. Dick, of the Spanish War Veterans, present? No response.

Is Fred L. Eaton, past commander Schmidt Camp, Saginaw, U. S. W. V. present? No response.

Toastmaster Janes: I want to say to you, in behalf of the committee, that we want to thank you all for your kind attention tonight. Now we will all rise and all sing America, this is to be followed by Dixie to be rendered by the band, and then we will all go home and go to sleep.

MEMORIAL ROLL.

ROLL OF DEAD—DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN.

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1915.

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

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Sidney Conley.....	Private.....	D	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 12, 1915	Quincy.
Henry Emons.....	Private.....	B	11th Mich. Infantry.....	May 1, 1915	Quincy.
C. W. Lake.....	Corporal.....	B	1st Mich. Sharpshooters.....	Apr. 30, 1915	Allen.
W. M. Whitney.....	Captain.....			May 7, 1915	Allen.
Andrew Hanks.....	Private.....			Aug. 15, 1915	Quincy.
Matthew Coats.....	Private.....	A	2d W. Va.....	Sept. 4, 1915	Quincy.
C. D. Skinner.....	Sergeant.....	F	27th Iowa.....	Dec. 4, 1915	Quincy.
L. J. Lutz.....	Private.....	F	3d Ohio Cavalry.....	Jan. 15, 1915	Allen.

CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

J. B. Griswold.....	Surgeon.....		4th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 9, 1915	Grand Rapids.
Geo. H. Chappel.....	Private.....	D	8th N. Y. Heavy Artillery.....	Mar. 11, 1915	Grand Rapids.
A. E. Porter.....	Private.....	K	17th Ind. Infantry.....	Mar. 4, 1915	Grand Rapids.
Patrick Doherty.....	Sergeant.....	H	9th Mass. Infantry.....	Mar. 15, 1915	Grand Rapids.
Edward Racine.....	Private.....	A	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	May 3, 1915	Grand Rapids.
A. A. Stevens.....	Colonel.....		3d Mich. Infantry.....	May 23, 1915	Grand Rapids.
Benj. Hess.....	Private.....	E	3d U. S. Artillery.....	Oct. 9, 1915	Grand Rapids.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
A. T. Driggs.....	Private.....	B	110th N. Y. Infantry.....	June 11, 1915	Grand Rapids.
R. Sauberlick.....	Private.....	F	17th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 17, 1915	Grand Rapids.
Geo. W. Hamilton.....				1915	Grand Rapids.
A. Babcock.....	Private.....	B	3d Mich. Infantry.....	1915	Walker Twp.

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

Washington Whitney.....	Sergeant.....	B	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 13, 1915	Woodbridge.
Geo. W. Mullen.....	Private.....	I	128th Ind. Infantry.....	Jan. 18, 1915	Hillsdale.
William Parker.....	Private.....	C	30th Ind. Infantry.....	Mar. 30, 1915	Hillsdale.
Albert Wolven.....	Private.....	D	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Sept. 27, 1915	Hillsdale.
Emory Yost.....	Private.....	K	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 29, 1915	Frontier.
L. H. VanAllen.....	Private.....	E	141st N. Y. Infantry.....	Oct. 5, 1915	Hillsdale.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
H. V. D. Baker.....	Sergeant.....	D	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Jan. 13, 1915	Hillsdale.
Geo. W. Woodruff.....	Private.....	D	1st Ill. Artillery.....	May 26, 1915	Hillsdale.
W. R. Forman.....	Private.....	G	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 31, 1915	Bankers.
Jos. Sturdevant.....	Private.....	G	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Apr. 2, 1915	Frontier.
John Burns.....	Private.....	F	18th Mich. Infantry.....	July 3, 1915	
Albert Bates.....	Private.....		10th Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 27, 1915	Wheatland.
Reuben Vickery.....	Private.....	G	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Aug. 27, 1915	

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PHIL. KEARNEY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Stephen A. Aldrich.....	Bugler.....	M	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Mar. 5, 1915	Lansing.
E. H. Nichols.....	Private.....	I	1st Mich. Sharpshooters.....	June 22, 1915	Muskegon.
Robert McCracken.....	Private.....	E	138th Ill. Infantry.....	Sept. 15, 1915	Muskegon.
Frank Noble.....	Private.....	K	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 9, 1915	Muskegon.

JOHN A. DIX POST NO. 9, HESPERIA.

William Gilbert.....	Private.....	I	7th Mo. Cavalry.....	May 31, 1915	Hesperia.
John Morrow.....	Private.....	D	35th N. Y. Infantry.....	June 14, 1915	Soldiers' Home.
Geo. Kinyon.....	Private.....	B	4th Mich. Cavalry.....	July 12, 1915	Hesperia.
A. L. Cobb.....	Private.....		1st Mich. E. and M.....	Dec. 26, 1915	Hesperia.
Nathan B. Lewis.....	Private.....	K	27th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 9, 1915	Greenwood Twp.
Giles Townsend.....	Private.....	A	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Mar. 15, 1915	Hesperia.
Samuel Bolls.....	Private.....	D	86th N. Y. Infantry.....	Dec. 8, 1915	Washington.

WM. BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Nelson Curtis.....	Lieutenant.	D	17th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 15, 1915	Dundee.
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ROBERTS POST NO. 11, BANCROFT.

Seth C. Cole.....	Private.....	I	38th Iowa Infantry.....	Nov. 8, 1915	Bancroft.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Aaron Herrick.....	Corporal.....				
Henry Goodrich.....	Private.....				
Chas. Kittridge.....	Private.....				

RYDER POST NO. 12, DEERFIELD.

Daniel Rowe.....	Private.....	A	112th Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 10, 1915	Deerfield.
Mortimer Burton.....	Private.....	B	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery.....	Mar. 20, 1915	Deerfield.
Franklin Carey.....	Private.....	H	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 19, 1915	Deerfield.
William H. Jackson.....	Private.....	C	169th Penn. Infantry.....	Sept. 29, 1915	Deerfield.

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

Geo. W. Price.....	Private.....	A	55th Ohio Infantry.....	Jan. 25, 1915	Benton Harbor.
Abner D. Brooks.....	Private.....	I	42d Ill. Infantry.....	May 3, 1915	Benton Harbor.
Frederick Monich.....	Private.....	I	8th Mich. Battery.....	May 5, 1915	Benton Harbor.
R. W. Baker.....	Private.....	K	13th Mich. Infantry.....	May 14, 1915	Benton Harbor.
Bradley Mosher.....	Private.....	B	11th Mich. Infantry.....	June 3, 1915	Benton Harbor.
Jno. B. Stouffer.....	1st Sergt.....	L	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	July 17, 1915	Benton Harbor.
Alonzo Converse.....	Private.....	K	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Sept. 15, 1915	Benton Harbor.
O. D. Denison.....	Private.....	K	1st N. Y. Cavalry.....	Oct. 16, 1915	Benton Harbor.
David W. Lake.....	Private.....	K	97th R. I. Infantry.....	Nov. 25, 1915	McDonald.
A. J. Wetmore.....	Private.....	D	66th Ill. Infantry.....	Dec. 20, 1915	Millburg.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Jas. Vanderbeck.....	Private.....	L	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 3, 1915	Benton Harbor.
N. B. Lewis.....	Private.....	K	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 2, 1915	Benton Harbor.
Herman Schmuhl.....	Corporal.....	B	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 1915	Benton Harbor.
Israel Allen.....	Corporal.....	I	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 1915	Sodus.
Uriah M. Sides.....	Private.....	G	101st Ind. Infantry.....	July 6, 1915	Benton Harbor.
Willis Littleton.....	Private.....	H	102d U. S. Infantry.....	Dec. 19, 1915	Benton Harbor.
C. C. Rittenhouse.....	Private.....	C	153d Ind. Infantry.....	Dec. 25, 1915	Benton Harbor.

PAP WILLIAMS POST NO. 15, LUDINGTON.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
William H. Bush.....	Private.....	E	48th Wis. Infantry.....	Aug. 5, 1915	Ludington.
Patrick Whealen.....	Private.....	F	4th Wis. Infantry.....	Apr. 1, 1915	Ludington.
E. N. Fitch.....	Private.....	I	27th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 1915	Ludington.
Thomas E. Lewis.....	Private.....	B	5th Ill. Cavalry.....	Aug. 2, 1915	Ludington.

SEDGWICK POST NO. 16, EVART.

W. P. Jones.....	Private.....	K	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 3, 1915	Evart.
S. P. Vanderhoof.....	Private.....	G	21st Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 19, 1915	Evart.
Orro D. Morton.....	Private.....	G	6th Wis. Infantry.....	Mar. 18, 1915	Evart.
Andrew Hayling.....	Private.....	E	20th Mich. Infantry.....	May 20, 1915	Evart.
Geo. B. Johnson.....	Private.....	F	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	June 8, 1915	Evart.
Chas. Coppins.....	Private.....	B	4th Mich. Infantry.....	June 26, 1915	Evart.

FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

John N. Hall.....	Private.....	I	11th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 3, 1915	Detroit.
A. Merrett.....	Private.....	M	9th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Jan. 20, 1915	Detroit.
Rudolph Nomode.....	Private.....	D	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 20, 1915	Detroit.
Norman G. Hemenway.....	Musician.....		20th Corps.....	Feb. 19, 1915	Detroit.
Geo. O. Walker.....	Private.....	D	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 5, 1915	Detroit.
Levi P. Brown.....	Private.....	E	3d Me. Infantry.....	Mar. 13, 1915	Detroit.
Chas. Letts.....	Private.....	H	14th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 15, 1915	Detroit.
John E. Williams.....	Private.....	D	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 18, 1915	Detroit.
Alvin Stamm.....	Private.....	K	1st Mich. Heavy Artillery.....	Mar. 26, 1915	Detroit.
Robert McWilliams.....	Steward.....		U. S. Navy.....	Mar. 30, 1915	Detroit.
Albert Field.....	Private.....	I	131st Penn. Infantry.....	Apr. 11, 1915	Detroit.
John L. Wild.....	Lieutenant.....	M	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Apr. 17, 1915	Detroit.
Henry Flanigan.....	Private.....	D	19th U. S. Infantry.....	June 26, 1915	Detroit.
Edgar H. Shook.....	Major.....		5th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 1, 1915	Detroit.
Horace Miers.....	Private.....	F	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 5, 1915	Detroit.
Conrad Bettinger.....	Private.....	I	3d N. Y. Cavalry.....	Nov. 3, 1915	Detroit.
Wm. F. Stoddard.....	Private.....	A	15th U. S. Infantry.....	Nov. 9, 1915	Detroit.
Walter A. Wood.....	Private.....	F	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 26, 1915	Detroit.

