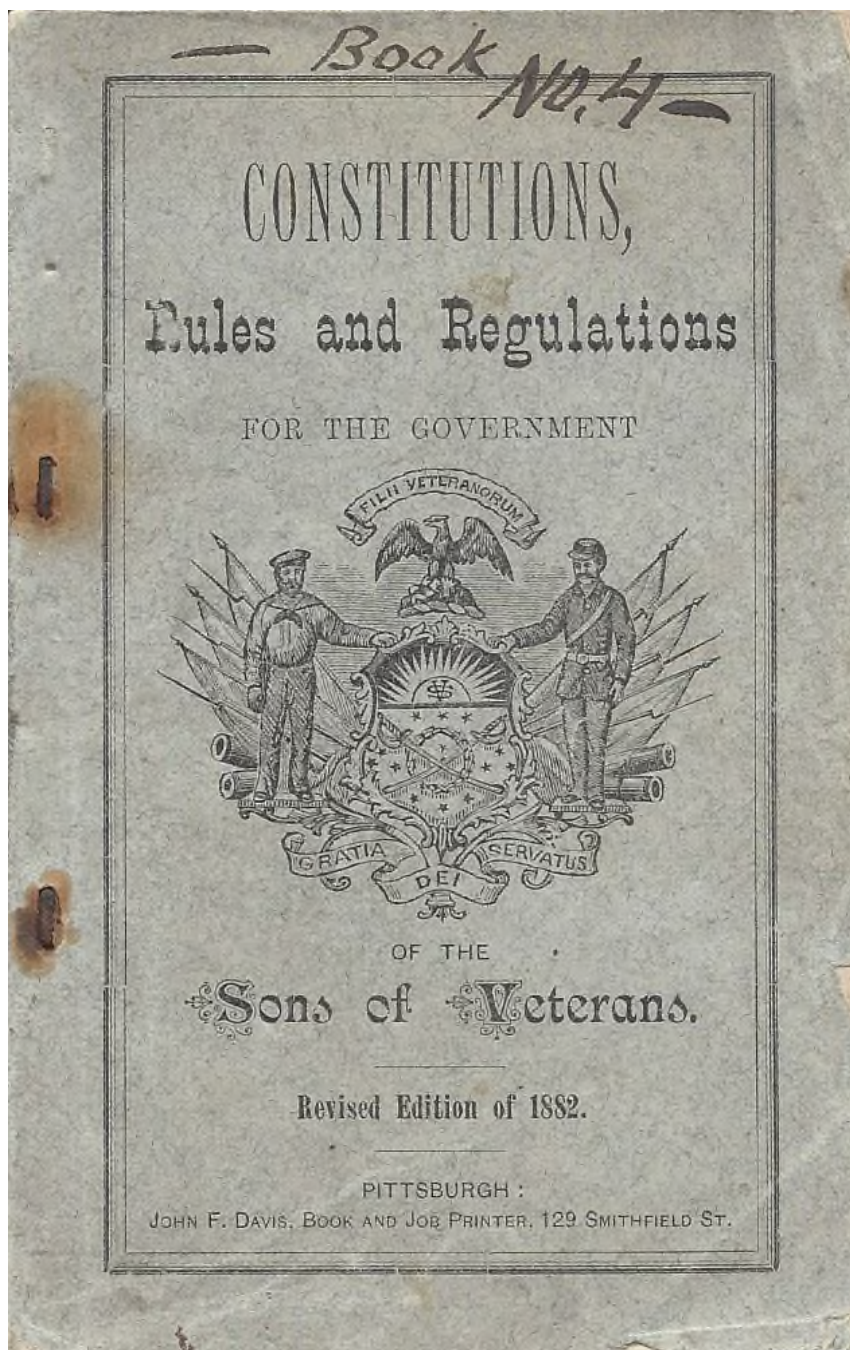


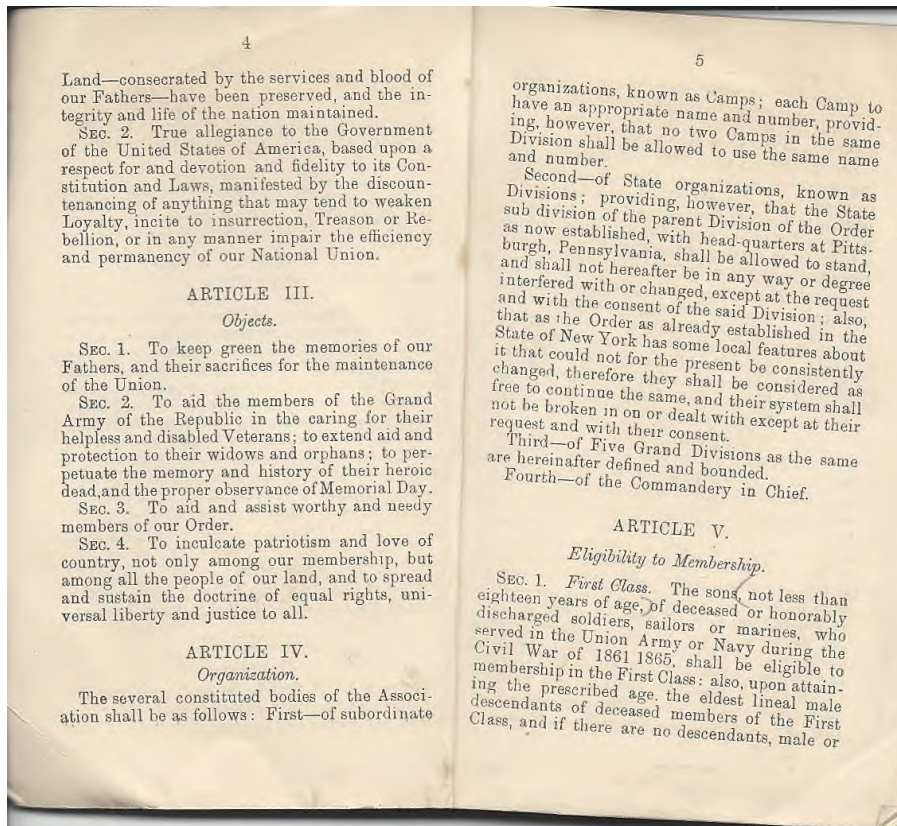
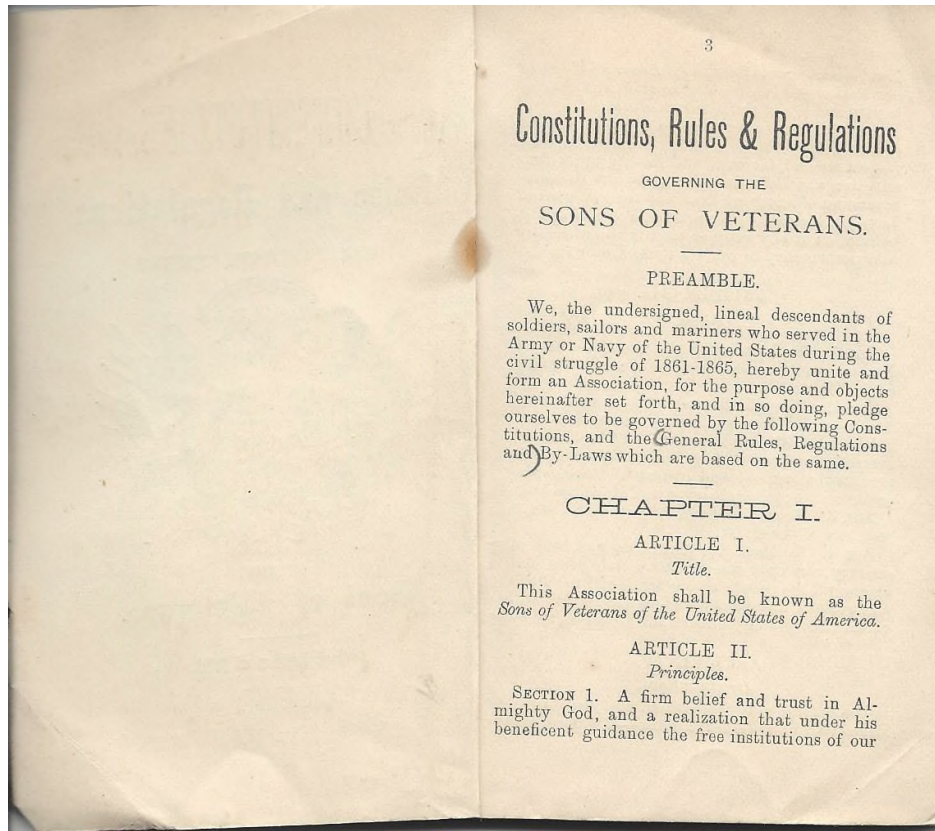
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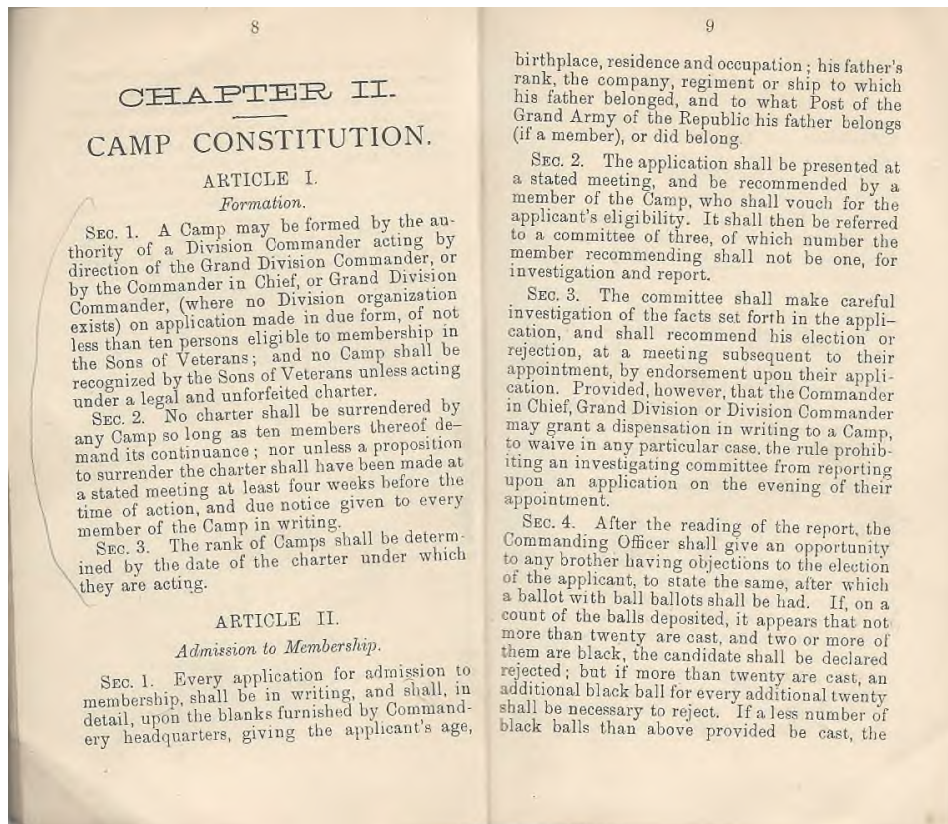
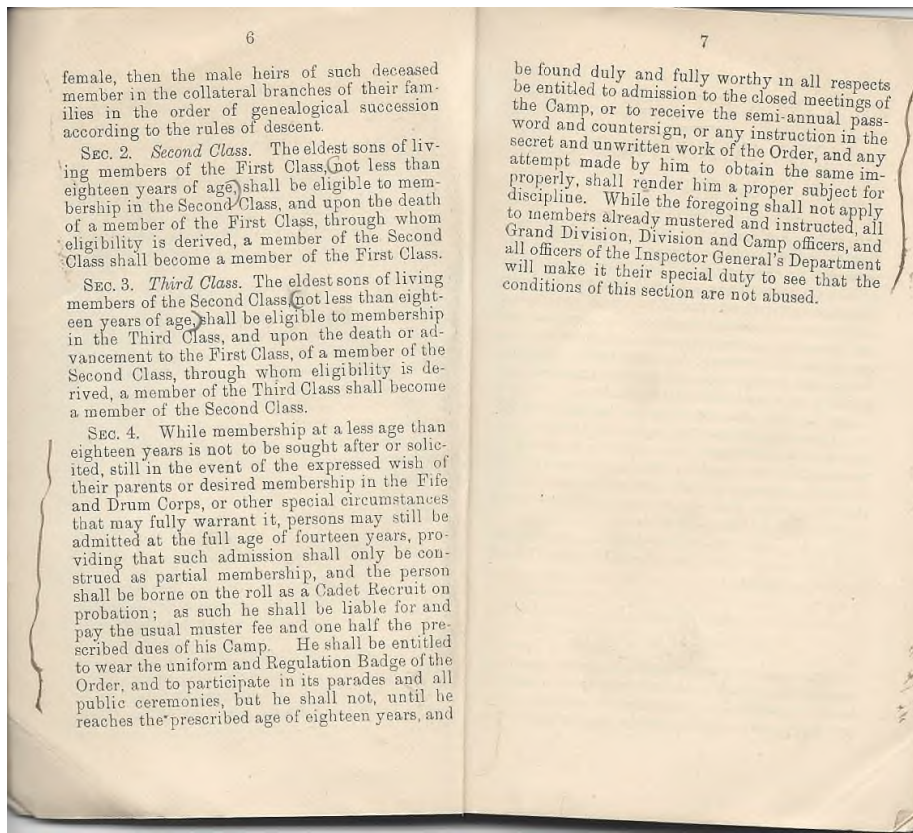
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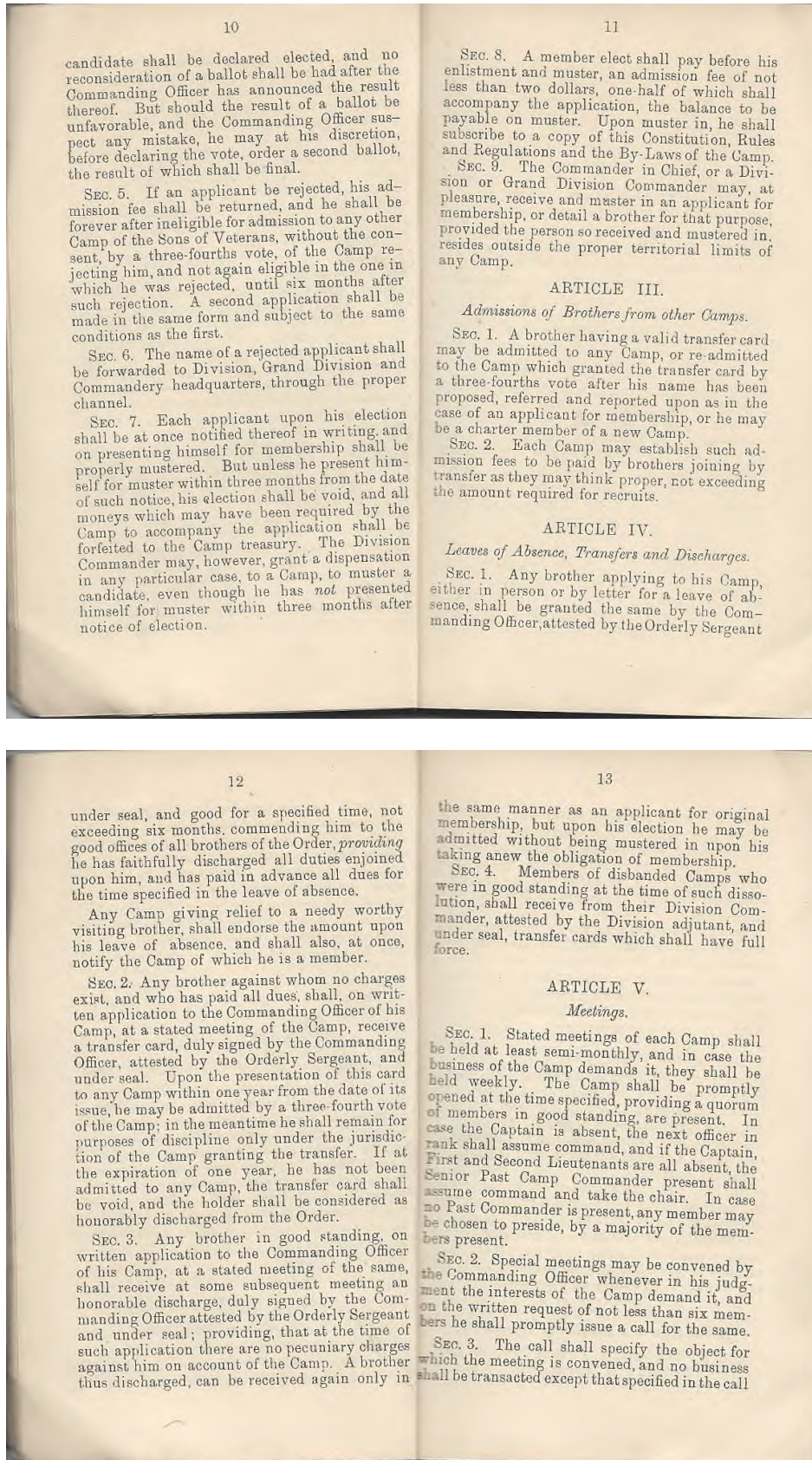
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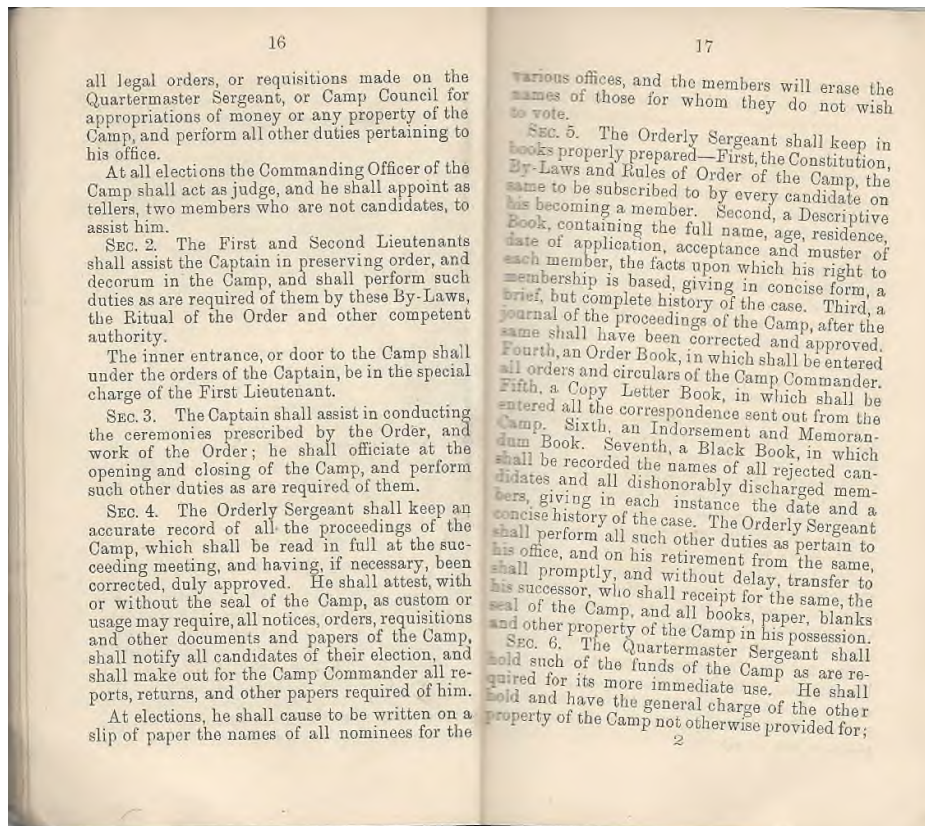
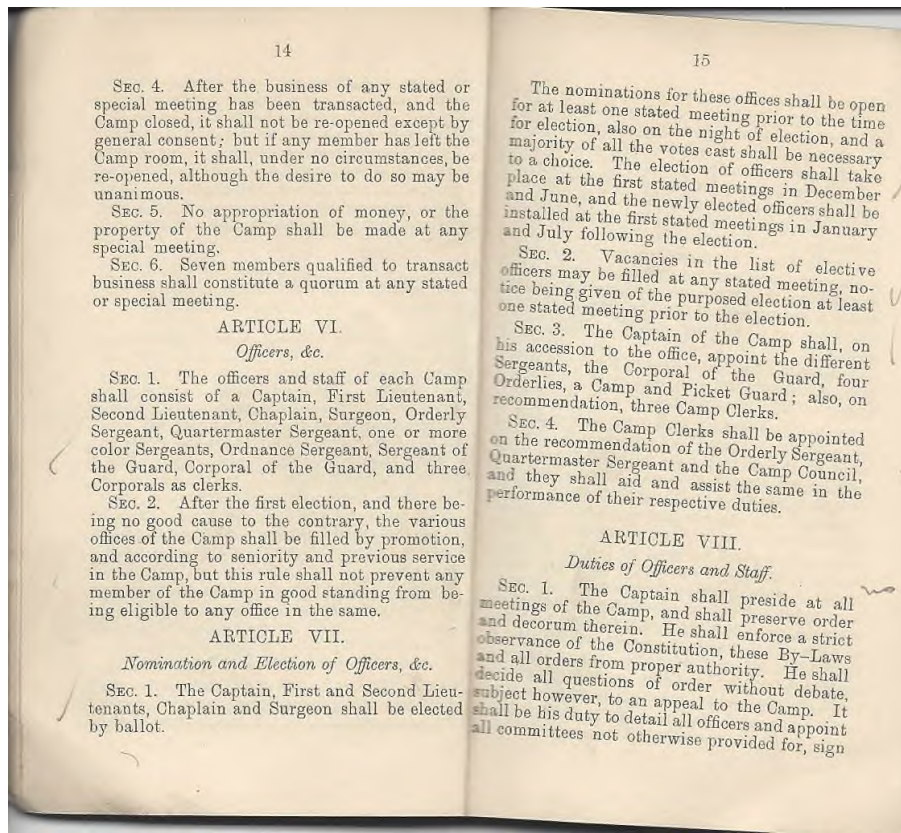
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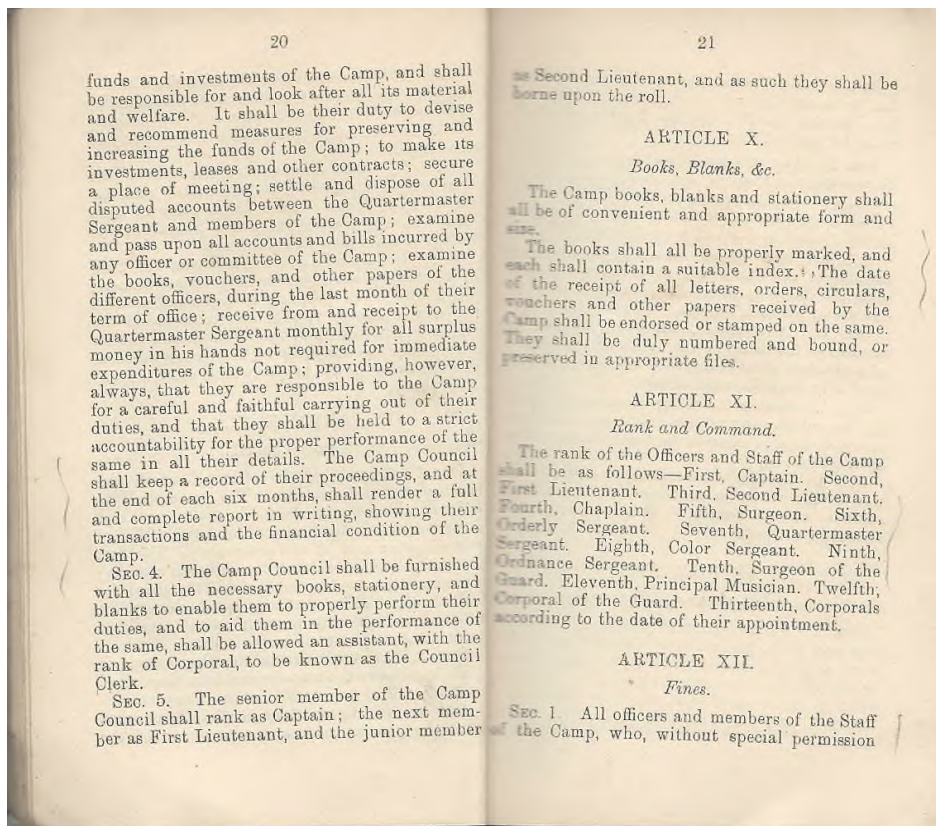
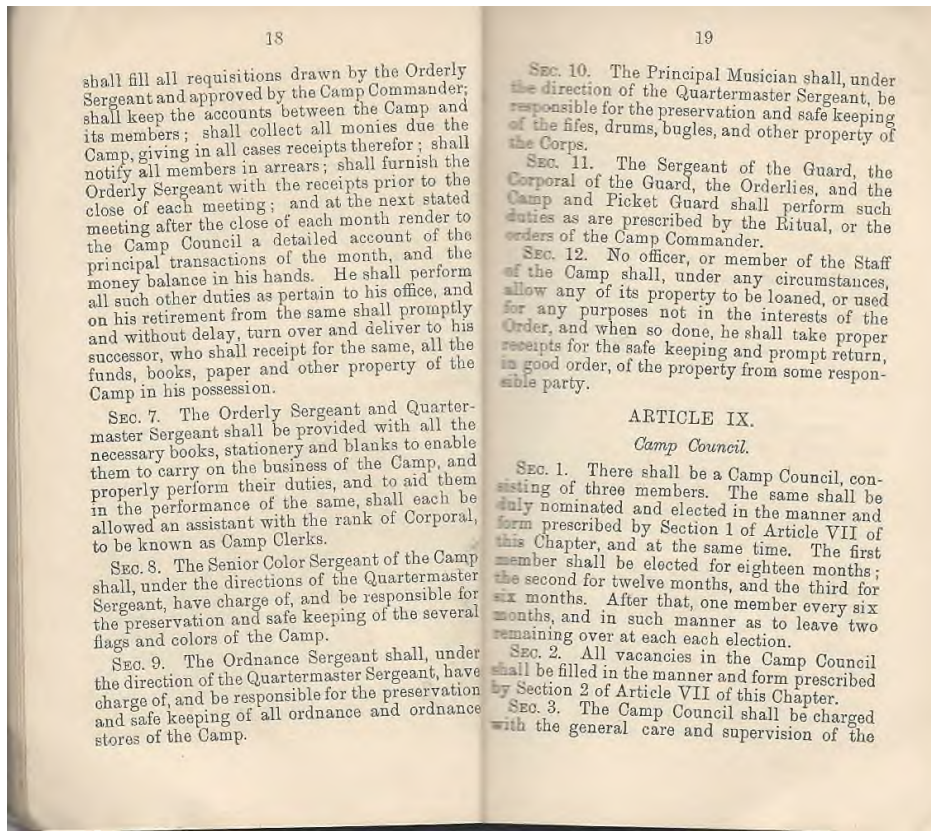
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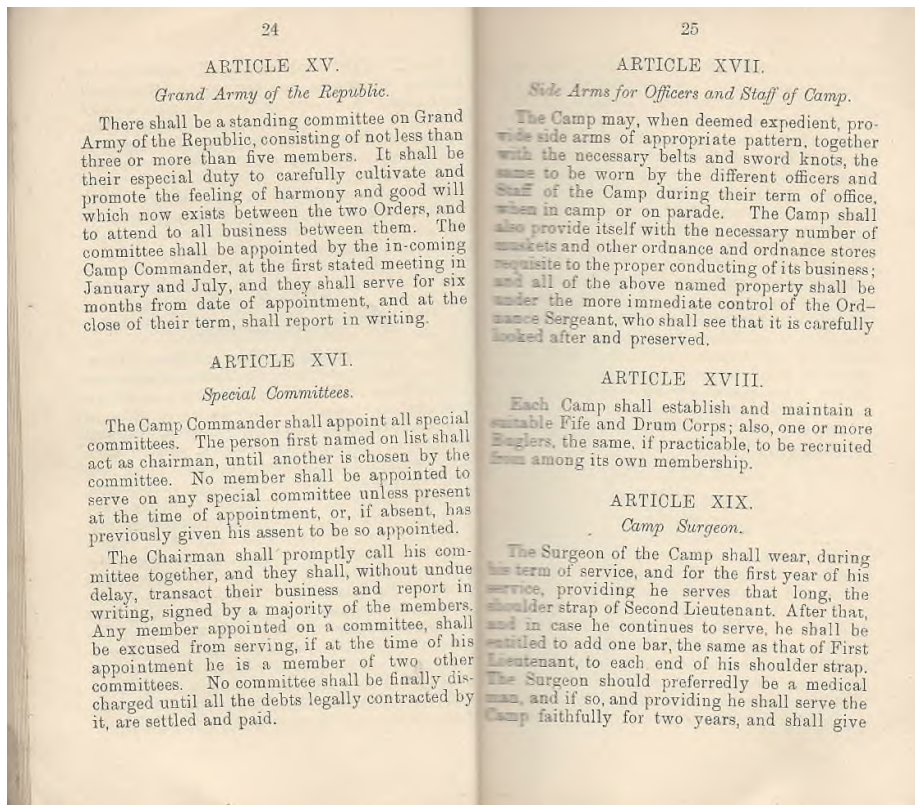
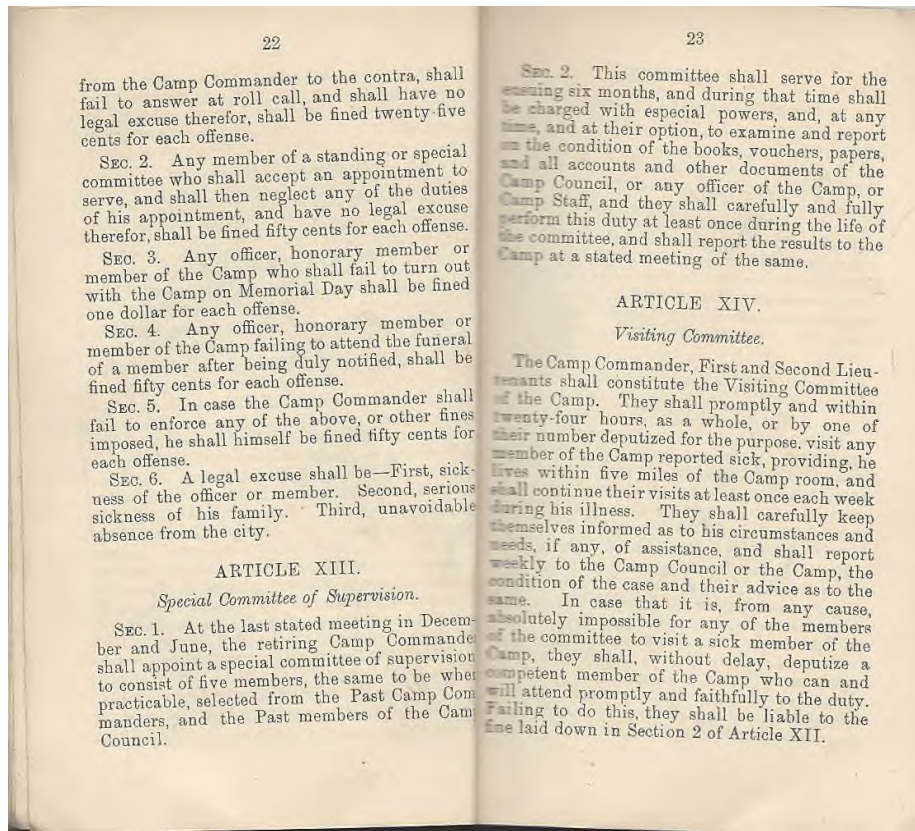
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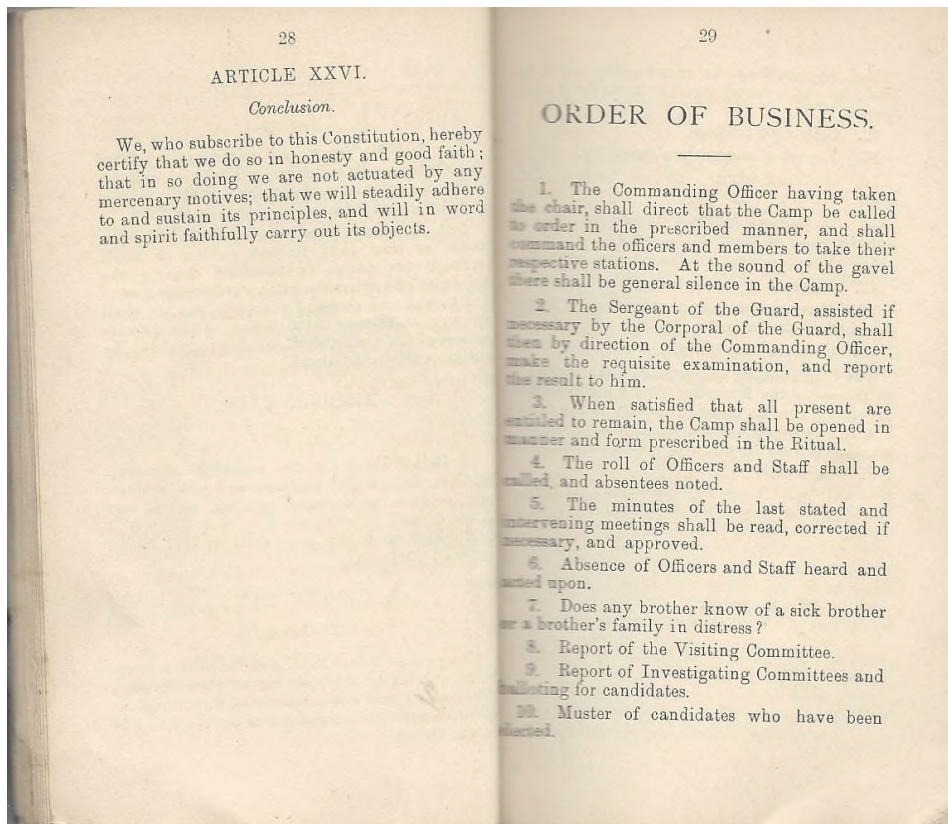
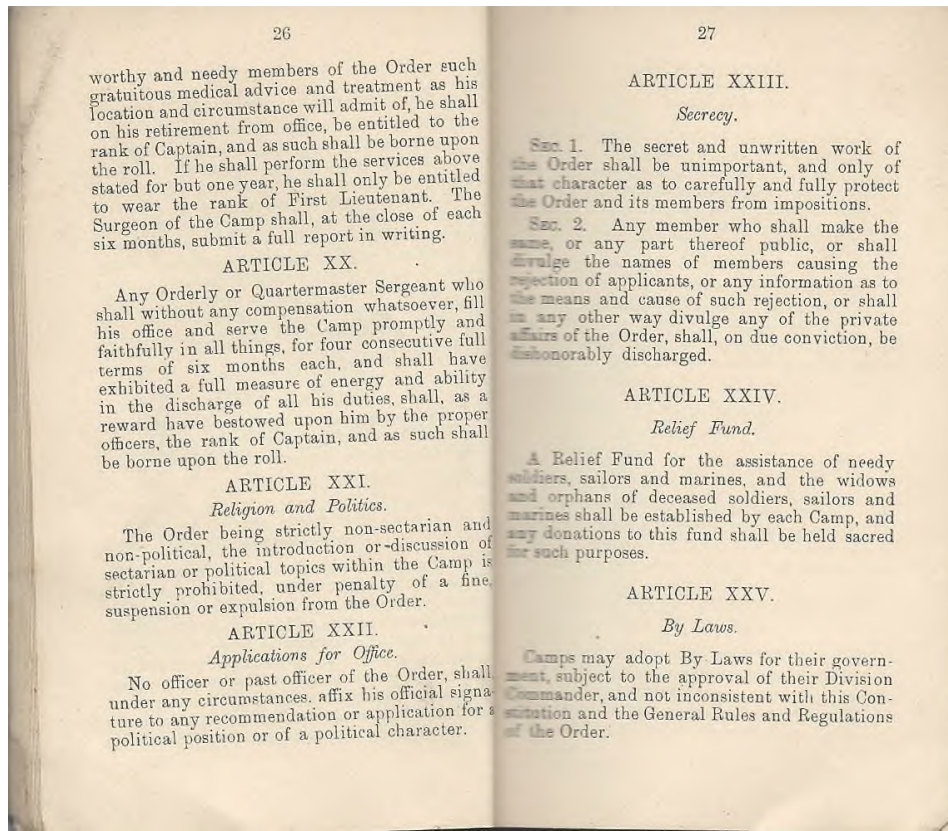
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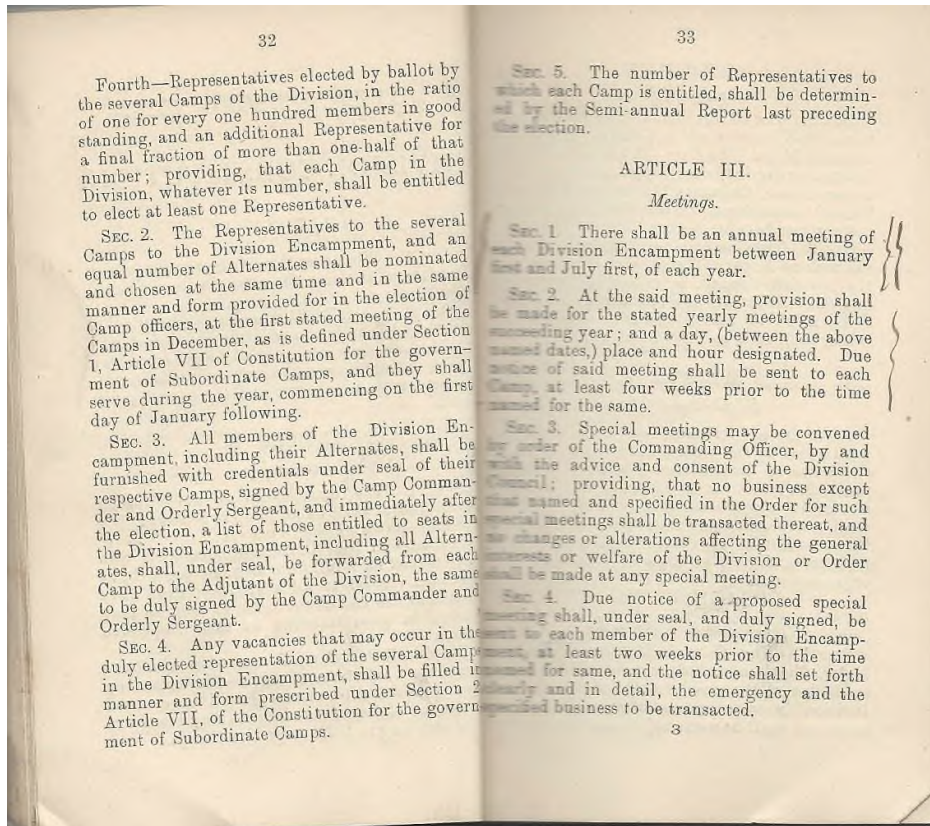
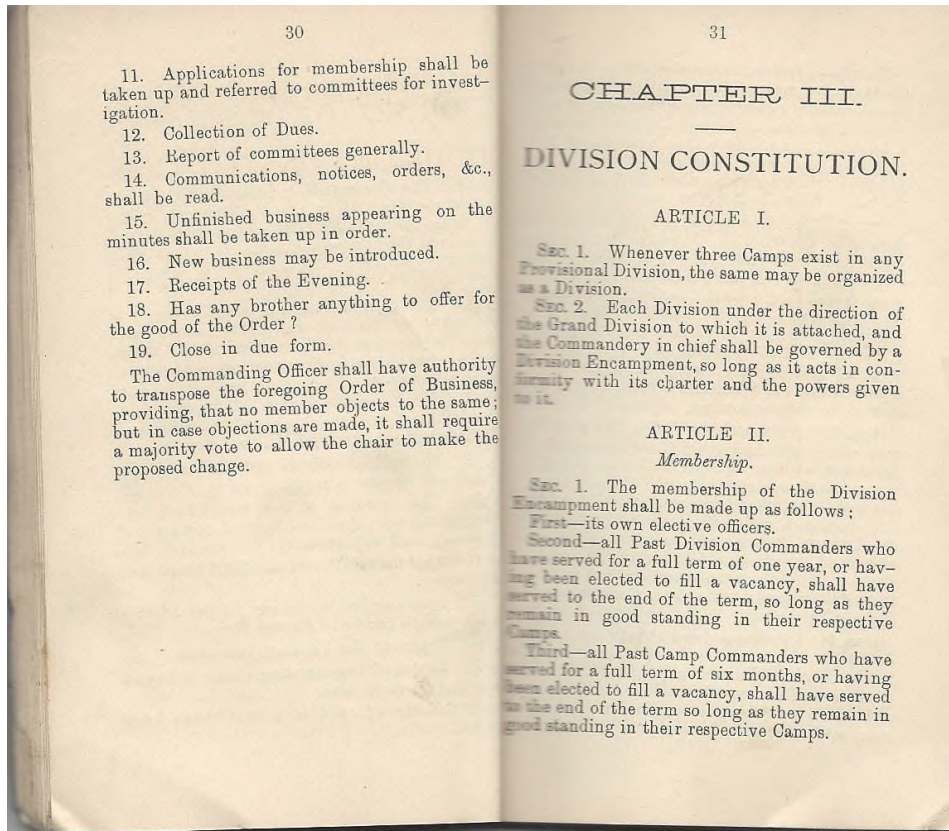
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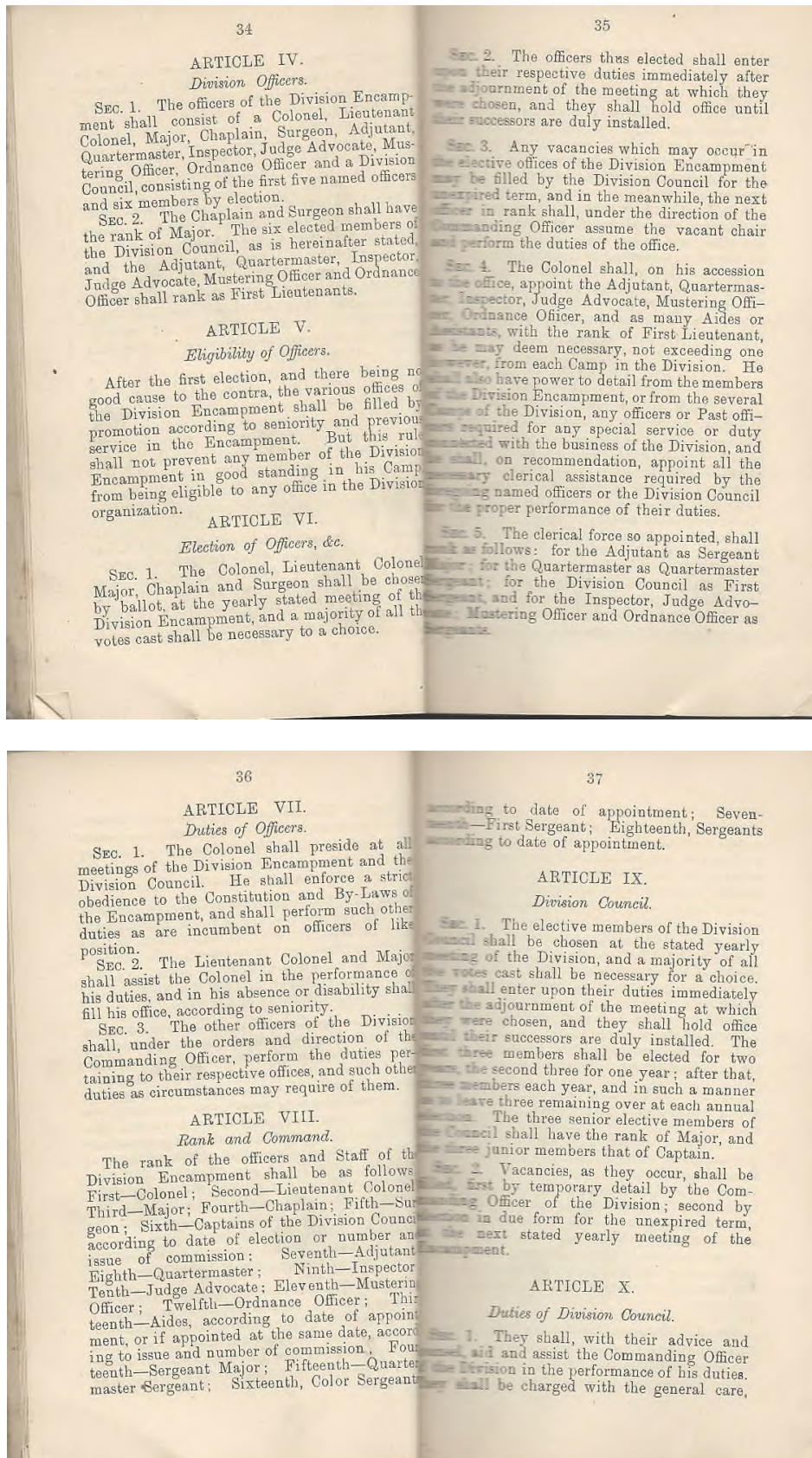
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control and supervision of the funds of the Division Encampment, and shall be responsible to and look after all its material interests. They shall devise and recommend such measures as will enable the Encampment to meet all its necessary expenditures, and shall examine and pass upon all accounts and bills incurred by any and all officers and committees of the Encampment. They shall examine all the books, vouchers and other papers of all the different officers of the Encampment, and shall audit all their accounts. They shall keep a full and detailed record of all their proceedings, and shall present a complete report to the Division Encampment, at each stated yearly meeting of the same, and at such other times as the Commanding Officer of the Division may direct.