McPHERSON POST NO. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.

Samuel Halstead.....	Private.....	C	16th Mich. Infantry.....	June 8, 1915	Traverse City.
A. J. McHenry.....	Private.....	C	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 4, 1915	Traverse City.
D. G. Shorter.....	Private.....	K	38th Ohio Infantry.....	Jan. 29, 1915	Traverse City.
C. L. Vader.....	Private.....	G	32d Wis. Infantry.....	Oct. 25, 1915	Traverse City.
Horace Phillips.....	Private.....	A	26th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 22, 1915	Uba.
Edgar Ormsby.....	Private.....	C	76th N. Y. Infantry.....	Jan. 24, 1915	Traverse City.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Albion Potter.....	Private.....	E	105th Ill. Infantry.....	Apr. 19, 1915	Bangor.
Wm. Broadwell.....	Private.....	D	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery.....	Apr. 5, 1915	Bangor.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
O. A. Converse.....	Private.....			Sept. 15, 1915	McDonald.

ELLSWORTH POST NO. 20, HARTFORD.

C. M. Rawson.....	Private.....	K	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 19, 1915	Hartford.
I. C. Papineau.....	Private.....	K	179th Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 12, 1915	Aurora, Ill.

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

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Geo. E. Smith	Sergeant.....	K	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	Sept. 4, 1915	St. Joseph.
Alex. Scott	Surgeon.....		6th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 22, 1915	St. Joseph.
Milo Clook	Private.....	M	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Oct. 12, 1915	St. Joseph.
A. O. French.....	Lieutenant..	C	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 22, 1915	St. Joseph.

WM. PERROTT POST NO. 22, BUCHANAN.

H. A. Richardson.....	Private.....	F	25th Mich. Infantry.....	July 5, 1915	Buchanan.
Christopher S. Preston.....	Private.....	G	44th Wis. Infantry.....		Buchanan.
Fletcher Lyons.....	Private.....	A	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 25, 1915	Buchanan.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Frank Hamilton.....	Private.....	L	1st Mich. Artillery.....		
Geo. Diehl.....	Private.....	E	51st Penn. Infantry.....		

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25, OGDEN CENTER.

Jacob Baser.....	Private.....	K	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery.....	Sept. 26, 1915	Ogden Center.
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JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.

J. M. Moorburger.....	Private.....	F	10th Penn. Infantry.....	Mar. 25, 1915	
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Richard Kidell.....	Private.....				

GARFIELD POST NO. 30, COLOMA.

Oscar Pitcher.....	Private.....	I	20th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Dec. 8, 1915	Watervliet.
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FARRAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

Horace B. Hayes.....	Private.....	C	100th Ohio Infantry.....	Jan. 30, 1915	Battle Creek.
Wm. A. Vickery.....	Private.....	H	6th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 17, 1915	Battle Creek.
Wm. Dowsett.....	Scaman.....			Mar. 2, 1915	Battle Creek.
John Templeton.....	Private.....	L	2d Mo. Cavalry.....	Feb. 10, 1915	Battle Creek.
Oscar Cowan.....	Private.....	M	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Mar. 7, 1915	Battle Creek.
Austin W. Alvord.....	Captain.....	H	109th N. Y. Infantry.....	Mar. 23, 1915	Battle Creek.
Myron T. Hill.....	Private.....	L	1st N. Y. Cavalry.....	Apr. 13, 1915	Battle Creek.
Amos Swanagan.....	Private.....	F	107th U. S. Colored Infantry.....	May 24, 1915	Battle Creek.
John Pollock.....	Private.....	C	42d Ohio Infantry.....	June 2, 1915	Battle Creek.
T. D. Young.....	Private.....	A	1st Penn. Infantry.....	June 3, 1915	Battle Creek.
H. R. McDonald.....	Private.....	F	189th N. Y. Infantry.....	July 25, 1915	Battle Creek.
P. M. Mitchell.....	Private.....	B	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Oct. 1, 1915	Battle Creek.
Albert Perring.....	Private.....	F	139th Ind. Infantry.....	Oct. 11, 1915	Battle Creek.
E. S. Marsh.....	Private.....	L	24th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Oct. 25, 1915	Battle Creek.
Chas. T. Hall.....	Private.....	K	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 26, 1915	Battle Creek.

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MYRON BAKER POST NO. 33, MORENCI.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Warren Spencer.....	Private.....	M	2d N. Y. Heavy Artillery.....	June 5, 1915	Canandaigua.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Theodore F. Drake.....	Private.....	I	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Nov. 30, 1915	Morenci.
Peleg G. Lee.....	Private.....	D	130th Ohio Infantry.....	Apr. 15, 1915	Morenci.
Geo. E. Gunsauler.....	Private.....			June 6, 1915	

ZACH CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

A. H. Cook.....	Private.....	M	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 29, 1915	South Haven.
A. R. Hotchkiss.....	Lieutenant.....	H	20th Ind. Infantry.....	Feb. 1, 1915	South Haven.
L. LaFontaine.....	Private.....	H	111th Penn. Infantry.....	Feb. 14, 1915	South Haven.
S. H. Spillman.....	Private.....	E	35th Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 14, 1915	South Haven.
Simon Reed.....	Sergeant.....	I	Merrill Horse.....	June 17, 1915	South Haven.

GEO. G. MEADE POST NO. 36, BERRIEN CENTER.

Benjamin H. Rutter.....	Private.....	M	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	July 26, 1915	Berrien Center.
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STANTON POST NO. 30, STANTON.

<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
James W. Carothers.....	Private.....	A	11th Mich. Cavalry.....		Stanton.
Horace T. Perkins.....	Lieutenant.....	D	21st Mich. Infantry.....		Stanton.

SAGINAW POST NO. 38, SAGINAW.

O. J. Hetherington.....	Private.....	C	2d N. Y. Cavalry.....	Apr. 7, 1915	Saginaw.
G. W. Brinningstall.....	Private.....	D	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 24, 1915	Saginaw.
F. C. Crowell.....	Private.....	F	185th N. Y. Infantry.....	Oct. 20, 1915	Saginaw.

KILPATRICK POST NO. 39, BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Samuel Hadlock.....	Private.....	A	6th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 8, 1915	Berrien Springs.
J. W. Farrel.....	Private.....	B	16th Ohio Infantry.....	May 23, 1915	
Luther St. John.....	Private.....	I	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 20, 1915	

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

W. H. Polard.....	Private.....	E	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 4, 1915	Charlotte.
Austin Ash.....	Private.....	B	57th Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 13, 1915	Charlotte.
Sidney W. Hannon.....	Private.....	H	6th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 30, 1915	Charlotte.
Jacob Seacrist.....	Private.....	G	110th Penn. Infantry.....	June 21, 1915	Charlotte.
Harvey Davison.....	Private.....	B	1st Mich. Sharpshooters.....	Aug. 20, 1915	Charlotte.
Jerome B. Hartwell.....	Private.....	F	6th Mich. Heavy Artillery.....	Aug. 21, 1915	Charlotte.
Acil Champlain.....	Private.....	K	7th Mich. Cavalry.....	Oct. 23, 1915	Charlotte.
George Huggett.....	Private.....	C	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 13, 1915	Charlotte.
Harrison Waddell.....	Private.....	G	142d Ohio Infantry.....	Dec. 5, 1915	Charlotte.

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

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Luke Reilly	Private.....	K	4th Mich. Infantry.....		Chelsea.

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

Gustave Bannister	Private.....	D	102d U. S. Colored Infantry.....	Nov. 1, 1914	Battle Creek.
Gilbert Fowler	Private.....	I	3d N. Y. Cavalry.....	Dec. 31, 1915	Lansing.
Fay Strickland.....	Private.....	K	69th Ill. Infantry.....	Jan. 17, 1915	Lansing.
Fayette Wyckoff.....	Private.....	H	1st Mich. E. and M.....	Jan. 20, 1915	Lansing.
David Baldwin.....	Private.....	C	5th Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 5, 1915	Lansing.
Wyatt L. Brown.....		D	147th N. Y. Infantry.....	Mar. 26, 1915	Lansing.
Wm. L. Stocker.....	Private.....	D	23d Mich. Infantry.....	June 20, 1915	Lansing.
Wm. L. Reed.....		D	5th Mich. Infantry.....	June 28, 1915	Lansing.
Horace Stocking.....	Private.....	C	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Aug. 17, 1915	Bennington.
Henry Botsford.....	Private.....		15th Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 28, 1915	Perry.
John Broad.....	Private.....	G	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 4, 1915	Lansing.
John Purcell.....	Sergeant.....	H	2d N. Y. Reserves.....	Nov. 6, 1915	Lansing.
Geo. E. Ranney.....	Surgeon.....		2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 10, 1915	Lansing.
			136th U. S. Colored Infantry.....		
John H. Speer.....	Private.....	D	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 10, 1915	Lansing.
Wm. O. Sherwood.....	Private.....	B	2d U. S. Sharpshooters.....	Nov. 21, 1915	Lansing.
		E	5th Mich. Infantry.....		
Geo. A. Fishell.....	Private.....	K	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 2, 1915	Holt.

SCOTT POST NO. 43, BLISSFIELD.

John Wattering.....	Private.....	B	17th W. Va. Infantry.....	Aug. 12, 1915	Blissfield.
Ely Woodberry.....	Private.....	H	15th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 4, 1915	Blissfield.
Jay Huntington.....	Private.....	C	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 28, 1915	Blissfield.
Gottlieb Bauerle.....	Private.....	C	19th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 3, 1915	Blissfield.
August Glasier.....	Private.....	D	128th Ohio Infantry.....	Nov. 5, 1915	Riga.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
David Hull.....					
Peter Eddy.....			3d Ohio Cavalry.....	Feb. 3, 1915	Blissfield.

ANSON SANFORD POST NO. 44, SANFORD.

John F. Briggs.....	Private.....	K	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 3, 1915	Averill.
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B. H. RUTTER POST NO. 47, DOWAGIAC.

David Rummel.....	Wagoner.....	M	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Oct. 24, 1915	Dowagiac.
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EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

A. E. Sutton.....	Private.....	G	101st Ohio Infantry.....	Mar. 18, 1915	Jackson.
Wm. Abbott.....	Private.....	B	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Mar. 28, 1915	Jackson.
John Mulvaney.....	Private.....	A	140th N. Y. Infantry.....	May 27, 1915	Jackson.
Alonzo Blake.....	Bugler.....	D	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 17, 1915	Jackson.
Warren Ford.....	Private.....	K	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 13, 1915	Jackson.
John Austin.....	Private.....	A	69th Ill. Infantry.....	Oct. 25, 1915	Jackson.
Frank Palmer.....	Sergeant.....	C	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 17, 1915	Jackson.
Adelbert Smith.....	Private.....	K	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 7, 1915	Jackson.

WADSWORTH POST NO. 49, LAWRENCE.

Rufus M. Rowe.....	Sergeant.....	K	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 3, 1915	Lawrence.
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CAPT. H. BARROWS POST NO. 55, ARMADA.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
L. J. Compton.....	Private.....	F	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 15, 1915	New Haven.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Lewis Shaw.....	Private.....	F	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 14, 1915	Armada.
Thomas Parker.....	Private.....	I	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Oct. 1, 1915	Armada.

THOMAS MANNING POST NO. 57, MARCELLUS.

James Wagner.....	Private.....	A	46th Penn. Infantry.....	Oct. 18, 1915	Marcellus.
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DEWEY POST NO. 60, LESLIE.

S. H. Jones.....	Private.....	M	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	May 14, 1915	Onondaga.
James McDaniels.....	Private.....	K	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 12, 1915	Leslie.
R. C. Bishop.....	Private.....	I	12th N. Y. Infantry.....	July 30, 1915	Leslie.
S. E. Flansburg.....	Private.....	H	42d Ill. Infantry.....	Apr. 1, 1915	Leslie.

JEWELL POST NO. 62, CEDAR SPRINGS.

E. L. Boynton.....	Private.....	B	161st N. Y. Infantry.....	Jan. 26, 1915	Cedar Springs.
Chas. Parker.....	Private.....	M	15th N. Y. Battery.....	Mar. 24, 1915	Cedar Springs.
W. L. Getchell.....	Private.....	K	1st Mich. E. and M.....	Aug. 23, 1915	Cedar Springs.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Martin Davis.....	Private.....	G	35th N. Y. Infantry.....	Nov. 20, 1915	Cedar Springs.

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

Thos. E. Connor.....	Sergeant.....	F	20th N. Y. Infantry.....	Apr. 21, 1915	East Tawas.
Francis H. Frazier.....		M	3d N. Y. Cavalry.....	Oct. 1, 1915	
Ephraim Wright.....		C	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 1, 1915	

STEVENS POST NO. 66, EAST JORDAN.

Curtis Piney.....	Private.....	D	154th N. Y. Infantry.....	Feb. 11, 1915	East Jordan.
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SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.

Eldred M. Moody.....	Corporal.....	A	10th N. Y. Infantry.....	June 29, 1915	Shelby.
Theron D. Watters.....	Private.....	G	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	June 27, 1915	Shelby.

DWIGHT MAY POST NO. 69, MIDLAND.

James C. Quigley.....	Private.....	L	8th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Oct. 28, 1915	Midland.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
John A. Ellsworth.....					

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

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Abraham Smith.....	Private.....	F	211th Penn. Infantry.....	Mar. 6, 1915	Three Rivers.
Chas. W. Shelhart.....	Private.....	B	124th Ohio Infantry.....	Dec. 5, 1915	Three Rivers.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Henry A. Stegman.....	Private.....	G	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 11, 1915	Three Rivers.
Charles Carter.....	Private.....	B	11th Mich. Infantry.....	May 12, 1915	Three Rivers.
Henry Kimberling.....	Private.....	K	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 15, 1915	Three Rivers.
John McClymont.....	Private.....	D	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Sept. 17, 1915	Three Rivers.
Wilson Freeman.....	Private.....	D	Penn. Light Artillery.....	Sept. 6, 1915	Three Rivers.

WEATHERWAX POST NO. 75, GRAND HAVEN.

Orson Vanderhoef.....	Sergeant.....	B	124th Ohio Infantry.....	Sept. 2, 1915	Grand Haven.
John Strong.....	Private.....	D	8th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 13, 1915	Grand Haven.
Louis Bethelee.....	Private.....	I	97th Penn. Infantry.....	Jan. 1, 1915	Grand Haven.
Fred W. Ishman.....	Private.....	D	21st Mich. Infantry.....	.....	Grand Haven.

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

E. V. Armstrong.....	Private.....	.....	6th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Jan. 16, 1915	Kalamazoo.
Geo. Larsman.....	Private.....	A	43d Wis. Infantry.....	Jan. 31, 1915	Kalamazoo.
Geo. H. Hunt.....	Private.....	C	28th N. Y. Infantry.....	Apr. 2, 1915	Galesburg.
Daniel Brewer.....	Private.....	.....	18th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 18, 1915	Kalamazoo.
John S. Chuff.....	Private.....	C	13th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 20, 1915	Los Angeles, Cal.
John Dunbar.....	Private.....	C	24th Ohio Infantry.....	Oct. 3, 1915	Los Angeles, Cal.
A. J. Eastman.....	Private.....	C	16th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 30, 1915	Kalamazoo.
J. C. Burrows.....	Captain.....	D	17th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 16, 1915	Kalamazoo.
Ami Bennett.....	Private.....	H	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 23, 1915	Richland.
Thos. Westledge.....	Private.....	E	81st N. Y. Infantry.....	Dec. 16, 1915	Kalamazoo.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
J. D. Stafford.....	.....	D	145th Penn. Infantry.....	.....	Galesburg.
Alfred G. Doolittle.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Richland.
Daniel Laughlin.....	.....	.....	.....	Mar. 16, 1915	State Hospital.
Maurice P. Wood.....	Private.....	E	7th Ind. Cavalry.....	May 10, 1915	Kalamazoo.
Adelbert J. Sittser.....	Private.....	A	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 26, 1915	Kalamazoo.
Samuel Barr.....	.....	.....	.....	Nov. 29, 1915	Augusta.
James A. Nowlin.....	.....	.....	.....	Nov. 27, 1915	State Hospital.
Milford Vosburg.....	Private.....	I	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 13, 1915	Kalamazoo.

WM. A. KENT POST NO. 83, GREENVILLE.

Orrin B. Greene.....	Private.....	B	28th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 17, 1915	Greenville.
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CORBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

J. J. Banford.....	Private.....	H	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Oct. 10, 1915	Union City.
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J. N. PENOYER POST NO. 90, SAGINAW.

H. B. Dobeon.....	Private.....	I	Ohio Infantry.....	Oct. 18, 1915	Luxton.
Wm. Collison.....	Private.....	D	110th N. Y. Infantry.....	Nov. 23, 1915	Saginaw, E. S.
S. G. Davison.....	Bugler.....	D	3d N. Y. Artillery.....	June 11, 1914	Saginaw, W. S.
A. R. Simpeon.....	Corporal.....	H	24th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 18, 1915	Saginaw, W. S.
A. E. Sanders.....	Private.....	C	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 21, 1915	San Francisco
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Cal.
H. S. Averill.....	Sergeant.....	M	1st Mich. E. and M.....	Apr. 25, 1915	Saginaw, W. S.

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

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
James Buck	Private	C	128th Ohio Infantry	Jan. 11, 1915	St. Louis.
Ira Beard	Private	A	133d Ohio Infantry	Apr. 17, 1915	St. Louis.
Jonathan Salisbury	Private	B	14th N. Y. Heavy Artillery	Apr. 29, 1915	St. Louis.
Lorenzo Daly	Private	F	4th Mich. Infantry	June 5, 1915	St. Louis.
John W. Hagerman	Private	C	29th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 16, 1915	St. Louis.
Elijah A. Becker	Private	A	15th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 31, 1915	St. Louis.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Alfred O. Payne	Private	D	11th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 6, 1915	St. Louis.
Hugh Dailey	Private	B	16th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 14, 1915	St. Louis.

WM. SANBORN POST NO. 98, PORT HURON.

Edward Philips	Private	E	10th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 4, 1915	Abbotsford.
Wm. W. Canfield	Corporal	G	1st Mich. Artillery	July 15, 1915	Port Huron.
Alex. McDonald	Private	E	6th Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 16, 1915	Jeddo.
Daniel Clark	Private	E	94th N. Y. Infantry	Oct. 1, 1915	Port Huron.

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

T. A. Steadman	Captain	C	105th N. Y. Infantry	Sept. 19, 1915	Lyons.
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TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIMONDALE.

Isaac C. Stanton	Sergeant	F	6th Mich. Cavalry	July 5, 1915	Dimondale.
Albert Shotwell	Sergeant	D	7th Mich. Cavalry	Aug. 27, 1915	Charlotte.

EARL HALBERT POST NO. 108, GRAND LEDGE.

Edwin R. Whitney	Corporal	K	Vet. Res. Corps	Nov. 15, 1915	Grand Ledge.
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DE GOLYER POST NO. 110, HUDSON.

Patrick Cavanaugh	Private	A	38th Ohio Infantry	Apr. 8, 1915	Hudson.
Benj. P. Heydenberk	Sergeant	D	{ 2d Mich. Infantry	Oct. 20, 1915	Hudson.
William R. Beach	Private	A	{ 11th Mich. Cavalry		
			18th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 24, 1915	Hudson.

JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLerville.

W. M. Horton	Captain		118th U. S. Colored	Mar. 24, 1915	Fowlerville.
D. D. Sabin	Private	D	9th Mich. Infantry	June 23, 1915	Fowlerville.
James B. Grant	Private			Mar. 17, 1915	Fowlerville.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Alvin Stage	Private	K	9th Mich. Infantry	Apr. 19, 1915	Fowlerville.

WADDELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.