SEC. 2. The Division Council shall have one stated meeting each year: the same to be held one day prior to, and at the same place as that of the stated yearly meeting of the Division Encampment. Special meetings of the Division Council may be convened by the Commanding Officer of the Division at such times and places within the Division limits as he may direct, providing, that due notice of the same shall, in due form, be sent to each member of the Council at least two weeks prior to the time named for the meeting, and the notice shall set forth in due form the emergency, and the business to be transacted.

SEC. 3. Three members of the Division Council shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the same, at which business is to be transacted.

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ARTICLE XI.

*Committees.*

SEC. 1. The Committee on Credentials shall consist of five members: they shall be appointed by the Commanding Officer at the stated yearly meeting of the Division, as is provided for in the Order of Business. They shall serve for the following year, and the Adjutant or Sergeant Major shall act as their Secretary.

SEC. 2. At the yearly stated meeting of the Division Encampment, the Colonel shall, on his accession to the office, appoint such other standing committees, if any, as he may deem necessary, and, at the same time, or during his term of office, he shall appoint such other special committees as he may require for any particular service.

SEC. 3. The said committee shall consist of not less than three or more than five members, and the Commanding Officer shall fill vacancies in the same, as occasion may require.

SEC. 4. The person first named on the list shall act as chairman of any standing or special committee until another is chosen by the committee, and no committee shall be finally discharged until all the debts legally contracted by it are settled and paid.

ARTICLE XII.

*By-Laws.*

Division Encampments may adopt By-Laws for their government, subject to the approval of their Grand Division Commander, and not inconsistent with this Constitution and the General Rules and Regulations of the Order.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening of the Encampment in due form.
2. Roll call of Officers.
3. Report of the Committee on Credentials
4. Roll call of members.
5. Reports of officers, commencing with that of the Division Commander.
6. Appointment of committees consisting of five members each, as follows:  
First—Committee on Credentials for the following year.  
Second—Committees on Reports of officers.  
Third—Committees on Constitution for Subordinate Camps, By-Laws and Ritual, &c.
7. Reception and reference of communications from Subordinate Camps, to be called according to seniority.
8. Reception and reference of communications from individuals.
9. Reports of Committees.
10. Unfinished business appearing on the minutes, to be taken up in order.
11. New business may be introduced.
12. Election and Installation of officers.