Stephen C. Miles	Private	G	5th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 7, 1915	Howell.
Almeron Holcomb	Private		8th Mich. Infantry		

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PAP THOMAS POST NO. 121, CHESANING.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
C. E. Bouteiller.....	Private.....	I	28th U. S. Infantry.....	Apr. 25, 1915	Chesaning.
Nathan W. Findley.....	Private.....	H	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 16, 1915	Chesaning.
Hymen Lee.....	Private.....	I	30th Mich. Infantry.....	June 6, 1915	Chesaning.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Henry M. Lindsley.....	Private.....	B	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 1, 1915	Chesaning.
William Smith.....	Private.....	G	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 18, 1915	Chesaning.

FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

Norman Latham.....	1st Sergt.....	F	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	May 19, 1915	Hastings.
Henry P. Naylor.....	Private.....	F	166th Ohio Infantry.....	Oct. 5, 1915	Hastings.
J. M. Whittemore.....	Private.....		2d Penn. Battery.....	Nov. 15, 1915	Hastings.
Patrick McPharlin.....	Private.....	M	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Sept. 25, 1915	Hastings.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
N. J. Breiss.....	Private.....	K	34th Ind. Rifles.....	Apr. 3, 1915	Rutland.
F. J. Thomas.....	Private.....	C	92d Ohio Infantry.....	Apr. 4, 1915	Hastings.
John D. Wickham.....	Private.....	C	13th Mich. Infantry.....	July 20, 1915	Hastings.
Newton J. Bronson.....	Private.....	C	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	July 29, 1915	Hastings.
Edgar D. Reed.....	Private.....	K	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	Aug. 3, 1915	Hastings.
Cyrus Casterline.....	Private.....	H	N. Y. Dragoons.....	Dec. 24, 1915	Hastings.

DAN S. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELDING.

<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Martin Gilnick.....	Private.....	B	10th Conn. Infantry.....	Oct. 29, 1915	Belding.

BILLY BEGOLE POST NO. 127, MAPLE RAPIDS.

Dennis Wright.....	Private.....	K	27th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 13, 1915	Maple Rapids.
Oliver Cunningham.....	Private.....	E	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Oct. 24, 1915	Lebanon Twp.

JOHN MEGARRAH POST NO. 132, PORTLAND.

Wilford Scaddin.....	Private.....	D	14th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 20, 1915	Eagle.
William Kneale.....	Private.....	E	1st Mich. E. and M.....	Dec. 22, 1915	Orange Twp.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Edson Miner.....	Private.....	I	27th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 7, 1915	Traverse City.
Chas. Smith.....	Private.....			Dec. 23, 1915	Portland.

BARTHOLOMEW POST NO. 136, NUNICA.

John Eckhoff.....	Private.....	G	21st Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 27, 1915	Nunica.
James Stevenson.....					

WELCH POST NO. 137, ANN ARBOR.

John Moran.....	Private.....	G	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 5, 1915	Ann Arbor.
Aaron Lang.....	Private.....	D	2d Mich. Cavalry.....	June 23, 1915	Ann Arbor.
Henry S. Dean.....	Lieut. Col.....		22d Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 18, 1915	Ann Arbor.

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HORACE S. ROBERTS POST 139, ALPENA.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Chester M. Deming.....	Private.....	A	22d Mich. Infantry.....	July 9, 1915	Deckerville.
Amasa M. Chaffee.....	Private.....	H	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Aug. 3, 1915	Alpena.
Henry Thompson.....	Seaman.....		U. S. S. Brandywine.....	Sept. 13, 1915	Alpena.

BEERS POST NO. 140, TECUMSEH.

Aug. Middlebrook.....	Private.....	I	14th Mich. Infantry.....	July 1915	Clinton.
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WHITESIDE POST NO. 143, CARO.

H. A. Drake.....	Private.....	B	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 1915	Caro.
Freeman Smith.....	Private.....	I	23d Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 1915	Caro.

GOV. CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.

G. V. Chamberlain.....	Private.....	I	30th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 18, 1915	Flint.
Henry Delongay.....	Private.....	G	19th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 19, 1915	Flint.
F. W. Dennison.....	Private.....	E	117th N. Y. Infantry.....	May 24, 1915	Flint.
Hiram H. Willey.....	Private.....	D	29th N. Y. Infantry.....	Feb. 21, 1915	Flint.
Ralf. Vosburg.....	Private.....	B	10th Mich. Infantry.....	June 17, 1915	Flint.
H. M. Gay.....	Private.....	G	29th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 15, 1915	Flint.
A. McCorkle.....	Private.....	F	24th N. Y. Cavalry.....	Sept. 29, 1915	Flint.
John M. Hart.....			U. S. Navy.....	Dec. 3, 1915	Flint.

DAHLGREN POST NO. 149, HOLTON.

Fred Clark.....				Apr. 13, 1915	Twin Lakes.
Joseph Zerlaut.....	Private.....	H	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Aug. 25, 1915	Bridgeton.

ALBERT ANDERSON POST NO. 157, CASSOPOLIS.

Edwin G. Loux.....	Private.....	F	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 1, 1915	Vandalia.
John A. Bronner.....	Private.....	D	152d N. Y. Infantry.....	Dec. 24, 1915	Cassopolis.

LOMBARD POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.

Jacob Kahler.....	Private.....	K	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Sept. 13, 1915	Petoskey.
Francis Wilmarth.....	Private.....		17th N. Y. Battery.....	Dec. 1, 1915	Petoskey.

E. R. STILES POST NO. 174, HANCOCK.

Charles Smith.....	Private.....	H	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 24, 1915	Hubbell
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C. F. SMITH POST NO. 175, ESCANABA.

<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
A. A. Parkhurst.....	Private.....	D	6th Mass. Infantry.....	Aug. 6, 1915	Escanaba.

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MONTCALM POST NO. 176, STANTON.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
H. M. Hemsted.....	Captain.....	M	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 2, 1916	Stanton.

CARPENTER POST NO. 180, YPSILANTI.

H. C. Rankin.....	Private.....	C	9th Mich. Infantry.....	July 7, 1915	Ypsilanti.
D. C. Bachelder.....	Lieutenant.....	F	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 30, 1915	Ypsilanti.

HEBER LE FAVOUR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.

James Lockwood.....	Private.....	A	10th Mich. Cavalry.....	June 1915	Highland.
Joseph Allen.....	Private.....	I	16th Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 3, 1915	Milford.

HENRY DOBSON POST NO. 182, FREMONT.

Henry Gales.....	Private.....	K	106th N. Y. Infantry.....	Sept. 26, 1915	Fremont.
Daniel L. Barnes.....	Private.....		15th Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 12, 1915	Fremont.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Wm. Norton.....	Private.....		1st Calif. Infantry.....	June 29, 1915	Fremont.
Geo. A. Mills.....	Private.....	G	199th N. Y. Infantry.....	Sept. 6, 1915	Fremont.
John Barnhard.....	Private.....	H	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 28, 1915	Fremont.
Wm. McEwan.....	Private.....	K	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 24, 1915	Fremont.

HACKETT POST NO. 185, BRONSON.

Zelotes Foster.....	Private.....	C	10th Minn. Infantry.....	Aug. 29, 1915	Bronson.
Silas Goodrich.....	Private.....	B	100th Ind. Infantry.....	Dec. 4, 1915	Bronson.

FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.

Jos. W. Seeley.....	Private.....	H	7th Mich. Infantry.....	Feb. 1915	Oxford.
Leonard Hoffman.....	Private.....	G	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 4, 1915	Orion.

GEO. C. WHITNEY POST NO. 188, HADLEY.

<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Geo. A. Cramton.....	Corporal.....	F	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 3, 1915	Flint.

JAMES BRADLEY POST NO. 194, CLIO.

Hiram E. Monroe.....	Private.....	E	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 14, 1914	Flint.
Peter McNalley.....	Private.....	E	2d Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 20, 1914	Ferandville.

J. B. STEADMAN POST NO. 198, REED CITY.

Jos. E. Nichols.....	Private.....	H	74th Ind. Infantry.....	July 3, 1915	Reed City.
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PERRY BAKER POST NO. 200, CARLTON.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Owen McManus.....		B	17th Mich. Infantry.....		

ALBERT NYE POST NO. 202, ROMEO.

Geo. Woolvin.....	Private.....	I	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 18, 1915	Davis.
M. Hillicker.....	Private.....	K	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Mar. 30, 1915	Romeo.
Henry White.....	Chaplain.....		5th R. I. Heavy Artillery.....	Dec. 12, 1915	Romeo.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
R. D. Robinson.....	Private.....	B	30th Mich. Infantry.....		
Thos. Weightman.....	Corporal.....	M	1st Mich. Cavalry.....		

L. B. QUACKENBUSH POST NO. 205, OWOSSO.

C. M. Young.....	Private.....	E	5th Ohio Cavalry.....	Feb. 7, 1915	Owosso.
Ellis W. Ott.....	Private.....	G	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 15, 1915	New Haven Tp.
Asa A. Losey.....	Private.....	K	9th Mich. Infantry.....	Mar. 20, 1915	Owosso.
G. G. Robertson.....	Private.....	I	148th N. Y. Infantry.....	Apr. 15, 1915	Owosso.
William Harris.....	Private.....	M	22d N. Y. Cavalry.....	June 23, 1915	Owosso.
J. P. Eldredge.....	Sergeant.....	H	29th Mich. Infantry.....	Jan. 3, 1915	Owosso.
Gilbert H. Card.....	Private.....	I	15th Mich. Infantry.....	July 12, 1915	Owosso.
Christian Cook.....	Private.....	E	151st N. Y. Infantry.....	Oct. 14, 1915	Owosso.
W. H. Halsted.....	Private.....	M	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Oct. 15, 1915	Owosso.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
Sanford Bemis.....	Private.....	F	5th Mich. Cavalry.....	Jan. 11, 1915	Bennington Tp.
Chas. E. Sutton.....	Private.....	L	Merrill Horse.....	Jan. 20, 1915	Owosso.
Nathan Findley.....	Private.....	H	10th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 17, 1915	New Haven Tp.
Frank Beehler.....	Private.....	F	49th N. Y. Infantry.....	Apr. 19, 1915	Owosso.

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

F. Roudenbush.....	Sergeant.....	B	136th N. Y. Infantry.....	Feb. 13, 1915	Albion.
W. O'Donoghue.....	Surgeon.....		1st Mich. E. and M.....	Mar. 13, 1915	Albion.
H. N. Robinson.....	Private.....	D	12th Mich. Infantry.....	Apr. 6, 1915	Albion.
John Slemmons.....	Private.....	B	64th Ohio Infantry.....	May 3, 1915	Albion.
O. C. Monroe.....	Musician.....	C	148th N. Y. Infantry.....	Aug. 3, 1915	Albion.
Albert Youngs.....	Private.....	B	124th N. Y. Infantry.....	Aug. 22, 1915	Albion.
Chas. A. Aiken.....	Sergeant.....	K	9th Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 21, 1915	Albion.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
R. F. Davis.....	Sergt. Maj.....		8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Feb. 28, 1915	Albion.

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

Geo. C. Butzler.....	Private.....	G	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 2, 1915	Mt. Clemens.
A. R. Eastman.....	1st Sergt.....	D	8th Mich. Cavalry.....	Sept. 4, 1915	Mt. Clemens.
Benj. Alband.....	Private.....	E	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Sept. 26, 1915	Mt. Clemens.

MAURICE B. WELLS POST NO. 218, LUTHER.

John W. Nicholson.....	Private.....	A	3d Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 13, 1914	Luther.
Delevan Stoughton.....	Private.....	H	26th Mich. Infantry.....	Dec. 30, 1914	Luther.
Alfred Ferris.....	Private.....	I	6th Mich. Cavalry.....	Aug. 28, 1915	Luther.
Geo. A. Osborn.....	Private.....	C	17th Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 7, 1915	Luther.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

EDDY POST NO. 231, PLYMOUTH.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Asa Joy	Sergeant.....	C	24th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 13, 1915	Plymouth.
John C. Peterhance	Private.....	F	16th Mich. Infantry	Nov. 5, 1915	Plymouth.
E. H. Partridge	Sergeant.....	B	1st Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 13, 1915	Plymouth.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Frederic W. Gordon	Private.....	C	11th N. H. Infantry	Nov. 21, 1915	Plymouth.

OSCAR BARTLETT POST NO. 233, LAMB.

Byron M. Jenne	Lieutenant..	A	13th N. Y. Heavy Artillery.....	Oct. 13, 1915	Lamb.
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O. H. REED POST NO. 234, HUBBARDSTON.

<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Oliver Cunningham	Private.....	E	1st Mich. Artillery.....	Nov. 12, 1915	Lebanon.

FRANK MASON POST NO. 242, ATHENS.

Benj. F. Taylor	1st Mich. E. and M.	Jan. 8, 1915	Athens.
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WM. M. FENTON POST NO. 259, LITCHFIELD.

A. S. Kowles	Private.....	H	Signal Corps.....	Dec. 1, 1915	Litchfield.
A. P. Hesning	Private.....	C	4th U. S. Cavalry.....	July 18, 1915	Litchfield.

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

Chas. F. Post.....	Lieutenant..	E	35th Ky. Infantry	Apr. 30, 1915	Holland.
Franklin Hathaway	Private.....	M	8th Mich. Cavalry	May 16, 1915	Holland.
Henry Farma.....	Private.....	E	8th Mich. Infantry	May 28, 1915	Holland.
D. C. Hough	Musician..	I	25th Mich. Infantry	June 6, 1915	Ventura.
James Lauver	Private.....	M	8th Mich. Cavalry	July 24, 1915	Holland.
James Van der Sluis	Col. Bearer.	B	21st Mich. Infantry	Aug. 31, 1915	Grand Rapids.

LYON POST NO. 266, MENOMINEE.

Stafford Oatman	Private.....	G	3d Wis. Infantry	Sept. 12, 1915	Wis. Soldiers' Home.
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AMOS E. STEEL POST NO. 280, NORTH MUSKEGON.

<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
E. A. Irwin	Private.....	103d Penn. Infantry.....	Oct. 26, 1915	N. Muskegon.

ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.

Thos. J. Owen	Lieutenant..	I	50th N. Y. Infantry	Apr. 7, 1915	Milwaukee, Wis.
Chas. B. King	Private.....	K	1st Mich. E. and M.	June 5, 1915	Big Rapids.
Geo. G. Jenkins	Private.....	A	12th Mich. Infantry	July 25, 1915	Big Rapids.
C. E. Allen	Private.....	D	6th Ohio Cavalry	Dec. 20, 1915	Big Rapids.

ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETTE.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Robert R. French.....	Corporal....	I	1st Mich. Infantry.....	Sept. 18, 1915	Marquette.

ORIN WHITCOMB POST NO. 302, BYRON CENTER.

Alonso M. Green.....	Private.....	D	1st Mich. E. and M.....	Dec. 16, 1915	Byron Center.
Lewis F. Smith.....	Private.....	L	1st Mich. Cavalry.....	July 26, 1915	Door Center.

BURSON POST NO. 303, SCHOOLCRAFT.

William Fenkboner.....	Private.....	H	25th Mich. Infantry.....	Aug. 5, 1915	Schoolcraft.
E. J. Vreeland.....	Private.....	A	3d Mich. Cavalry.....	Nov. 11, 1915	Schoolcraft.

ALLEN M. HARMON POST NO. 318, NORTHVILLE.

Norman Collins.....	Private.....	C	24th Mich. Infantry.....	July 5, 1915	Detroit.
George Parks.....	Private.....	I	22d Mich. Infantry.....	Oct. 15, 1915	South Lyon.
Wm. M. Cole.....	Private.....	E	11th Mich. Cavalry.....	Dec. 9, 1915	Northville.

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

Felix Chamberlain.....	Private.....	C	13th Mich. Battery.....	June 18, 1915	Hope.
Frank Wailes.....	Private.....	C	188th N. Y. Infantry.....	Nov. 2, 1915	Prairieville.

MATTHEW ARTIS POST NO. 341, CASSOPOLIS.

William S. Copley.....	Private.....	B	102d U. S. Colored Infantry.....	Dec. 29, 1915	Vandalia.
<i>Not Members of the G. A. R.</i>					
James H. Ford.....					
Andrew Gillam.....					
Dennis Kirkley.....					

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

<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Louis Rainville.....	1st Sergt....	D	Minn. Ind. Vols.....	Oct. 24, 1915	Sault Ste. Marie.

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

E. N. Curley.....	Corporal....	H	29th Mich. Infantry.....	Nov. 5, 1915	Coleman.
H. Samson.....	Private.....	D	100th Penn. Infantry.....	Oct. 31, 1915	Coleman.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Wm. Wilson.....	Private.....	F	165th Ohio Infantry.....	Nov. 10, 1915	Coleman.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

WM. NOBLE POST NO. 369, GLADWIN.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Nelson Pewex	Private.....	K	2d N. Y. Cavalry	Sept. 20, 1915	Gladwin.
Andrew King	Private.....	K	20th Mich. Infantry	July 11, 1915	Gladwin.

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

Nathan Thomas	Private.....	G	23d N. Y. Infantry	Mar. 17, 1915	Honor.
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U. O. BRETZ POST NO. 382, LAKE ODESSA.

Aaron Wood	Private.....	D	14th Mich. Infantry	July 30, 1915	Lake Odessa.
Wm. Hulliberger	Private.....	F	54th Ohio Infantry	Aug. 3, 1915	Lake Odessa.

GEN. CHAS. GRIFFIN POST NO. 386, FARWELL.

Chas. Edwards	Private.....	M	5th Mich. Cavalry	July 15, 1915	Farwell.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
David Phipps				Dec. 18, 1915	Farwell.

MICHIGAN POST NO. 393, DETROIT.

A. L. Booth	Private.....	K	11th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 1915	Detroit.
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A. B. WATSON POST NO. 395, GRAND RAPIDS.

Vincent L. Farr	Private.....	B	35th N. Y. Infantry	Dec. 29, 1914	Grand Rapids.
Horace Lawrence	Private.....	E	123d Ohio Infantry	Mar. 3, 1915	Grand Rapids.
J. S. Dowd	Private.....	D	66th Ill. Sharpshooters	Apr. 17, 1915	Grand Rapids.
A. Kronmeyer	Private.....	G	21st Mich. Infantry	Sept. 3, 1915	Grand Rapids.
Chas. R. Stewart	Private.....	I	1st Mich. E. and M.	Sept. 7, 1915	Grand Rapids.
Roswell H. Lee	Lieutenant.....	C	41st Wis. Infantry	Oct. 7, 1915	Grand Rapids.
Samuel Frill	Private.....	E	10th Mich. Cavalry	Oct. 21, 1915	Grand Rapids.
James M. Wood	Sergeant.....	L	2d Minn. Cavalry	Nov. 10, 1915	Grand Rapids.

ROBERT IRWIN POST NO. 416, BROOKLYN.

Dewitt Cobb	Private.....		4th Mich. Cavalry	Nov. 8, 1915	Brooklyn.
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H. P. MERRILL POST NO. 419, BAY CITY.

Israel Youngs	Private.....	C	105th N. Y. Infantry	June 27, 1915	Bay City.
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WM. H. DUMPHY POST NO. 424, YALE.

Timothy Caster	Private.....	H	3d Mich. Infantry	Sept. 1, 1915	Yale.
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STEPHEN MUNGER POST NO. 425, FREELAND.

Name.	Rank.	Company.	Organization.	Date of death.	Residence.
Henry Hartwick		M	.... Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 14, 1915	Tittabawassee.
Peter Doran	Corporal....	E	23d Mich. Infantry	May 19, 1916	Midland Co.

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

Wm. McBride	Private.....	K	6th Ohio Infantry	June 14, 1915	Detroit.
E. G. Miles	Musician		2d Brigade	June 24, 1915	Detroit.
Oliver Dew	Private.....	I	14th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 9, 1915	Detroit.
George Aris	Private.....	K	2d Mich. Infantry	Sept. 20, 1915	Detroit.
T. F. Looker	Private.....	G	8th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 29, 1915	Detroit.
Thomas Russell	Private.....	E	1st Mich. Cavalry	Dec. 23, 1915	Detroit.
F. D. DePyster	Sergeant....	C	24th Mass. Infantry	Dec. 23, 1915	Detroit.

STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

H. L. Swaim	Private.....	C	116th Ind. Infantry	Feb. 6, 1915	Mason.
Lewis Cortwright	Private.....	I	6th Mich. Infantry	Mar. 1, 1915	Mason.
C. M. Sanderson	Sergeant....	A	1st Mich. Infantry	Apr. 19, 1915	Mason.
Myron A. Randall	Private.....	E	11th Mich. Infantry	Sept. 18, 1915	Mason.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
J. K. Elmer	Adjutant....		3d Mich. Cavalry	Feb. 8, 1915	Mason.