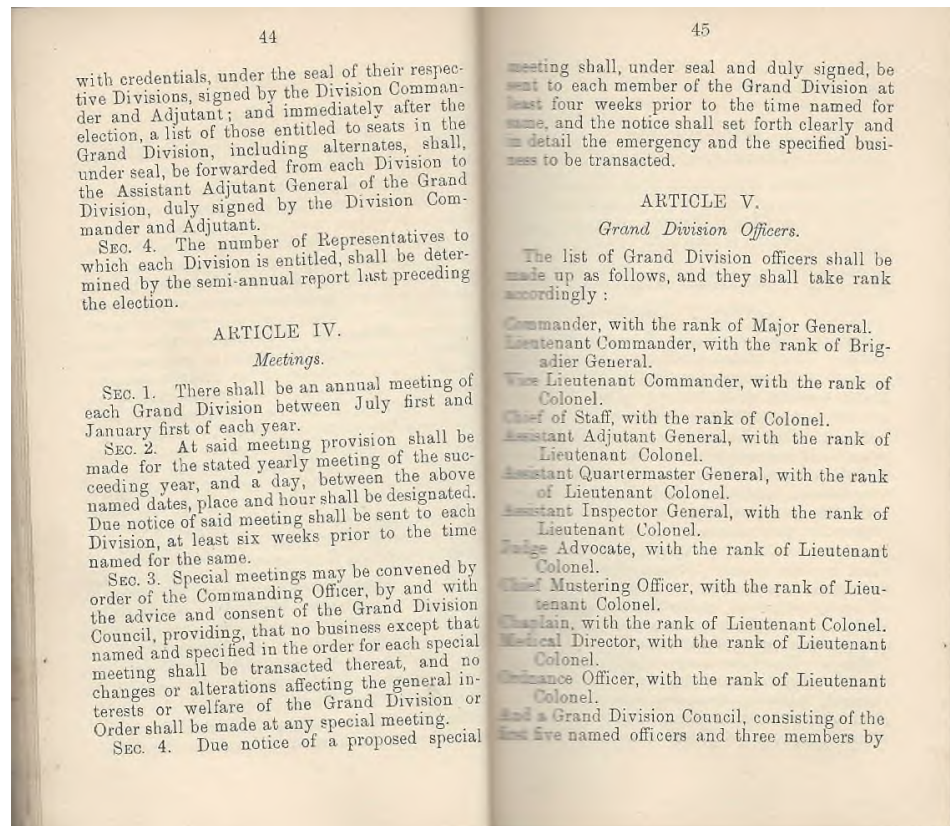
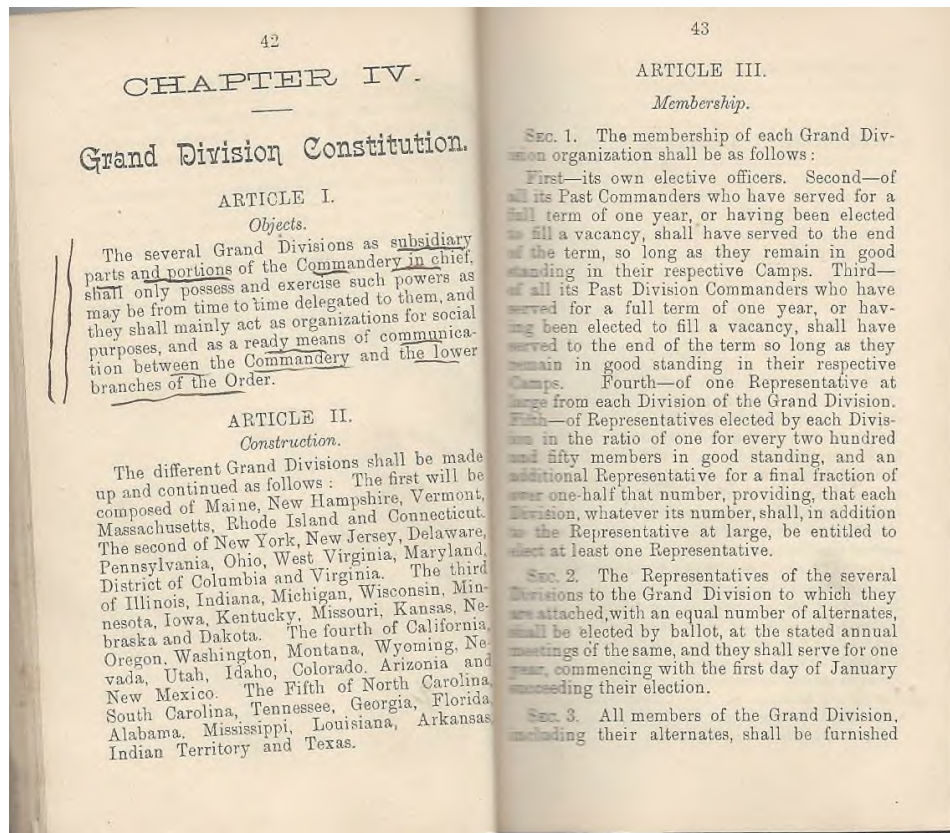
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13. At the second and each succeeding session, the minutes of the preceding session shall be read immediately after the opening ceremonies. This shall also be done before the closing exercises at the last session.

14. This Order of Business may be suspended at any time, for a definite purpose, by a three-fourths vote of the Encampment, to be taken without debate. The action of the Division Encampment on the reports of committees on Constitution for Subordinate Camps, &c., shall be limited to recommendations and requests to be submitted in due form to the Grand Division and the Commandery in chief.

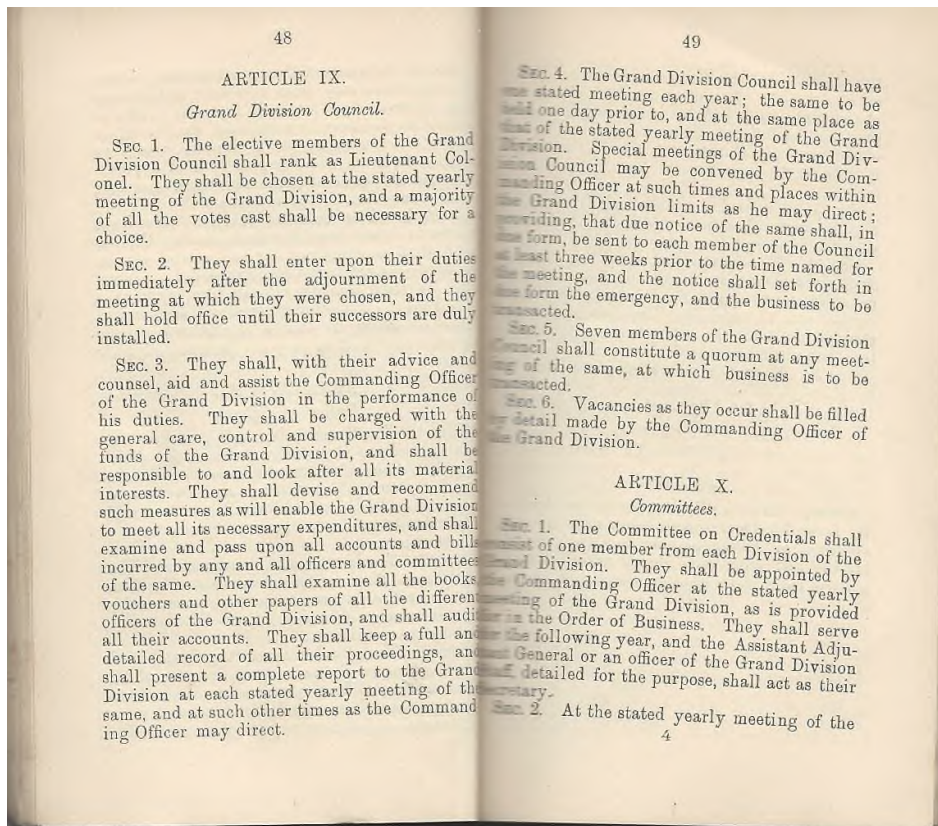
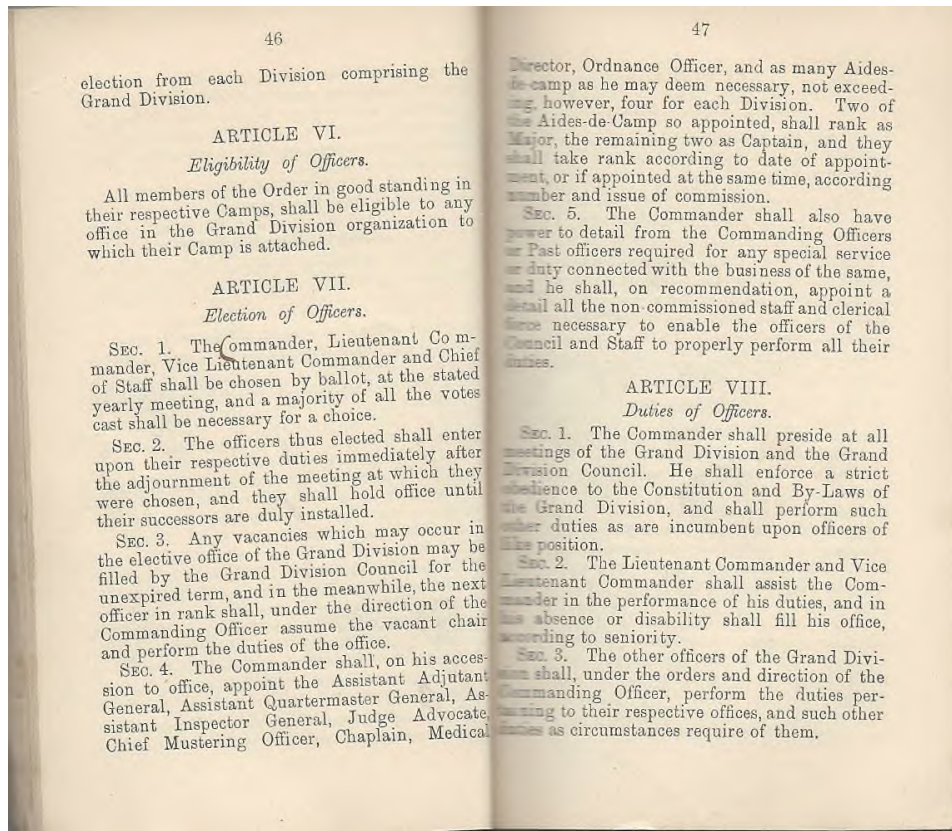
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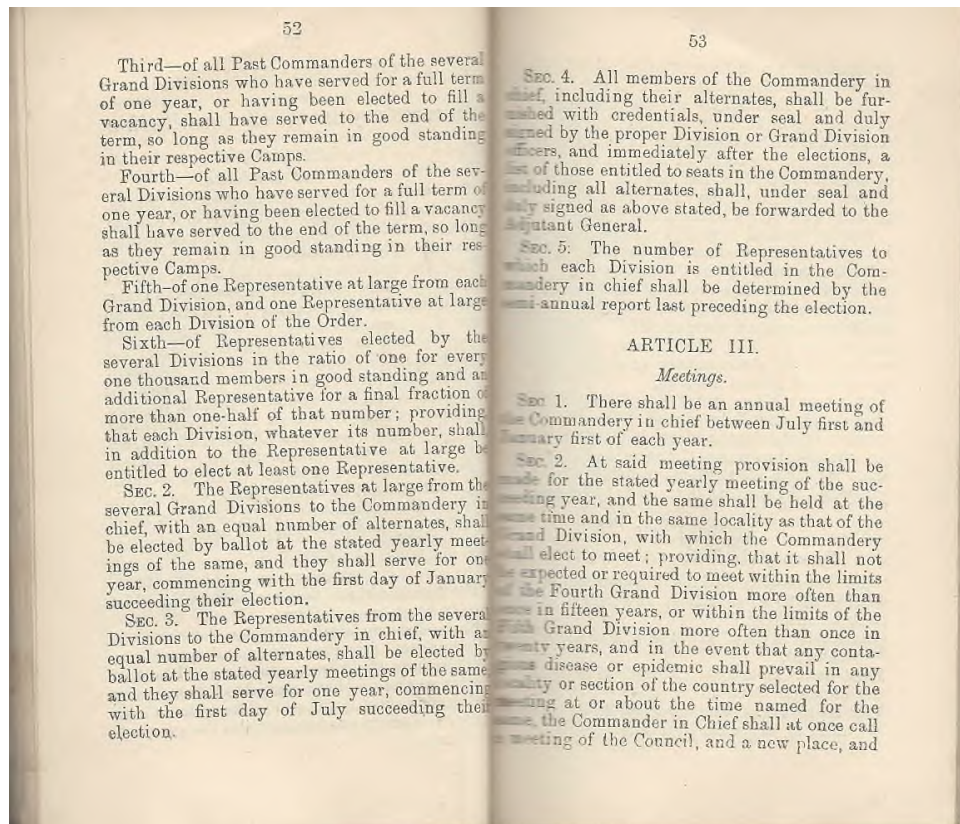
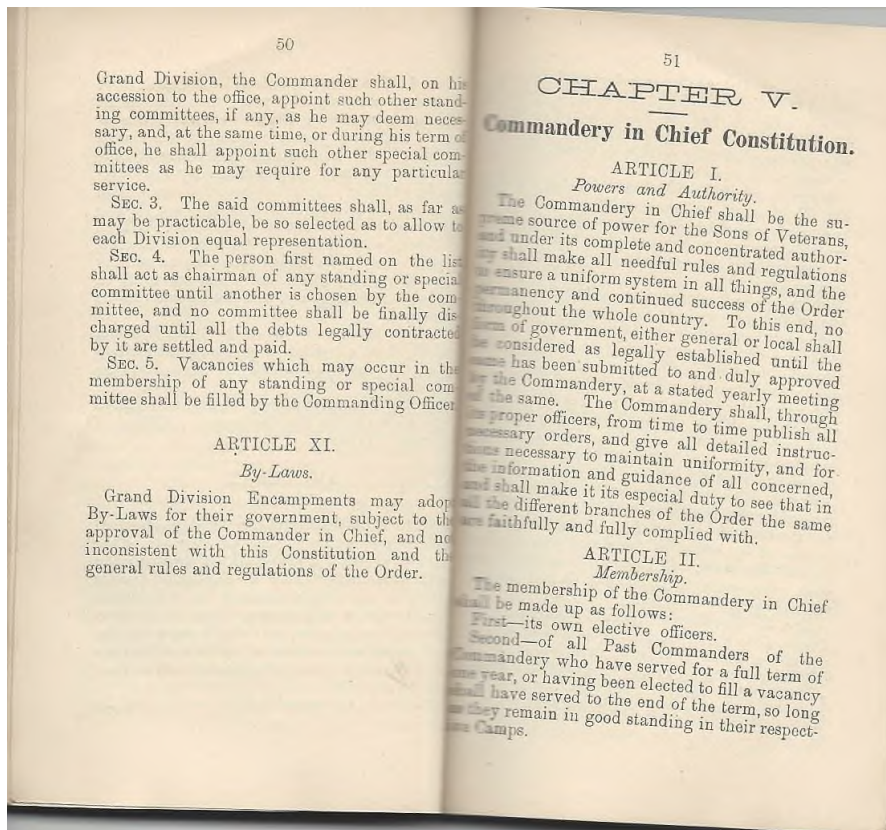
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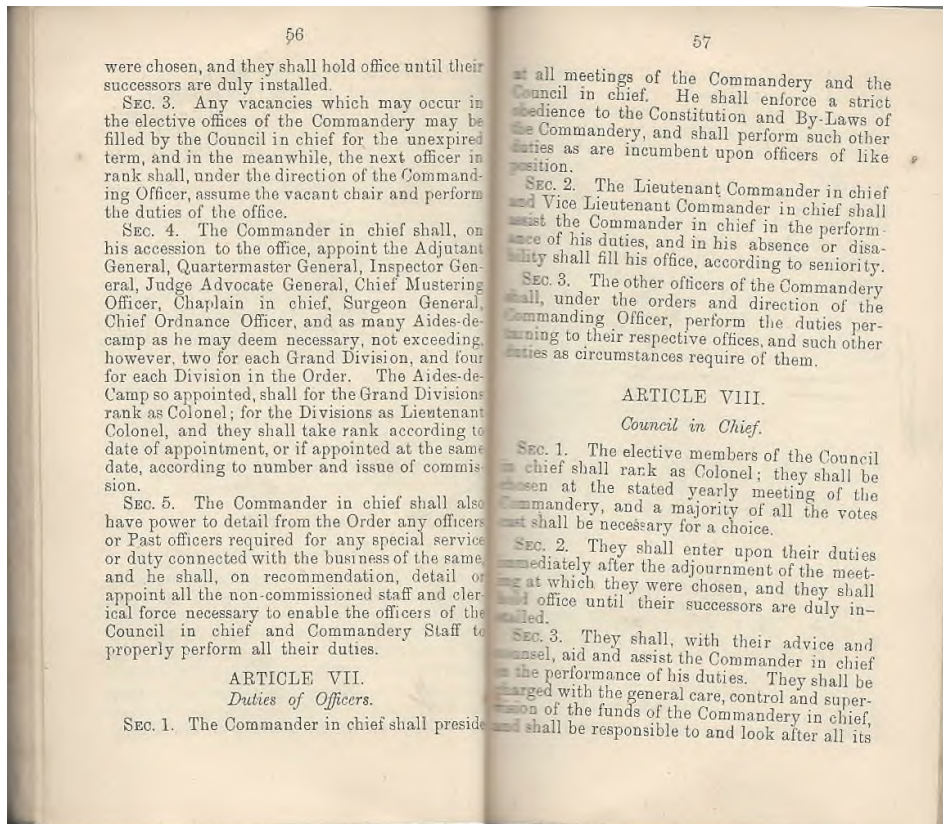
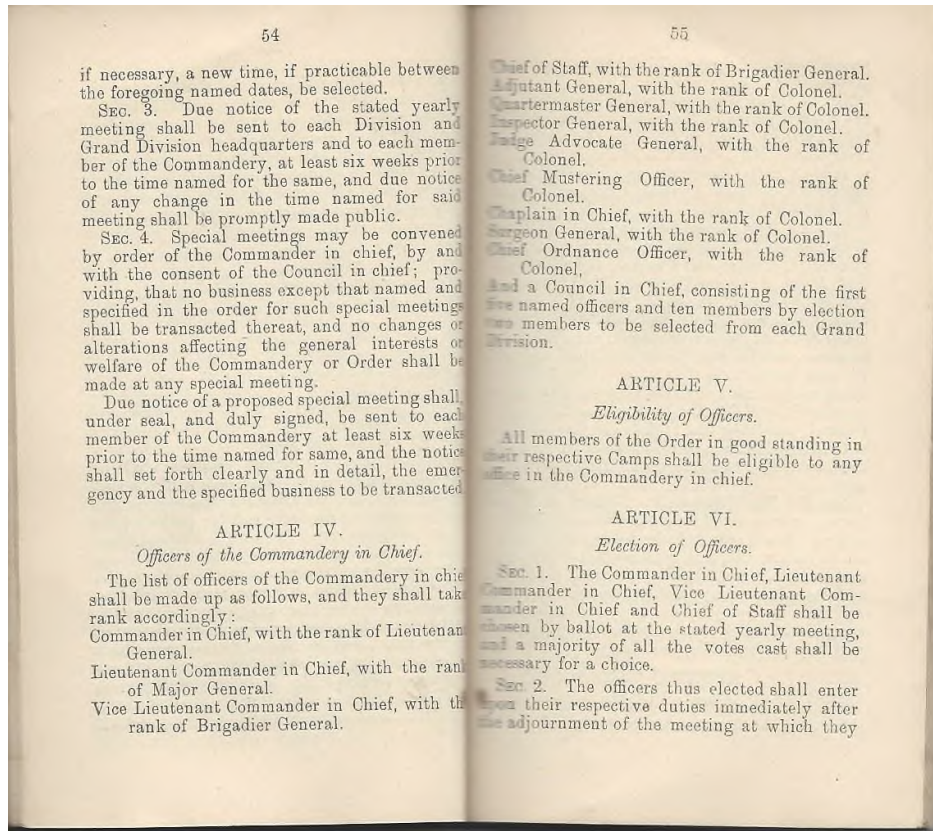
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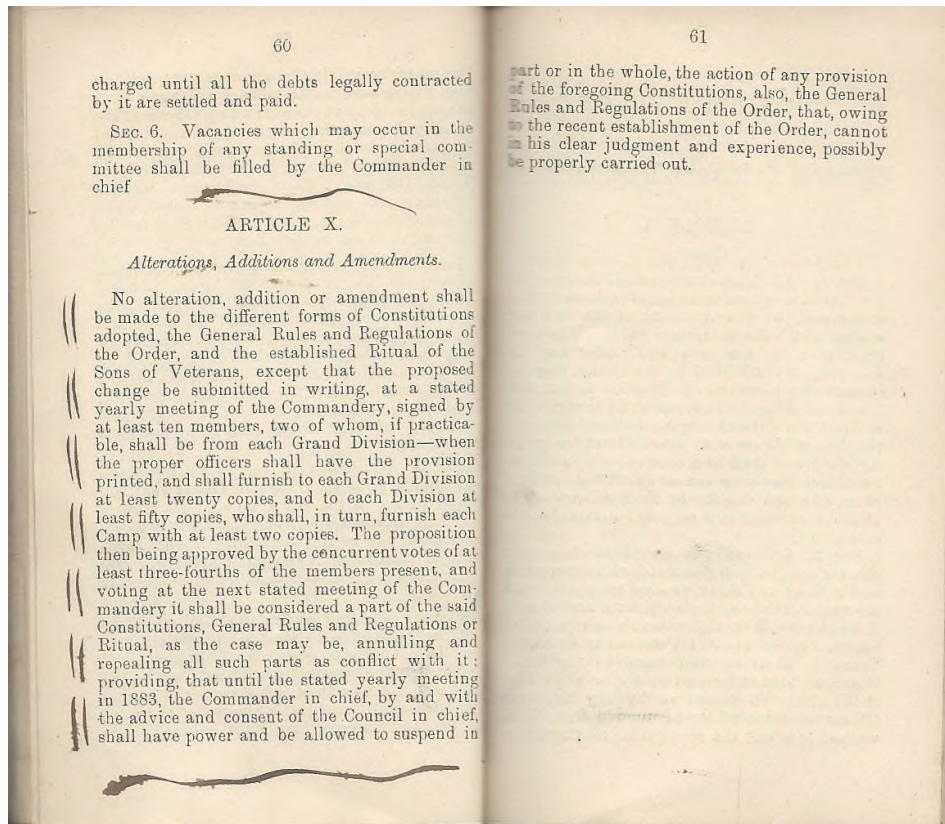
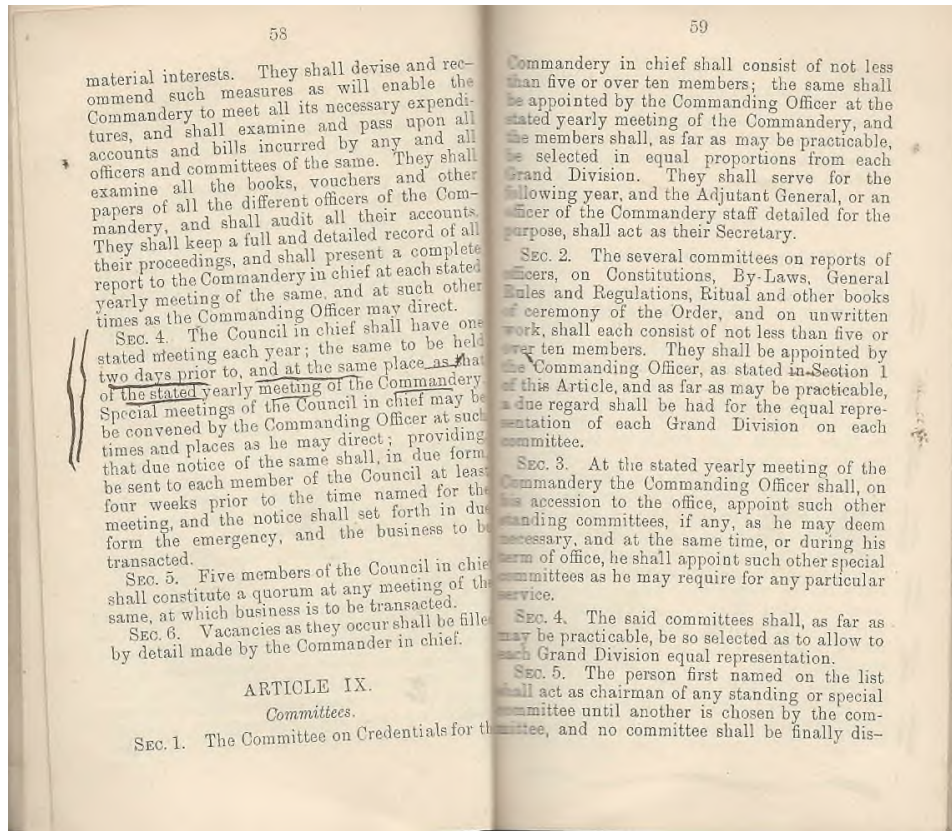
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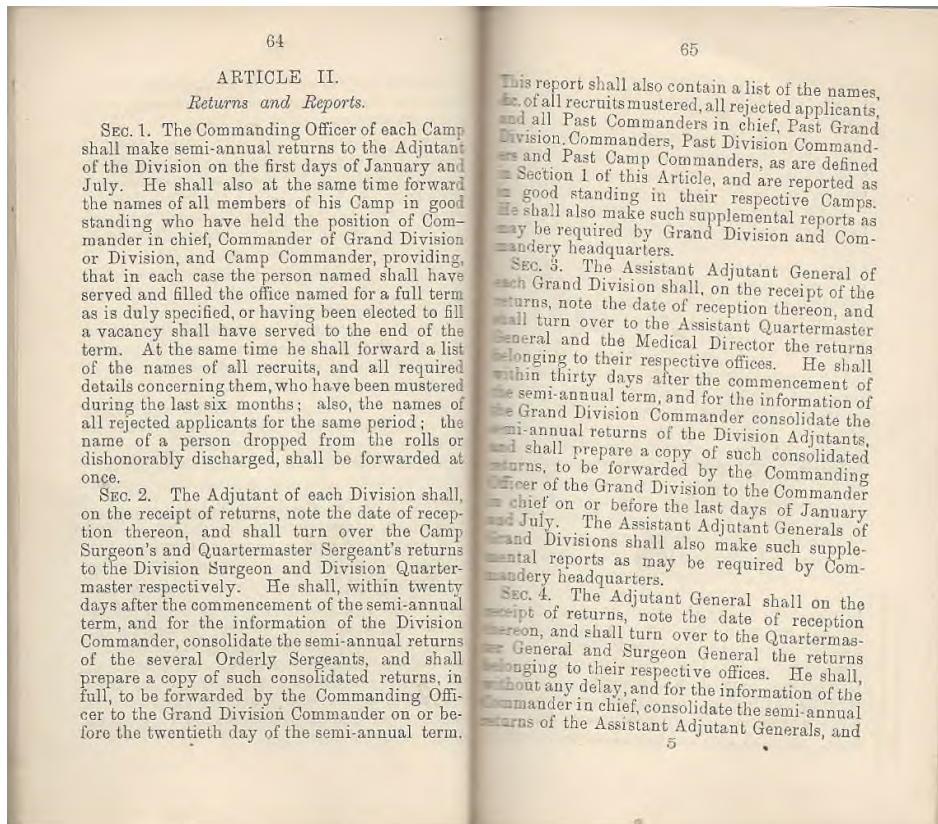
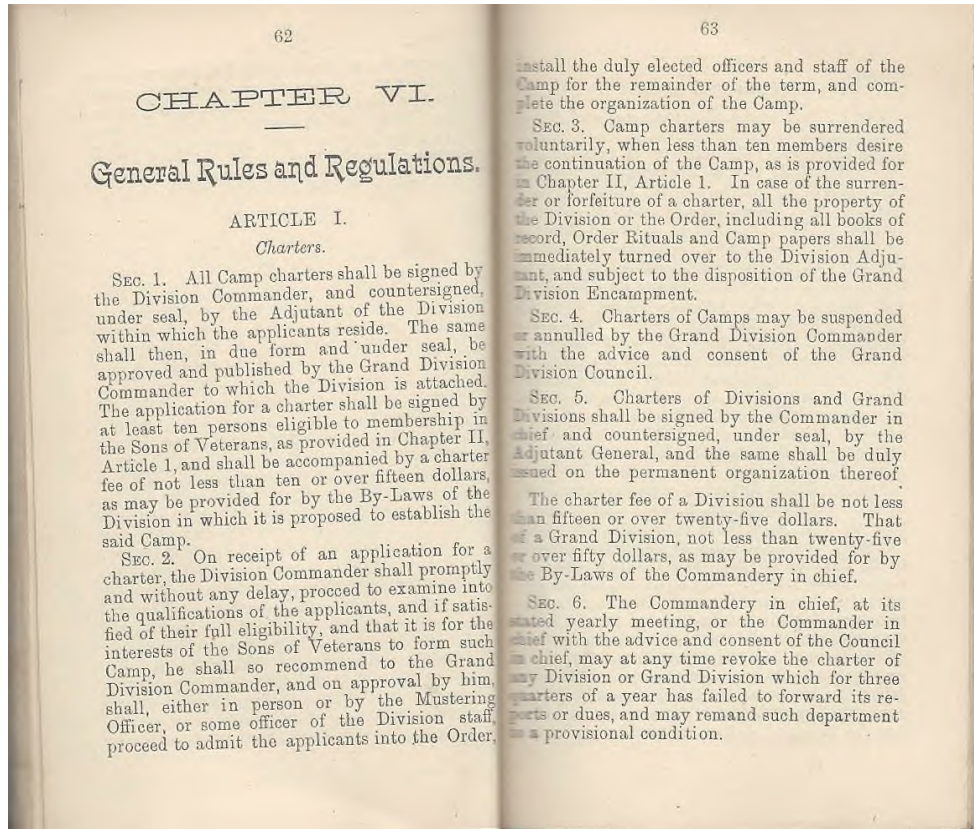
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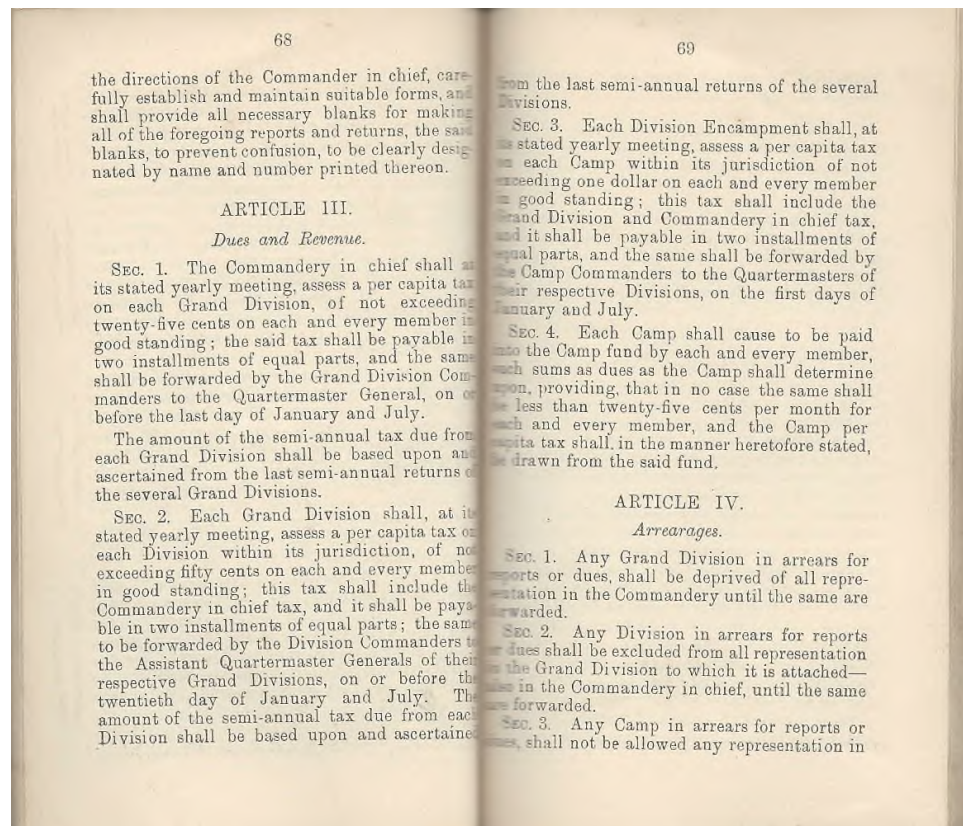
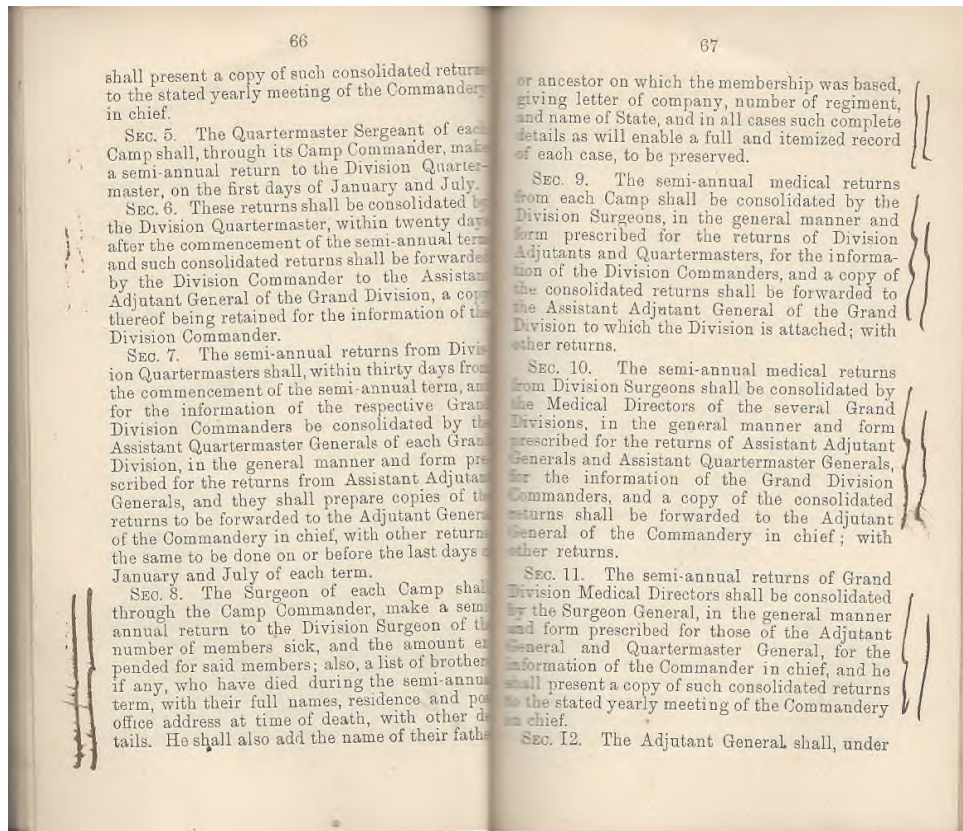
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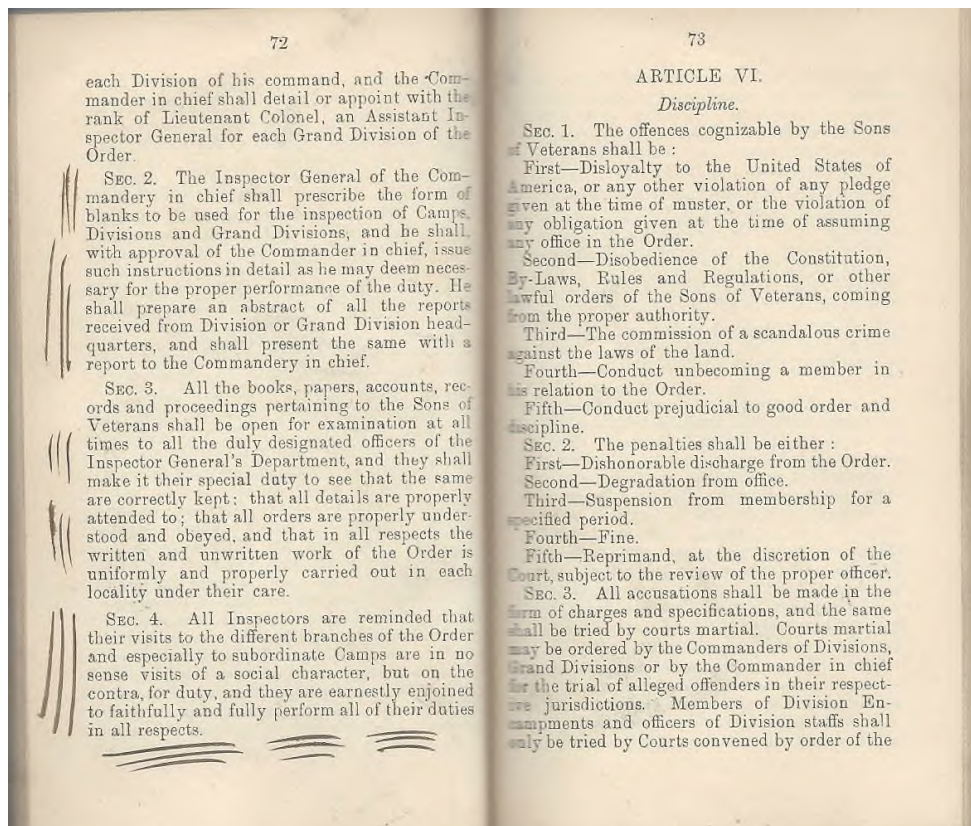
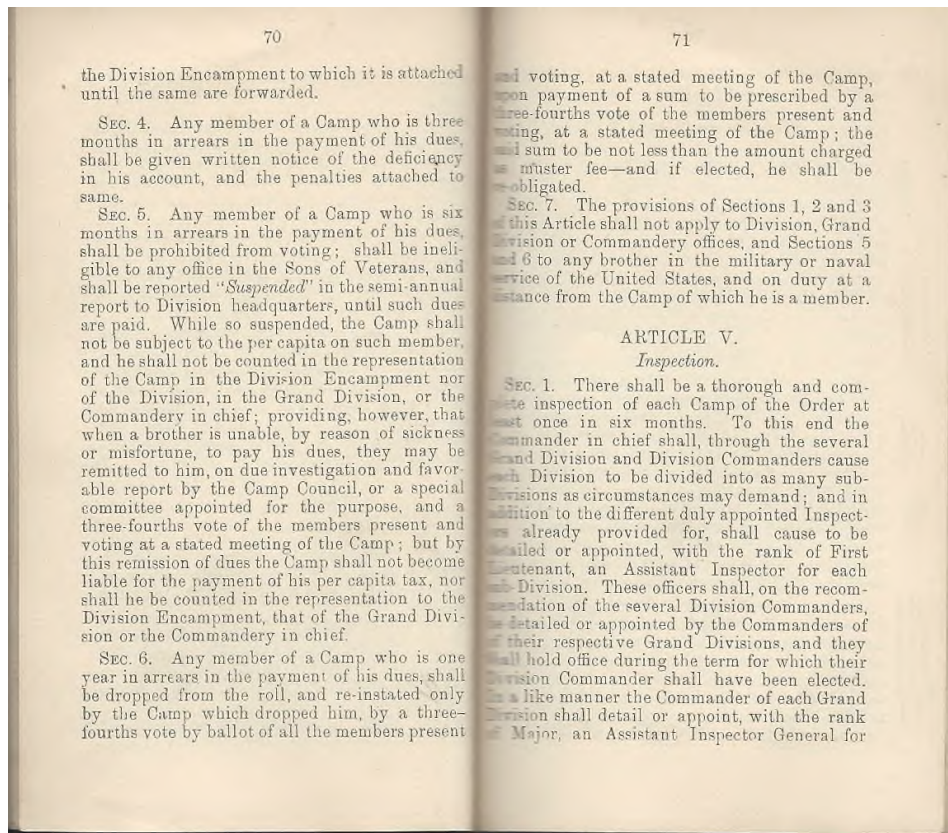
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Grand Division Commander to which they are attached, or by orders issued direct from the Commander in chief. Members of the Commandery in chief and officers of the Commandery staff shall only be tried by Courts convened by order of the Commander in chief.