GEN. I. C. SMITH POST NO. 451, REED CITY.

L. A. Barker	Sergeant....	D	66th Ill. Infantry	Nov. 29, 1915	Reed City.
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H. W. LAWTON POST NO. 452, SAMARIA.

J. R. Dickenson	Private.....	A	4th Mich. Infantry	Oct. 31, 1915	Dundee.
<i>Not a Member of the G. A. R.</i>					
Jacob H. Hartz	Private.....	D	86th Ohio Infantry	July 11, 1915	Temperance.

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

E. Booth	Corporal ...	K	132d Ill. Infantry	Jan. 1916	Waukegan, Ill.
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R. A. ALGER POST NO. 462, RAPID CITY.

Levinas Babcock	Private.....	A	2d Mich. Cavalry	Mar. 27, 1915	Manton.
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GENERAL ORDERS ISSUED.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 KALAMAZOO, MICH., JUNE 19, 1915.

General Order, No. 1.

1. Having been duly elected and installed Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

2. The honor conferred upon me is gratefully appreciated. It shall be my most earnest desire to maintain the high ideals which have characterized previous administrations, and to advance in every right and just way the exalted interest of the Grand Army.

3. The following appointment is announced: Assistant Adjutant General, Henry Spaulding, Post 20, Hartford. Other appointments will be made and announced in the near future. Post Commanders are requested to send to headquarters at Lansing, names of faithful, active Comrades for appointment as Aids-de-camps in the various Posts.

4. Adjutants of Posts are requested to have a summary of General Orders published in local newspapers. Official communications, as heretofore, should be addressed to the Assistant Adjutant General at Lansing, personal correspondence to the Commander at Ypsilanti.

5. Inasmuch as the Assistant Adjutant General must make his report within thirty days, it is highly essential that June 30 semi-annual reports of Posts be forwarded to Lansing headquarters not later than July 10, 1915.

6. That best results may be speedily obtained, the hearty cooperation of Posts as a whole and of individual Comrades in particular, is hereby invoked.

Very sincerely yours,
 H. C. RANKIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, JULY 16, 1915.

General Orders No. 2, Series 1915-16.

I. With supreme sorrow announcement is made that Department Commander Henry C. Rankin died at his home in Ypsilanti, Mich., July 13, 1915.

Comrade Rankin was born at Reading, Pa., December 1, 1843, came to Michigan with his parents in 1856, residing here ever since.

He enlisted September 6, 1861, in Company C, Ninth Michigan Inf. for three years, aged 18 years; discharged at expiration of term of ser-

vice October 14, 1864; re-entered service March 20, 1865, and served in Hancock's Corps until the close of the war.

Joined the Grand Army of the Republic as a Charter Member of Dewey Post No. 60, of Leslie, Mich., May 25, 1882, transferred to other Posts, wherever his work as an educator called him; joined Carpenter Post No. 180, of Ypsilanti, Mich., in 1905, and was serving his second term as Commander, when called away.

Was elected Senior Vice Department Commander in 1911, and was elected Department Commander at the Encampment at Kalamazoo, Mich., June 18, 1915.

II. In accordance with Rules and Regulations of the G. A. R., I hereby assume command of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the unexpired term of our late commander, Henry C. Rankin.

III. By virtue of the same authority, Junior Vice Department Commander Thomas Davey has become Senior Vice Department Commander.

IV. The Council of Administration will meet at Department Headquarters in Lansing, Thursday, July 22d, at one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of choosing a Junior Vice Department Commander to fill the vacancy caused by the changes, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before it.

V. The thanks of the Department are expressed to all, both individuals and organizations, who so generously assisted at the funeral services of our beloved Department Commander.

We also extend to the bereaved widow and family our heartfelt sympathy and share with them their sorrow and sadness.

And as a mark of respect for our beloved Comrade, the Charter of Department Headquarters and Post, also the Colors will be draped in mourning for sixty days from the date of this Order.

VI. I hereby appoint Henry Spaulding, of Post 20, of Hartford, as Assistant Adjutant General, and Frank Lester, of Post 441, of Mason, as Assistant Quartermaster General. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Further appointments and committees will be announced in future general orders.

By command of
ELI STRONG,
 Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, AUG. 2, 1915.

General Orders No. 3, Series 1915-16.

At the 37th Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, held at Kalamazoo, Mich., June 16, 17 and 18, 1915, the following officers were duly elected and installed:

Department Commander, Henry C. Rankin, Post 180, Ypsilanti.

Senior Vice Commander, Eli Strong, Post 79, Kalamazoo.

Junior Vice Commander, Thomas Davey, Post 17, Detroit.

Medical Director, Dr. Robert Le Barron, Post 147, Pontiac.

Department Chaplain, Rev. Samuel Heininger, Post 45, Adrian.

On July 13, 1915, Commander Rankin was taken away by death and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, Senior Vice Commander Eli Strong assumed command, and Junior Vice, Thomas Davey, advanced to the Senior Vice Commander, and at a special meeting of the Council of Administration called by Commander Strong, Comrade Albert Dunham, of Post 48, of Jackson, was duly elected as Junior Vice Commander, and all were installed in due form by Past Department Commander, Frank R. Chase, July 22, 1915.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

E. F. Lamb, Post 17, Detroit.

H. A. Chapin, Post 31, Paw Paw.

George Raab, Post 145, Flint.

William O. Lee, Post 98, Port Huron.

William H. Morgans, Post 147, Pontiac.

DELEGATES.

R. A. Parker, (at large), Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 603 Moffat Bldg.

Alvah H. Sawyer, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 145 16th St.

John Devlin, Post 433, Detroit, Mich., 159 Avery Ave.

D. C. Spears, Post 10, Wyandotte, Mich.

J. Creque, Post 48, Jackson, Mich., 212 W. Pearl St.

H. B. Olmstead, Post 111, Eaton Rapids, Mich.

Freeman Hall, Post 79, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Robert Payne, Post 35, South Haven, Mich.

George A. B. Cook, Post 72, Three Rivers, Mich., 321 Portage Ave.

Robert Finch, Post 5, Grand Rapids, Mich., 917 Mich. Trust Bldg.

Benjamin VanRaalte, Post 262, Holland, Mich.

Lucius H. Ives, Post 441, Mason, Mich.

David S. Howard, Post 147, Pontiac, Mich.

A. L. Bryant, Post 255, Mayville, Mich.

William O. Lee, Post 98, Port Huron, Mich.

Fred Gill, Post 38, Saginaw, Mich.

Elijah Howard, Post 214, Millington, Mich.

William Stewart, Post 444, Cadillac, Mich.

Porter P. Misner, Post 7, Muskegon, Mich.

Hiram Russell, Post 67, Bay City, Mich.

Francis Bone, Post 16, Clare, Mich.

C. M. Guild, Post 158, Vestaburg, Mich.

Charles A. Button, Post 152, Alma, Mich.

John Dooley, Post 300, Marquette, Mich.

Ira Carley, Post 266, Menominee, Mich.

Allen H. Cady, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 30 Mt. Vernon Ave.

ALTERNATE DELEGATES.

Robert Morris, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 284 Commonwealth Ave.
 D. S. Kimball, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 183 Avery Ave.
 Samuel Bailey, Post 17, Detroit, Mich., 363 Hubbard Ave.
 James E. Johnson, Post 274, Midland, Mich.
 H. W. Stevens, Post 140, Tecumseh, Mich.
 George W. Norton, Post 111, Eaton Rapids, Mich.
 Eli Strong, Post 79, Kalamazoo, Mich.
 John S. Heald, Post 20, Hartford, Mich.
 Wallace A. Preston, Post 21, St. Joseph, Mich., 720 State St.
 A. S. Porter, Post 5, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 Charles R. Stewart, Post 395, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 Samuel H. Giles, Post 147, Pontiac, Mich.
 Allen S. Shattuck, Post 42, Lansing, Mich.
 William J. Marks, Post 214, Chicago, Ill., 1145 N. Avero Ave.
 George J. Dart, Post 402, Akron, Mich.
 Maj. E. J. Wilcox, Post 38, Saginaw, Mich.
 John Ballentine, Post 38, Saginaw, Mich.
 William McNitt, Post 461, Boon, Mich.
 C. F. Ruggles, Post 3, White Hall, Mich.
 Griffin Lewis, Post 67, Bay City, Mich.
 B. A. Mosher, Post 294, Stanwood, Mich.
 George Saunders, Post 91, St. Louis, Mich.
 William Parks, Post 158, Elm Hall, Mich.
 William A. Jillson, Post 300, Marquette, Mich.
 John H. Nelson, Post 8, Ishpeming, Mich.
 S. A. Widrig, Post 433, Detroit, Mich., 72 Glenwood Ave.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS.

Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, Post 20, Hartford, Mich.
 Frank Lester, Assistant Quartermaster General, Post 441, Mason, Mich.
 W. W. Warner, Judge Advocate, Post 56, Allegan, Mich.
 Dean LaBanta, Chief Mustering Officer, Post 48, Jackson, Mich.
 M. C. Barney, Patriotic Instructor, Post 145, Flint, Mich.
 L. H. Ives, Department Inspector, Post 441, Mason, Mich.
 Frank R. Chase, Chief of Staff, Post 126, Smyrna, Mich.
 Henry P. Shutt, Senior Aide-De-Camp, Post 79, Kalamazoo, Mich.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE C. OF A.

George Raab, Post 145, Flint, Mich.
 E. F. Lamb, Post 17, Detroit, Mich.
 H. A. Chapin, Post 31, Paw Paw, Mich.

COMMITTEE TO VISIT SOLDIERS HOME.

Freeman Hall, Post 79, Kalamazoo, Mich.
 J. R. Stephenson, Post 5, Grand Rapids.
 W. G. Miner, Post 132, Portland, Mich.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Louis Kanitz, Post 7, Muskegon, Mich.
 John Devlin, Post 433, Detroit, Mich.
 Henry A. Clute, Post 166, Marshall, Mich.