SEC. 4. Courts martial shall be governed in their mode of proceeding and rules of evidence, by the Revised United States Army Regulations, established military usage, and such orders as may be issued by the Commandery in chief; provided, however, that in the wilful absence of the accused after due notice of the time and place of trial has been given to him, or left at his usual place of abode, the Court may proceed in all respects as if he were present and had pleaded "not guilty."

SEC. 5. All members of the Sons of Veterans when summoned, shall attend as witnesses before any Court martial, and their testimony shall be taken on their honor, as brothers. The evidence of persons not members of the Order shall be taken under oath, when not inconsistent with the laws of the place where the Court is held. Where such extra judicial oaths are forbidden by law, the evidence of witnesses not members of the Sons of Veterans may be received at the discretion of the Court, on their honor as men, and the fact that they have not been duly sworn shall be considered by the Court in deciding upon their creditability.

SEC. 6. No sentence of a Court martial shall be carried into execution until the whole proceedings shall have been laid before the officer ordering the same, or his successor in office, for his confirmation or disapproval and orders in the

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case, and no sentence of dishonorable discharge from the Sons of Veterans, except by a Court martial convened by order of the Commander in chief, until after the whole proceedings shall have been laid before the officer next superior to the one ordering the Court, for his confirmation or disapproval and orders thereon.

SEC. 7. When charges are preferred against any brother holding office, the Division or Grand Division Commanders, or the Commander in chief in their respective jurisdictions may suspend the accused from office. During the suspension of a Camp, Division or Grand Division Commander their places shall be filled by the next officer in rank and command.

SEC. 8. In case the accused is charged with an offense under paragraph 3, Section 1 of this Article, the record of his conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction shall be *prima facie* evidence of his guilt of the offense of which he is so charged.

ARTICLE VII.

Bonds.

SEC. 1. Every Quartermaster Sergeant shall give bonds in a sum to be named by his Camp, with sufficient sureties, for the faithful discharge of his duties.

SEC. 2. Every Division Quartermaster shall give bonds in a sum to be named by the Division Council, with sufficient sureties, for the faithful discharge of his trust.

SEC. 3. The Assistant Adjutant General and the Assistant Quartermaster General of each Grand Division shall give bonds in a sum to be named by their Grand Division Council, with

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sufficient sureties, for the faithful discharge of their duties.

SEC. 4. The Adjutant General and Quartermaster General shall also give bonds in a sum to be named by the Council in chief, with sufficient sureties, for the faithful discharge of their duties.

SEC. 5. The bonds of the above named officers shall be approved and held by their respective Commanding Officers, as trustees for their several commands.

ARTICLE VIII.

Compensation.

The Adjutant General, Quartermaster General, Assistant Adjutant Generals, Assistant Quartermaster Generals, Division Adjutants and Quartermasters may, for a prompt, careful and faithful performance of all their respective duties, be allowed such moderate and reasonable compensation as may from time to time be determined upon by their respective organizations.

ARTICLE IX.

Uniform for Officers and Members.

SEC. 1. The uniform for camp and parade shall be a dark blue flannel single breasted sack coat, of medium length, with falling collar, four large size S. V. buttons down the front, and two small size S. V. buttons on the under seam of each sleeve. A dark blue flannel single breasted vest, with or without collar, and with five or six, as may be desired, small size S. V. buttons down the front. Dark blue flannel pants, and fatigue cap similar to G. A. R. pattern, with gold cord,

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embroidered wreath in front, containing in silver embroidery the letters S. V. in old English characters, and the number of the Camp. The top of cap shall contain a device according to design furnished, the same to be known as the Division Badge.

The coat and vest shall be made with eyelet holes, so that the buttons can be changed, and the garments used for ordinary purposes.

SEC. 2. Whenever the officers of the Commandery in chief or those of any Grand Division or Division shall so desire, and as members of their respective organizations shall, as a body, in due form, so elect, they may in lieu of the foregoing described cap, wear a cap of the same shape and proportions, with a black silk velvet band, gold cord and gold embroidered wreath in front, containing in silver embroidery the letters S. V. in old English characters, and omitting the number of their Camp. In the centre of top of cap shall be placed in cloth, their Division badge edged with a thread of gold embroidery, not over one-sixteenth of an inch wide, and the centre of cap shall contain in silver embroidery the letters U. S. in old English characters, or in lieu thereof, a miniature representation in gold of the Corps badge, of their father or ancestor, the same not to exceed one half of an inch in size. All Past Division Commanders, Past Grand Division Commanders and Past Commanders in chief, shall, if they so desire, be entitled to wear the above named cap in lieu of the regulation cap of membership, but this privilege shall not extend to other members of the Order.

SEC. 3. Whenever the officers of the Commandery in chief, or those of any Grand Division

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shall so desire, and as members of their respective organizations, shall as a body, in due form elect, they shall be entitled, as a ready means of recognition, to wear attached to and covering the outer seam of their pants, a strip of gold lace one-fourth of an inch wide. This privilege shall also extend to all Past Grand Division Commanders, and all Past Commanders in chief, but not to other members of the Order.

## ARTICLE X.

### *Insignas of Rank.*

SEC. 1. The insignas of actual rank in the several bodies of the Order to be worn by officers during their period of service, as such, and for no longer, shall, in substance, be those of the United States service, from 1861 to 1865, to wit:

First—For all officers of subordinate Camps, shoulder straps of blue cloth or velvet, same shade as the National color, seven-eighths of an inch wide by three and three-fourths long, bordered by one row of gold embroidery one-fourth of an inch wide. The outside measurements of the strap shall be one and three-eighths of an inch wide by four inches long.

Second—For all Division officers, shoulder straps of black silk velvet seven-eighths of an inch wide by three and one-half inches long, bordered by two rows of gold embroidery, each row to be one-eighth and one-sixteenth of an inch wide. The outside measurements of strap shall be one and five-eighths of an inch wide by four and one-fourth of an inch long.

Third—For all Grand Division officers and all officers of the Commandery in chief, shoulder straps of black silk velvet seven-eighths of an

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inch wide by three and three-fourths of an inch long, bordered by three rows of gold embroidery, each row to be a full one-eighth of an inch wide. The outside measurements of strap shall be one and three-fourths of an inch wide by four and five-eighths of an inch long.

Fourth—The insignas upon the straps shall be as follows:

For General four silver embroidered stars of the same size, and of five points placed equidistant from each other.

For Lieutenant General three silver embroidered stars of the same size, one star to be placed in the middle of strap and one on each side equidistant between the centre and inner edge of the embroidery at the ends of the strap.

For Major General two silver embroidered stars of the same size.

For Brigadier General one silver embroidered star, the centre of the same to be equidistant from the inner edge of the embroidery at the ends of the strap.

For Colonel silver embroidered eagle, two inches between the tips of the wings, having in right talon an olive branch, and in the left a bundle of arrows; an escutcheon on the breast, as represented in the Arms of the United States.

For Lieutenant Colonel a silver embroidered leaf at each end of strap, each leaf to extend seven-eighths of an inch from the end border of the strap.

For Major a gold embroidered leaf at each end of strap; each leaf to extend seven-eighths of an inch from the end border of the strap.

For Captain two gold embroidered bars, each one-fourth of an inch wide, placed parallel to

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the ends of the strap, the distance between them and from the border to be one-fourth of an inch.

For First Lieutenant same as Captain, omitting one bar from each end of strap.

For Second Lieutenant vacant field.

For Camp Chaplain and Camp Surgeon same as for Second Lieutenant.

SEC. 2. Whenever the officers of the Commandery in chief, or those of any of the several Grand Divisions shall so desire, and as members of their respective organizations shall, as a body so elect, they may in lieu of the foregoing described shoulder straps, wear a light skeleton shoulder strap, made of correct proportions, and in due form, containing the various insignas of actual rank, or in lieu of either, they may duly elect to wear, without any additions, the insignas of their actual rank attached to either the shoulder or collar of their uniform coat; providing, that in any event, the system is uniform and in all respects identical and the same throughout each branch of the Order availing themselves of the above defined latitude, and that under no circumstances shall any officer be allowed to assume and continue the duties of any position of honor and responsibility in the Order, unless he shall show his right to the office, by wearing the insigna of his actual rank. A failure to do this, after a reasonable time to equip himself, shall be deemed ample grounds to question his authority, or to respect and obey him as his office would properly demand.

SEC. 3. The officers of the several Divisions of the Order shall also be allowed to avail themselves of the latitude granted in the above Section, as to the mode of wearing the various

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insignia of actual rank and office in the Order; providing, that the system throughout each Division, including and extending to each Camp in the Division shall be identical and the same. The wearing of any insignia of actual rank and office, attached to breast of coat, is in all cases strictly prohibited.

SEC. 4. The rank of the non-commissioned staff of the Order shall be marked by chevrons on both sleeves of coat, above the elbow. For the non-commissioned staff of Camps, the chevrons shall be made of blue silk or blue silk embroidery, same shade as the National color. For the non-commissioned staff of Divisions, of black silk or black silk embroidery. For the non-commissioned staff of Grand Divisions and the Commandery in chief, of gold lace or gold embroidery. All chevrons shall be one-half of an inch wide, points down, and as follows:

For Sergeant Major three bars and an arc.

For Quartermaster Sergeant three bars and a ~~arc~~

For Color Sergeant three bars and two crossed ~~bars~~

For Ordnance Sergeant three bars and a star.

For Orderly Sergeant three bars and a lozenge.

For all other Sergeants three bars.

For Principal Musician three bars and a bugle.

For Corporals two bars.

SEC. 5. In lieu of the foregoing described chevrons, the Commander in chief and the Commanders of the several Grand Divisions, may, with the advice and consent of their respective Councils, allow a miniature chevron, of the prescribed colors and materials, to be worn—the same to be so arranged as to be neatly

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and conveniently attached to and removed from the sleeves of coat. In a like manner, the Commanders of Divisions, with the advice and consent of their Councils, may allow miniature chevrons to be worn, providing, that the same system shall be adopted, and extend to their whole command, including each Camp in the same.

ARTICLE XI.

*Insignia of Past and Brevet Rank.*

SEC. 1. The Past officers of the Order, and those holding Past or Brevet rank higher than their actual rank, shall wear conspicuously upon the left breast of coat, a miniature strap indicating the same. For all officers holding Past or Brevet rank derived from Camp service, this strap shall be of enamel or silk velvet, three-eighths of an inch wide by one and one-half inches long. The strap shall be bordered with one row of gold or gold embroidery, one-sixteenth and one-thirty-second of an inch wide; the outside measurement of the strap shall be one and eleven-sixteenths of an inch long by nine-sixteenths of an inch wide.

SEC. 2. For all officers holding Past or Brevet rank derived from service in Division organizations, the strap shall be bordered with two rows of gold or gold embroidery, each row to be one-sixteenth of an inch wide, leaving the outside measurements of same one and three-fourths of an inch long by five-eighths of an inch wide.

SEC. 3. For all officers holding Past or Brevet rank derived from service in the Commandery in chief or any Grand Division, the strap shall be of the same materials as those previously

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named, five-sixteenths of an inch wide by one and nine-sixteenths of an inch long, bordered by three rows of gold or gold embroidery, each row to be one-sixteenth of an inch wide, leaving the outside measurements of strap one and fifteen-sixteenths of an inch long by eleven-sixteenths of an inch wide.

SEC. 4. The insignia upon the straps shall be those named and defined under Section 1 of the previous Article.

SEC. 5. When the strap is made of velvet and gold embroidery, the insignia of rank shall also be embroidered thereon. The color of the strap for subordinate Camps shall be of blue, same shade as National color. That of all other branches of the Order black; providing, that the wearer may, at his option, assume the color of that arm of the service to which his parent or ancestor belonged.

ARTICLE XII.

*Badges, &c.*

SEC. 1. All members of the Order when in camp or parade, or on other duty, shall wear conspicuously on the left breast of coat the regulation badge of the Order, with the prescribed red, white and blue ribbon attached.

SEC. 2. All Camp officers, the officers of the several Divisions, Grand Divisions and the Commandery in chief, during the period for which they may hold office, and for no longer, shall wear attached to their regulation badge the prescribed ribbon of their respective bodies, omitting for the time being, the red, white and blue ribbon of general membership. All Past

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Grand Division Commanders, all Past Commanders in chief, and all officers holding Brevet rank above that of Colonel shall, during life, be entitled to wear attached to their regulation badge, a red corded silk ribbon, of the prescribed width, and of the same shade as the National color.

SEC. 3. As an additional mark of honor and high standing in the Order, all Past officers of the same holding Brevet rank above that of Captain, shall be entitled to wear conspicuously upon the left breast of coat, the prescribed regulation cross of the Order, and all Past officers holding Brevet rank above that of Colonel shall be entitled to wear the regulation star of the Order. The said cross and star, may, according to option, be made of gold or fine gold plate, properly ornamented with enamel.

SEC. 4. All Past Camp, Past Division and Past Grand Division Commanders, also, all Past Commanders in chief who shall have served for a full term, as is heretofore defined, or having been elected to fill a vacancy, shall have served to the end of the term, may, as a means of recognition, and with the prescribed ribbon of their respective branches attached, wear the established iron cross of the Order, but under no circumstances, shall this honor extend to any other officers or Past officers.

SEC. 5. All officers and members of the Order are expected and required to wear upon the centre of the top of their regulation cap in cloth, the prescribed design known as their Division badge or mark. They may, if they so desire, wear upon the centre of the same, a miniature representation in gold of the Corps

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badge of their father or ancestor, not exceeding one-half of an inch in size.

SEC. 6. As Divisions are permanently organized, the Commander in chief shall, with the advice and approval of the Council in chief, settle and determine upon the particular design, color of cloth, and exact size and shape of each Division cap, mark or badge, and he will publish the same in general orders, for the information of all concerned.

SEC. 7. As a ready means of recognition, when not on duty, all brothers are earnestly enjoined to constantly wear in coat or vest button hole, the prescribed red, white and blue silk bar button hole decoration of general membership. In lieu thereof, honorary members may wear, in the same manner and form, the same decoration made of red silk, same shade as the National color.

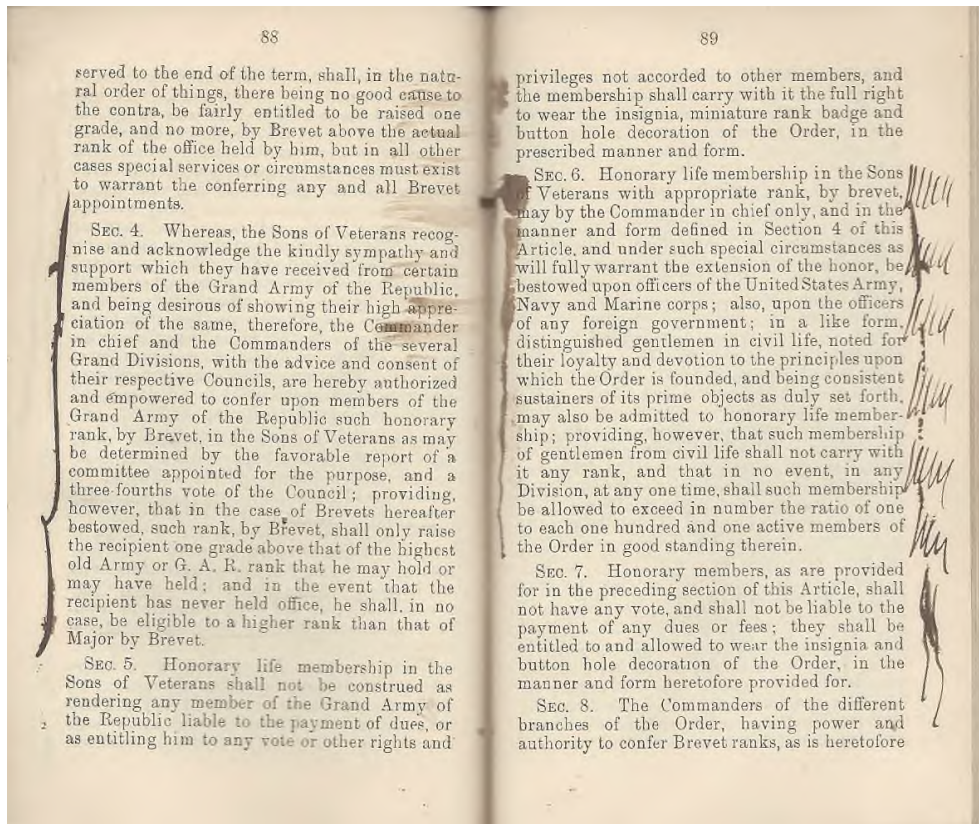
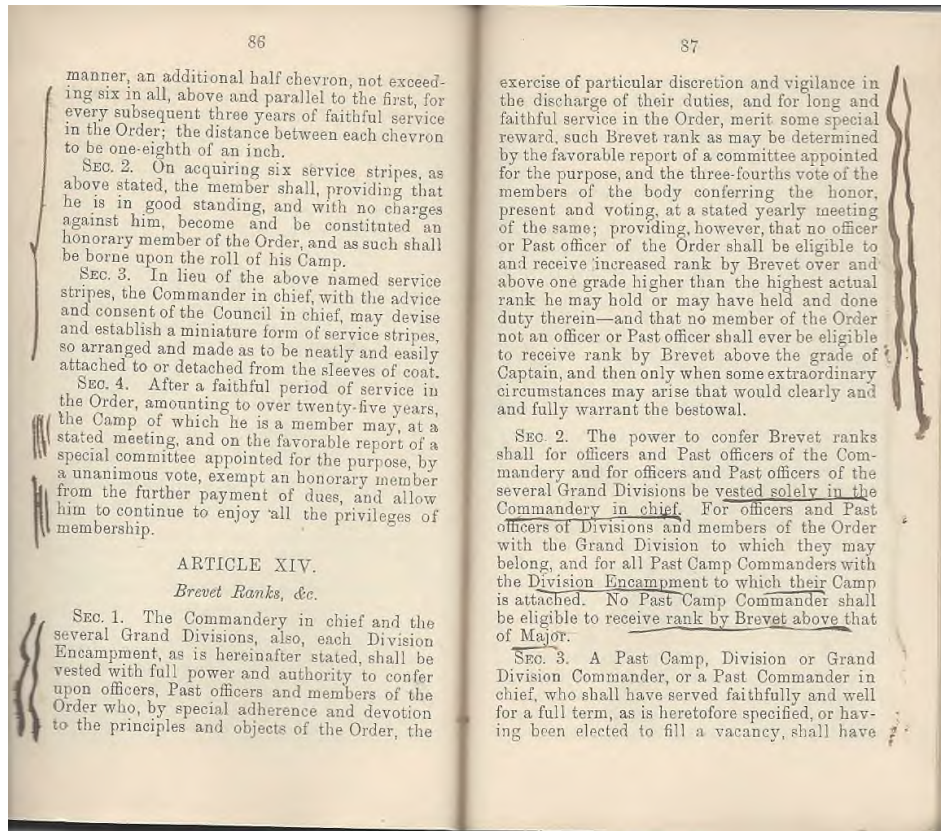
ARTICLE XIII.

*Service Stripes and Honorary Membership.*

SEC. 1. All members of the Order who have served faithfully for three years, may wear as a mark of distinction, a service stripe upon both sleeves of the coat, below the elbow, consisting of a diagonal half chevron of red silk, same shade as the National color, one-eighth and one-sixteenth of an inch wide, extending from seam to seam, the front or lower end commencing at the inner seam of the sleeve, two and one-half to three inches above the bottom of the sleeve, and terminating on the outer seam of the sleeve, at a point seven and one-half to nine inches above the lower end of sleeve; also, in a like

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defined and limited, shall issue under seal and in due form, suitable commissions or diplomas to all persons Breveted or made life members by their several organizations, and shall forward the same, securely packed, to their post office address.

## ARTICLE XV. *Flags and Colors.*

SEC. 1. Each duly constituted body of the Order shall have two silken flags of the full regulation size of 1861-1865, to wit; six feet six inches fly and six feet deep on the staff; also, two small colors of silk, as is hereinafter defined.

SEC. 2. Subordinate Camps—the first or National color of stars and stripes, with the name and number of the Camp, the name of the Order, and the location of the Camp, on the stripes, in an appropriate manner, in gold letters. The second or Camp color, of blue, with the Arms of the Order in the centre of flag, and, appropriately arranged around the same, the name and number of the Camp, the name of the Order and the location of Camp, in gold letters. The reverse of the Camp color shall contain the Arms of the State in which the Camp is located, and the same wording, in gold letters, as the obverse.

The fringe of the flags shall be of silk or gold bullion, and the cords and tassels of silk or silk and gold mixed. Both flags shall be provided with jointed staffs, gilt eagles, substantial belts and good oil cloth covers. The two small or Camp colors shall also be of blue, with silk or gold bullion fringe, and poles of convenient length, properly ornamented. In the centre of each color shall appear the number of the Camp; above the number, the name of the Camp, and

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below the number the name of the Order and the location of the Camp. These colors shall also be provided with suitable oil cloth covers.

SEC. 3. Division Encampments—the first or National color, of stars and stripes, with the words—Division (giving the full name of State) Sons of Veterans of the United States of America, on the stripes, in gold letters, in an appropriate manner. The second or Encampment color of red, same shade as the National color, with the Coat of Arms of the Order in the centre of the flag, the—Division (giving the full name of the State) above the centre piece, and the words, Sons of Veterans of the United States of America, below the same, all in gold letters. The reverse of the Encampment flag shall contain the Arms of the State of which the Division is composed, in the centre, with the same words in the same manner as the obverse. The fringe of the flags shall be of silk or gold bullion, and the cords and tassels of silk or silk and gold mixed. Both flags shall be provided with jointed staffs, gilt eagles, substantial belts and good oil cloth covers.

The two small or Encampment colors shall also be of red, same shade as the National color, with silk or gold bullion fringe, and staffs, of convenient length, properly ornamented. In the centre of each flag shall appear the crest and motto of the Order, above the centre piece, the words, —Division (giving the full name of State), and below the same the words, Sons of Veterans of the United States of America. Both flags shall be provided with suitable oil cloth covers.

SEC. 4. Grand Divisions—the first or National

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color of stars and stripes, with the words—Grand Division Sons of Veterans of the United States of America, on the stripes, in gold letters, in an appropriate manner.

The second or Grand Division color of white, with the Coat of Arms of the Order in the centre of flag, the words, —Grand Division Sons of Veterans, above the centre piece, and the words, of the United States of America, below the same, all in gold letters. The reverse of the Grand Division flag shall contain the Arms of the United States, with the same words in the same manner as the obverse. The fringe of the flags shall be of gold bullion, and the cords and tassels of gold. Both flags shall be provided with first class jointed staffs, fine gilt eagles, substantial belts and good oil cloth covers.

The two small or Grand Division colors shall also be of white, with gold bullion fringe, and staffs of convenient length, properly ornamented. In the centre of each flag shall appear the crest and motto of the Order; above the centre piece the words, —Grand Division Sons of Veterans, and the words, of the United States of America, below the same, all in gold letters. Both flags shall be provided with suitable oil cloth covers.

SEC. 5. Commandery in chief—the first or National color of stars and stripes, with the words, Commandery in Chief Sons of Veterans of the United States of America; on the stripes in an appropriate manner, in gold letters.

The second or Commandery color of red, white and blue; the red portion of the flag to be attached to the staff, and when so mounted each part to show in equal proportions. In the centre of the flag shall appear the Coat of Arms of the

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Order; above the same, in gold letters, the words, Commandery in chief Sons of Veterans; and below the Coat of Arms, the words, of the United States of America. The reverse of the flag shall contain the Coat of Arms of the United States in the centre, with the same words, in the same manner as the obverse. The fringe of the flags shall be of gold bullion, and the tassels and cords of gold. Both flags shall be provided with first class jointed staffs, fine gilt eagles, substantial belts and oil cloth covers.

The two small or Commandery colors shall also be of red, white and blue, with gold bullion fringe, and staffs of convenient length, properly ornamented. In the centre of each flag shall appear the crest and motto of the Order above the centre piece, the words, Commandery in chief Sons of Veterans, and below the same the words, of the United States of America. Both flags shall be provided with suitable oil cloth covers.

SEC. 6. When so desired, appropriate silk streamers may be attached to all of the full size (six and one-half, by six feet) flags of the Order, the same to represent an enlarged design of the respective ribbons worn by the officers of the different branches, attached to their regulation badge, and used during their period of service as officers.