MILITARY MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

W. C. Nesen, Post 42, Lansing, Mich.
 Charles H. Holmes, Post 42, Lansing, Mich.
 George W. Stone, Post 42, Lansing, Mich.
 Robert Finch (Sergeant National Colors) Post 5, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 A. L. Bryant (Sergeant Department Colors) Post 255, Mayville, Mich.
 George W. Christopher (Chief Bugler), Post 42, Lansing, Mich.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

The following named Comrades are hereby appointed Aides-De-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

William Taylor, Post 6, Hillsdale.
 James French, Post 6, Hillsdale.
 Fred Wolf, Post 6, Hillsdale.
 D. C. Spears, Post 10, Dundee.
 J. L. Shears, Post 14, Benton Harbor.
 W. H. Hibbard, Post 17, Detroit.
 John P. Goss, Post 19, Bangor.
 Thomas Horton, Post 19, Bangor.
 William N. Worth, Post 20, Hartford.
 Charles Kleckler, Post 20, Hartford.
 R. M. Bellinger, Post 32, Battle Creek.
 W. S. Bradley, Post 35, South Haven.
 E. M. Havens, Post 42, Lansing.
 W. W. Cook, Post 42, Lansing.
 Byron Winchester, Post 48, Jackson.
 George H. Bigelow, Post 48, Jackson.
 John H. Shoemaker, Post 49, Lawrence.
 Thomas C. Tyner, Post 49, Lawrence.
 Aaron Miller, Post 79, Kalamazoo.
 Alvah J. Carson, Post 79, Kalamazoo.
 M. E. Blair, Post 88, Union City.
 C. M. Hall, Post 88, Union City.
 C. B. Fowler, Post 111, Eaton Rapids.
 Leroy Evans, Post 111, Eaton Rapids.
 Alonzo Cheney, Post 111, Eaton Rapids.
 James D. Rowe, Post 181, Milford.
 Asa Prior, Post 181, Milford.
 S. D. Lee, Post 181, Milford.
 George Sturdevant, Post 181, Milford.
 John Beaumont, Post 181, Milford.
 R. C. Blair, Post 382, Lake Odessa.
 Albert D. McGuire, Post 425, Freeland.
 George A. Allen, Post 278, Bay City.

Additional Aides-de-Camp will be appointed on recommendation of Post Commanders. The names of Comrades for appointment should be forwarded promptly, giving No. of Post, and Postoffice address.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The Forty-ninth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Washington, D. C., September 27 to October 2, 1915. Preparations for the entertainment of the Order, both National and Departmental, are progressing favorably and it is expected that the attendance at the Encampment, which may be regarded as a memorial celebration of the Grand Review of the Armies at the close of the war, will be unusually large.

Arrangements have been completed for the transaction of the business of the Encampment.

National Headquarters will be established at the Hotel Raleigh.

Michigan Headquarters will be established at the Metropolitan Hotel, rates given below.

Department Headquarters at the Capitol, Lansing, Mich., will be closed on Friday, September 24th, and remain closed until Monday, October 18, 1915.

HOTELS.

A list of the principal hotels of Washington is given below, together with the rates each will charge during the week of the National Encampment. In addition to the hotels there are many private houses where comfortable quarters can be secured at reasonable rates on application to the Local Committee of Arrangements, Washington, D. C. The National Encampment will undoubtedly attract an immense throng to Washington. For that reason Comrades would do well to engage quarters promptly.

New Willard (European)—Room with bath, for one, \$3.50; for two, \$5.00 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$2.50; for two, \$4.00 per day.

Hotel Raleigh (European)—Room with bath, for one \$3.50; for two, \$4.50 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$2.00; for two, \$3.50 per day.

Hotel Shoreham (European)—Room with bath, for one, \$3.50; for two, \$5.00 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$2.50; for two, \$4.00 per day.

Hotel Bellevue (European)—Room with bath, for one, \$2.00; for two, \$3.00 per day. Room without bath, for one \$1.50, for two, \$2.50 per day.

Hotel Powhattan (European)—Room with bath, for one, \$2.50; for two, \$4.00 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$1.50; for two, \$3.00 per day.

Hotel Harrington (European)—Room with bath, for one, \$2.50; for two, \$3.50 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$1.50; for two, \$2.50 per day.

Hotel Continental (European)—Room with bath, for one, \$2.50; for two, \$4.00 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$1.50; for two \$2.50 per day.

Capitol Park Hotel (European)—Room with bath, for one, \$2.50; for two, \$3.50 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$1.50; for two \$2.50 per day.

Hotel Sterling (European)—Room with bath, for one \$2.00; for two, \$3.00 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$1.50; for two, \$2.50 per day.

St. James Hotel (European)—Room with bath, for one \$2.50; for two, \$3.50 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$1.50; for two, \$2.50 per day.

National Hotel (American and European)—Room (American) two or more in room, \$2.50 each per day. Room (European) two or more in room, \$1.00 each per day.

Hotel Ebbitt (American and European)—Room (American) for one, \$3.00; for two, 4.00 per day. Room (European) for one, \$1.50; for two, \$2.50 per day.

Hotel Driscoll (American and European)—Room (American) for one, \$3.50; for two \$6.00 per day. Room (European) for one, \$2.00; for two, \$3.00 per day.

Grand Hotel (American and European)—Room (American) two or more in room, \$3.00 each per day. Room (European) two or more in room, \$1.00 each per day.

George Washington Hotel (American and European)—Room (American), \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day. Room (European) two or more in room, \$1.00 each per day.

Lincoln Hotel (American and European)—Room (American) for one, \$2.00; for two, \$4.00 per day. Room (European) for one, \$1.00; for two, \$2.00 per day.

Metropolitan Hotel (American)—Room with bath, \$4.00 per day, each person. Room without bath, \$3.00 per day, each person.

Hotel Gordon (American)—Room with bath, \$4.00 per day, each person. Room without bath, \$3.00 per day, each person.

Hotel Grafton (American)—Room, including meals, \$3.00 per day.

Hotel New Varnum (American)—Room with bath, for one, \$4.00; for two, \$7.00 per day. Room without bath, for one, \$3.00; for two, \$5.00 per day.

Hotel New Richmond (American)—Room with bath, two in room, \$3.50 each per day. Room without bath, two in room, \$2.50 each per day.

Hotel Bancroft (American)—Room and meals, \$2.50 to \$3.00 per day, each person.

Hotel Congress Hall (American)—Room with bath, two in room, \$3.50 each per day. Room without bath, two in room, \$3.00 each per day.

OFFICIAL ROUTE.

The official route selected for the Department of Michigan is via the Pere Marquette, C. H. & D. and Baltimore and Ohio Railroads to Washington. In purchasing your tickets be sure they read by the above route.

Special train will leave Fort St., Union Depot, Detroit, Saturday, September 25th at ten o'clock p. m. The route from Pittsburg will be across the Alleghany Mountains to Cumberland and 200 miles along the beautiful Potomac River, through the Blue Ridge Mountains and Harper's

Ferry to Washington, passing many battlefields. Train is scheduled to pass through this scenic and historic country by daylight, arriving in Washington, D. C., at 6:15 p. m., Eastern time, September 26th.

For further information consult the enclosed circular, or write any of the officials named therein. Further literature will follow later.

The Department Commander desires and especially urges that the delegation from Michigan and their friends avail themselves of the privileges and delightful scenery offered by this trip to the National Encampment by going on Headquarters Special. Let all of the auxiliaries of the Grand Army of the Republic join with us and make this one of "Ye Olden" time get acquainted trips, that we may always remember.

Past Department Commanders and Delegates to the National Encampment are invited to join the Staff of the Department Commander on the parade, and they with the Aides-de-Camp will report to Comrade Frank R. Chase, Chief of Staff.

There will be a meeting of those entitled to seats in the National Encampment from this Department at Headquarters room, Metropolitan Hotel, Tuesday, September 28th at 5:00 p. m., to receive their delegate badges, and the transacting of any business properly coming before the meeting.

Delegates to the National Encampment are requested to notify the Assistant Adjutant General, Henry Spaulding, if they expect to attend the Encampment or not, so that alternates may be notified if necessary.

By order of

ELI STRONG,
Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, OCT. 26, 1915.

General Orders No. 4, Series 1915-16.

1. The 49th National Encampment, G. A. R., has passed into history. It surely was a grand success and the Department Commander takes this opportunity to thank the Comrades who went with him and assisted with their presence and helped to swell the number from Michigan. There were about 300 of our boys in line on the parade, for which I feel very proud.

Thanks are also extended to the W. R. C., Ladies of the G. A. R., and other allied organizations who went with us. Their presence and kind cheering words added very much pleasure to our trip. They are always ready with a helping hand to help the Comrades along in their declining years.

The Official Route for Headquarters Train being via the P. M.; C. H. & D.; and B. & O. R. R. Messrs. Corbin and Moorman, very active solicitors for our patronage, made many promises to us relative to equipment, service, etc., and guaranteed satisfaction. They went with us, and looked after our interests while on the trip, also in Washington, and

every promise made was fulfilled, and to them we extend our sincere "Thanks" for their kindness, and to the railroads who made it possible for them to carry out their promises. We appreciate what they did for us. The number going with us was double any expectation, and we say here that Michigan G. A. R. Headquarters never had better service or treatment on a trip to the National Encampment.

ELECTIONS AND REPORTS.

2. The annual election of Post officers, and delegates and alternates to the 38th Department Encampment G. A. R. (to be held in Bay City in 1916) under the Rules and Regulations must be held in the first meeting in December in 1915.

Enclosed herewith are blank forms for election returns of Post officers, also credential blanks for returns of election of delegates and alternates, and Past Post Commanders. These blanks should be filled out with names plainly written, and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General immediately after the election. Special care should be exercised in filling out these blanks. Observe the instructions carefully, that the name of every Comrade entitled to a seat and vote in the encampment shall appear thereon, as from these reports the official roll of the encampment is made up.

3. Blank forms A and B for Adjutants and Quartermasters reports will be sent later. These reports with the per capita tax of 12½ cents on each member in good standing are due at once after the last regular meeting in December, 1915. Post Commanders are urgently requested to give personal attention to the prompt transmittal of all reports.

Checks, drafts or money orders must be made payable to Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General G. A. R.

4. The memorial roll should be made out and sent in to these headquarters with the semi-annual reports. Carefully observe the instructions printed on the blanks, don't omit anything if possible. Recommendations for Comrades to serve on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief and Department Commander as Aides-de-Camp should not be forgotten. These appointments are honorable recognitions of merit, and worthy to be bestowed upon any good and faithful Comrade.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

5. The following additional Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby appointed. They will be honored and obeyed accordingly; Eli M. Ruggles, Post No. 3, William H. Hubbard, Post No. 67, John R. Davis, Post No. 170, James Gilboy, Post No. 433.

IN MEMORIAM.

It is with sadness that we announce another death among our Past Department Commanders.

Comrade Henry S. Dean, of Post 137, Ann Arbor, Mich., was born in Lima, New York, June 14th, 1830, and died at his home in Ann Arbor, Monday a. m., October 18, 1915. Funeral services at the house Wednes-

day p. m., October 20, 1915. About 200 ex-soldiers, among them the Department Officers and 10 Past Department Commanders were present to pay their last tribute of respect to their beloved Comrade. A good man, a brave soldier and a live worker for the Grand Army of the Republic, "Has Answered His Last Roll Call."

Comrade Dean settled in Livingston county, Mich., in 1857, where until 1862 he was a Justice of the Peace and conducted a milling business.

Comrade Dean helped to raise the 22d Michigan Infantry, and was commissioned Second Lieutenant of Co. H, July 28, 1862. He rose rapidly in rank, and on June 7, 1864 was commissioned Lieutenant-Colonel of his regiment. He was in command of the regiment from September 27, 1863, until June 25, 1865, when he was mustered out, and honorably discharged.

He participated in the campaigns in Kentucky and Tennessee, he also took part in the Atlanta campaign up to and including the battle of Jonesboro, and returned with General Thomas to Chattanooga, and was engaged in the battle at Nashville.

Comrade Dean helped to organize Welch Post No. 137, at Ann Arbor, Mich., May 8, 1883, and was elected as first Post Commander, holding that office for three years, always working for the best interest and up-building of his Post.

In 1892 he was elected Department Commander of Michigan Grand Army of the Republic, through his energetic work his Administration was a success. He has always stood by the Order, giving help and voice for its best interests, and was chairman of the Committee on Resolutions at the Department Encampment at Kalamazoo in 1915.

He leaves to mourn his loss a widow and one daughter, many friends and the ex-soldiers at large. "A Good Man Gone" we shall miss him from our councils.

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In memory of our deceased Comrade the charters of the Posts of this Department will be draped for a period of sixty days, from the date of this Order.

Official
HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

By order of
ELI STRONG,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, APRIL 10, 1916.

General Orders No. 5, Series 1915-16.

MEMORIAL DAY.

1. With increasing years and lessening numbers we approach the day set apart by legislative enactment and common consent of a grateful people to do honor to the Nation's saviors. We earnestly request all the

people of the commonwealth to join with us in making it a holy day, so, in the words of the immortal Lincoln, "that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain, that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people for the people, shall not perish from the earth." No other organization has such faithful auxiliaries; so long as they endure and patriotic men and women live, and the emblem of liberty floats, we may have the sublime assurance that time or distance will never efface the heroic deeds of the Nation's defenders of '61 to '65, or that any Union veteran's last resting place shall be neglected or forgotten.

2. For forty-eight years the beautiful custom of decorating the graves of those who having served their country in the days when the Union was in deadly peril, have passed on to the eternal camping grounds, has been observed as a sacred duty and a holy privilege by their surviving Comrades, and those who love to thus honor the memory of the brave instituted by that gallant soldier and patriotic American, Major Gen. John A Logan, who as Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, issued the order that established May 30th as Memorial Day, its observance has gone on from year to year, growing in the estimation of the people, until it is recognized in every State of the Union.

3. In accordance with the rules and regulations, and in compliance with general orders from National Headquarters, Tuesday, May 30th, will be observed by the Posts of this department as Memorial Day.

4. Flags throughout the department will be placed at half mast on the morning of May 30, and so remain until 12:00 m, when they will be raised to masthead for the remainder of the day.

5. Post Commanders will include President Lincoln's address at Gettysburg, and General John A. Logan's Order No. 11, inaugurating Memorial Day, in the program of exercises for Memorial Day.

6. The Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons and Daughters of Veterans, Spanish War Veterans, all patriotic organizations, and the citizens who sympathize with the spirit of the day, should be invited to unite with the Posts in the observance of the day.

7. Encourage the schools of the land to join with you in the decoration of the graves, giving to them much of the work to do under your direction and let a profusion of flags be carried by those who aid in the work, and especially in the line of march to and from the cemeteries.

8. In accordance with time-honored custom each Post will attend divine service in a body on Sunday, May 28th.

9. Post Chaplains are requested to forward at as early a date as possible, on blanks furnished them, the reports of Memorial Sunday and Memorial Day exercises to Rev. Samuel Heininger, Department Chaplain, 68 Maple St. W., Adrian, Mich., direct instead of to these headquarters as heretofore, this will insure promptness on the part of the Department Chaplain in transmitting his report to National Headquarters, also save this department the expense of extra postage.

By order of
ELI STRONG,
 Department Commander.

HENRY SPAULDING,
 Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL BUILDING, LANSING, MAY 22, 1916.

General Orders No. 6, Series 1915-16.

1. The Thirty-eighth Annual Encampment, Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in the City of Bay City, Michigan, June 20, 21, and 22, 1916. Bay City will extend open arms to receive us, and is making strenuous efforts to make our stay in the city pleasant, for us as well as for all the affiliated orders who will meet there at the same time. Let us respond in good round numbers to Bay City's invitation of WELCOME.

2. The Wenonah Hotel has been selected by the local committee as headquarters for the Grand Army of the Republic, Room 208.

A general outline of the program for the Encampment is now being arranged by the local committee, and will be distributed by the committee on Credentials, Registration.

3. The Committee on Credentials will meet at Department headquarters at 8:30 a. m., on Tuesday, June 20th, and will consist of the following: The Assistant Adjutant General, Henry Spaulding; Chairman, Byron Winchester, Post 48, Jackson; D. C. Spears, Post 10, Dundee; Samuel D. Bailey, Post 17, Detroit.

4. The Council of Administration will meet in headquarters room at 9:00 a. m., Tuesday, June 20th. All preliminary business to be attended to at this meeting.

5. Comrade Charles Gossler, of U. S. Grant Post, No. 67, Bay City, is hereby detailed as Officer of the Day and will report to the Assistant Adjutant General in uniform at 10:00 o'clock, Tuesday, June 20, 1916, for duty.

Comrade William Hubbard, of U. S. Grant Post No. 67, is hereby detailed as Officer of the Guard, he will detail a sufficient number of guards to take care of the entrances, to the Armory, while the Encampment is in session, they will be equipped with muskets and bayonets. This detail will report to the Officer of the Day for duty at the Armory, Tuesday, June 20th, at 1:00 o'clock p. m., SHARP.

THE WORK OF THE ENCAMPMENT.

6. The Encampment will be called to order at 2:00 o'clock p. m., Tuesday, June 20th, in the Armory; the Mayor of the city will deliver the address, response by the Department Commander Eli Strong (for further information consult program) the hall will then be cleared, and the encampment opened for official business in regular form.

The address of the Department Commander will be read and referred; reports of Department Officers will be read and referred.

CHILDREN'S CAMPFIRE.

A Childrens' Campfire will be held Tuesday evening, June 20, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. (for place and further particulars consult the program.)

Mrs. Carrie E. Torrey, the department president of the W. R. C., will

present a full U. S. regulation silk flag to the school which the local committee may select.

An address will be given by Comrade M. C. Barney, Department Patriotic Instructor, also remarks by members of W. R. C., Ladies of the G. A. R., and others.

A meeting of Post Patriotic Instructors conducted by M. C. Barney, Department Patriotic Instructor will be arranged and announced later, let all be active in this work and have their reports in not later than June 10th. Comrade Barney is a live wire; follow him and let your work show that you are doing your share in teaching the principles of patriotism.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21ST.

The encampment will be called to order at 9:00 o'clock a. m. and proceed with the regular order of business.

At 1:30 p. m., the annual parade of the Department will take place, the Department Veteran Drum Corps will furnish the old war-time music that will stir the hearts of the Comrades as they march over the smooth streets of Bay City, less than a mile from the start to the Armory, where the parade will be dismissed.

Commander-in-Chief, Elias R. Monford, will be present and review the parade, after this the encampment will reassemble and listen to the address of our Commander-in-Chief, after which the encampment will proceed with the regular order of business.

GENERAL CAMPFIRE.

Wednesday evening, June 21st, at 7:30 p. m., the general campfire, will be held in the armory. A fine program will be arranged. For full particulars see program.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22ND.

The encampment will be called to order at 9:00 o'clock a. m., and proceed with the regular order of business, and continue until the work of the encampment is completed.

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS.

7. Bay City is prepared to take care of all that come and the rates are very reasonable, rooms from 50c up. Meals a la carte, and from 25c up; for any information or reservations address, Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert, chairman of the local committee, Bay City.

8. Consolidated forms A and B for the term ending June 30, 1916, are enclosed herewith. Adjutants and Quartermasters of Posts should make out their reports in duplicate at once after the last meeting in June and forward one copy, with the amount of the per capita tax of 12½ cents for each member in good standing, to these headquarters on or before July 5th, 1916. Comrades, the Assistant Adjutant General has until July 20th, to make his reports, so Comrades please be prompt with your reports, and save the Department time and postage, the figures in red ink must not be changed.

Make all checks and money orders (until further orders) payable to Henry Spaulding, Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R.

9. Wednesday, June 14th, is Flag Day, let special honor be done this day to the Emblem of Liberty, equal rights and National unity.

Post Patriotic Instructors should, if possible, arrange special program for the observance of this day.

10. You will find enclosed Roster for 1916, please acknowledge receipt of same at once and oblige.

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

11. The following additional Aides-de-Camp have been appointed, they will be honored and obeyed accordingly:

Josiah P. Hackett, Post 160, Corunna.

C. A. Warner, Post 14, Benton Harbor.

Matt Kohn, Post 126, Belding.

Fred M. Nay, Post 182, Fremont.

William Sherwood, Post 402, Fairgrove.

William Herrington, Post 66, East Jordan.

George Pringle, Post 66, East Jordan.

HENRY SPAULDING,
Assistant Adjutant General.

By order of
ELI STRONG,
Department Commander.

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