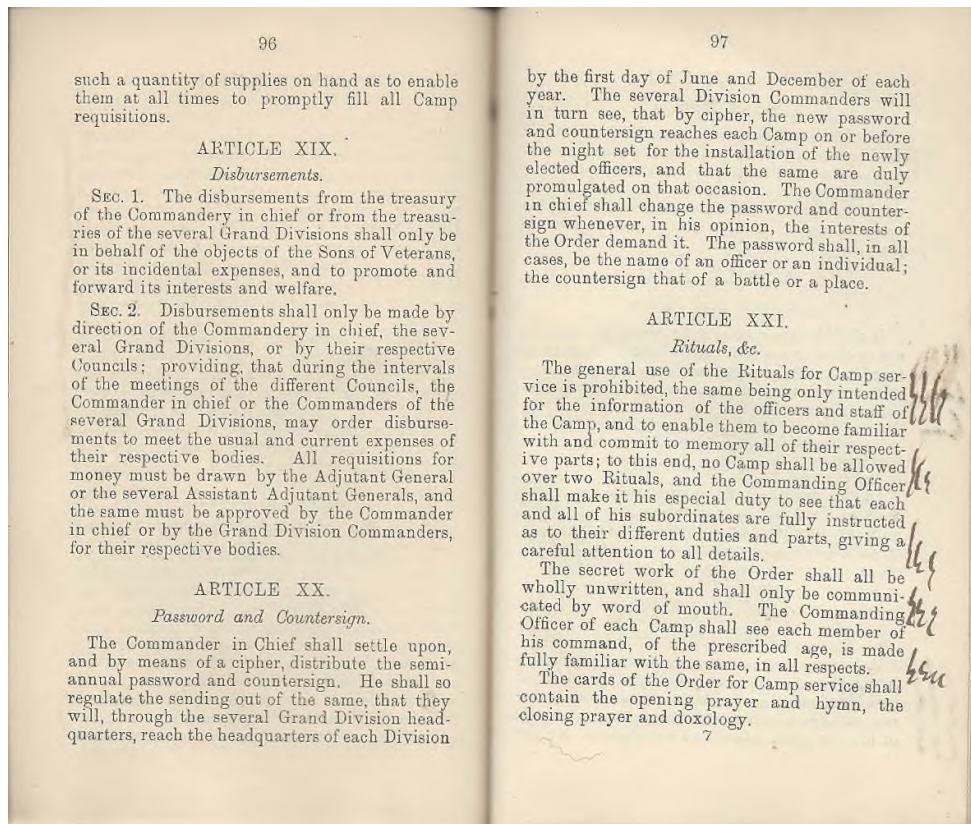
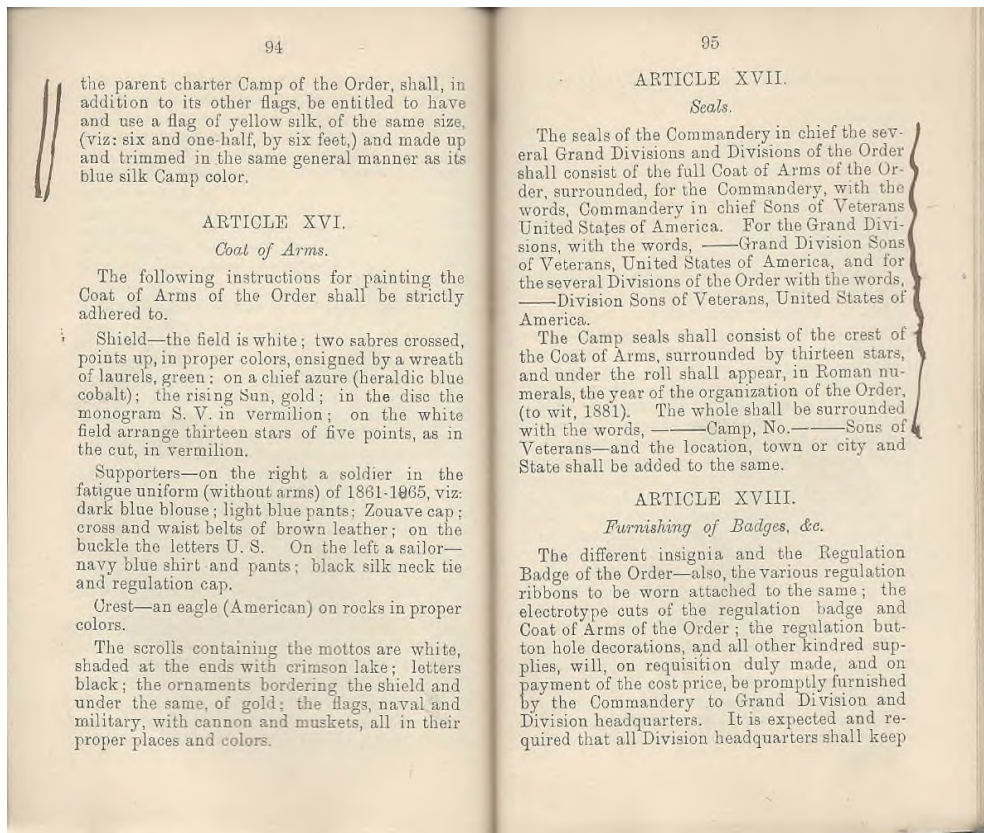
SEC. 7. The Commandery, Grand Division, Division, and Camp flags and colors shall be displayed at all stated or special meetings of their respective bodies, and on parade; according to established custom and usage.

SEC. 8. As a mark of distinction, Davis Camp, No. 1, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as



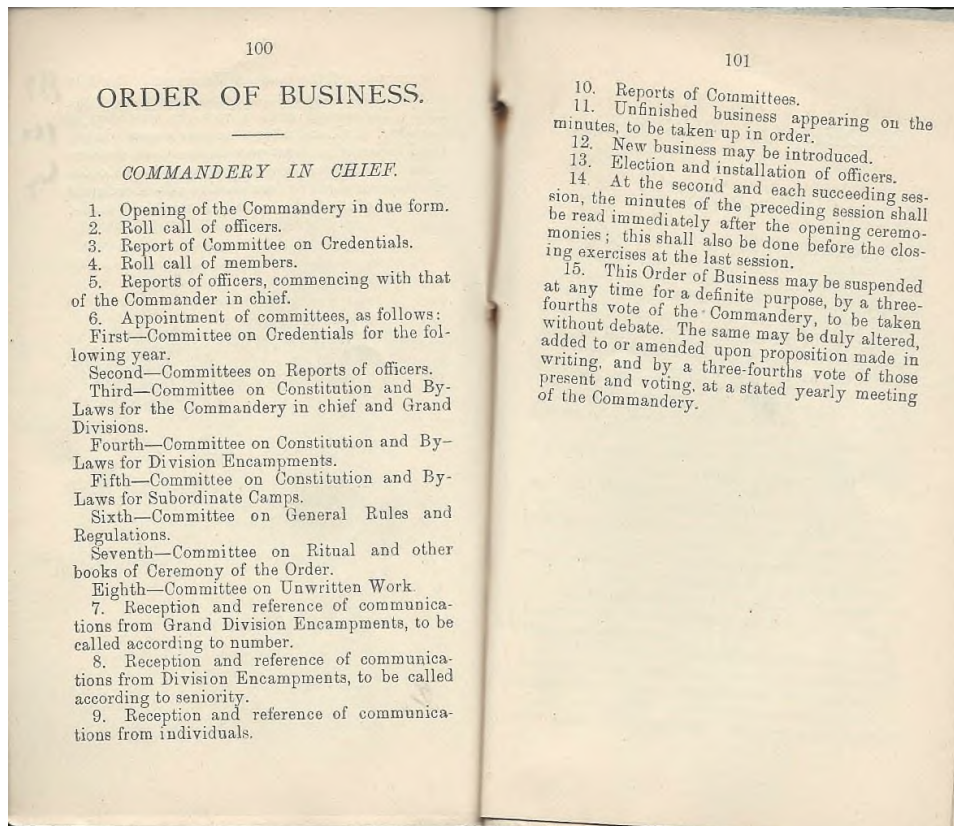
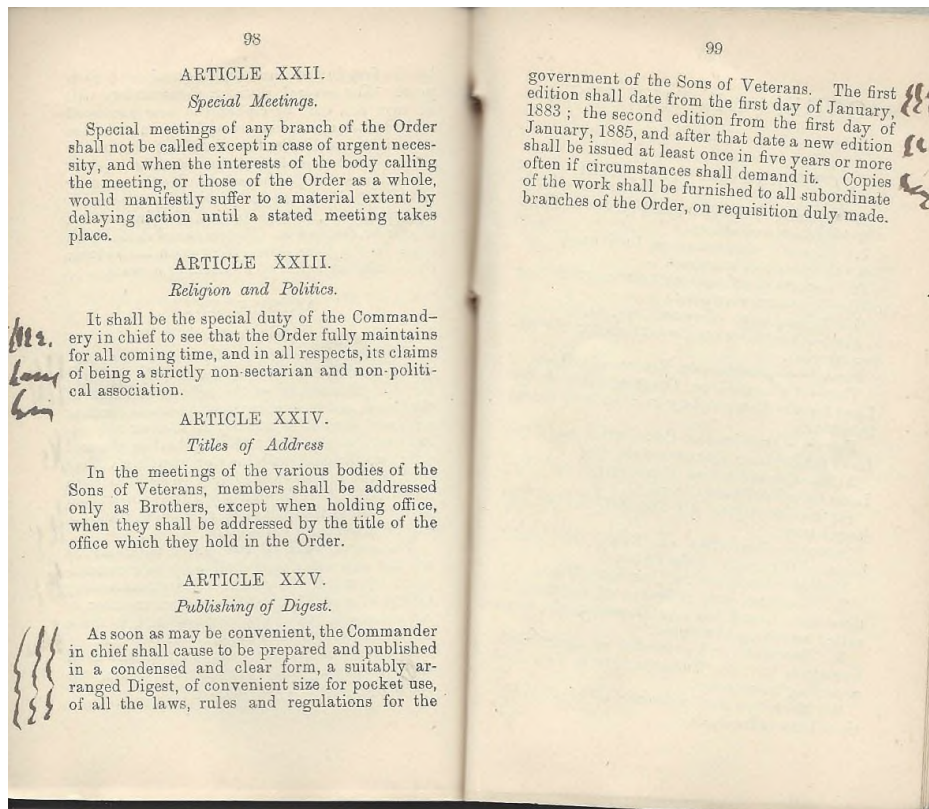
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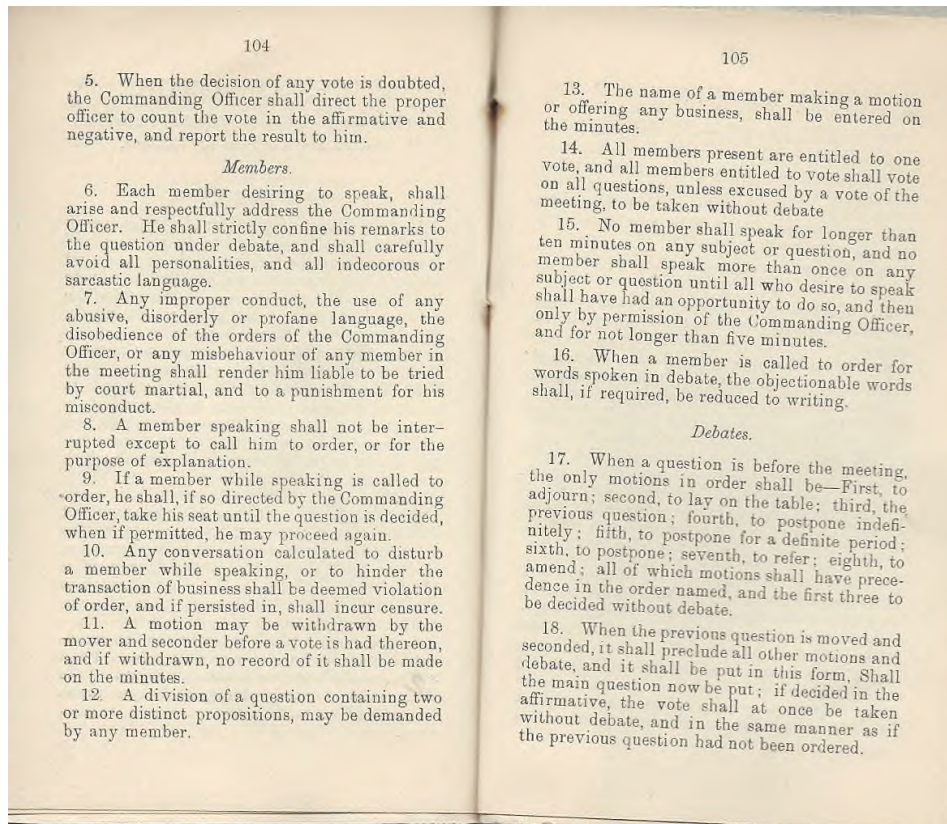
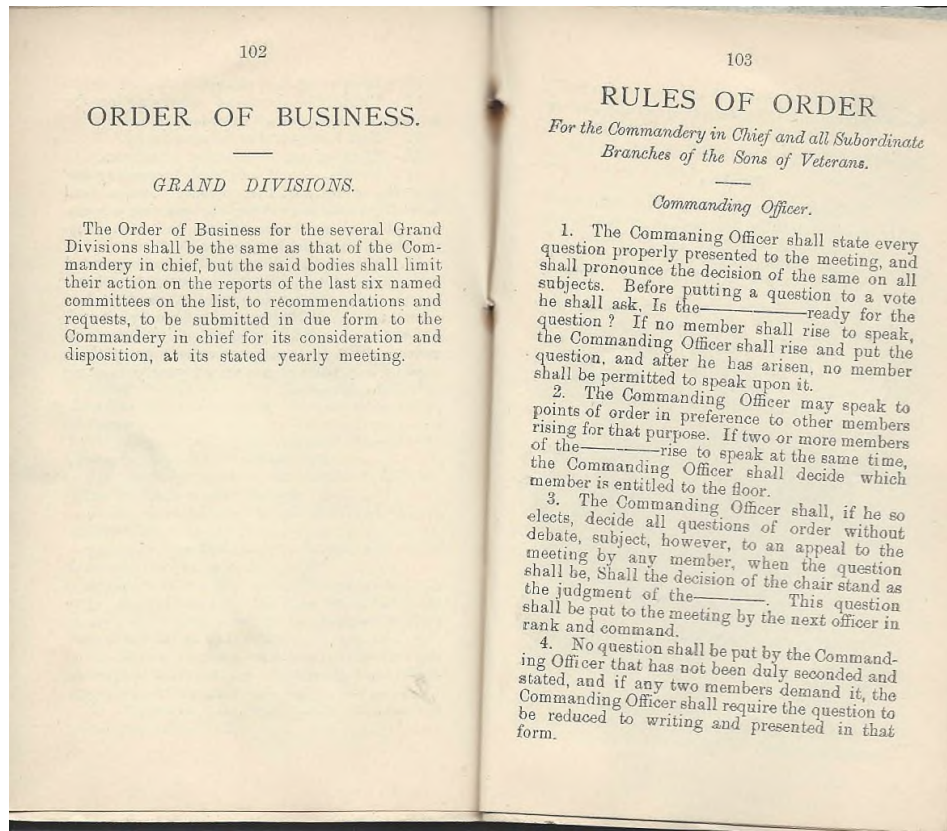
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<p style="text-align: center;">106</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Motions, &amp;c.</i></p> <p>19. A motion to adjourn is always in order, except—First, while a member is speaking; second, while a vote is being taken; third, when to adjourn was the last preceding motion. A motion to adjourn cannot be amended, but when made to adjourn to a given time or place, it is open to amendment and debate.</p> <p>20. But two amendments can be pending at one time.</p> <p>21. The reading of any paper relative to the subject under consideration, shall always be in order.</p> <p>22. When a question has been postponed indefinitely, it shall not again be acted upon at the same meeting.</p> <p>23. A motion to reconsider shall be in order at any time during the same session of any branch of the Order, but the same must be made by those voting in the majority, or those voting in the negative in the case of equal division. A motion made to reconsider once made and negatived, shall not be renewed at the same session, or during the same stated or special meeting.</p> <p>24. When a blank is to be filled, the question shall be taken first on the largest sum or number, or the longest or latest time proposed, or in the order of nomination, if to be filled in with the name of a person.</p> <p>25. The yeas and nays may be required and entered upon the minutes, at the call of any three members, and each member present shall be required to place his vote on record, unless excused in due form.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">107</p> <p>26. All reports and resolutions shall be submitted in writing, and when from a committee, they shall be signed by a majority of the same.</p> <p>27. When a majority report is followed by a report from the minority of the committee, the former shall lay upon the table until the latter is presented, after which, on motion, either may be considered.</p> <p>28. When a report has been read it shall be considered properly before the meeting without any motion to accept.</p> <p>29. When a report is submitted with a resolution attached, action shall be had on the resolution only, unless the report be considered improper or incomplete, when it may be re-committed. When no resolution accompanies the report, such report may be altered or amended. No report or resolution properly before the meeting shall be withdrawn without its permission, the same to be given or refused without debate.</p> <p>30. The questions not debatable are—First, to adjourn, when to adjourn simply; second, to lay on the table; third, for the previous question; fourth, to take up any particular item of business; fifth, to grant leave to speak; sixth, to grant leave to withdraw a report or resolution; seventh, to excuse from voting; eighth, questions of order, where no appeal has been taken.</p> <p>31. Cushing's Manual shall govern all cases of order not embodied in the foregoing rules, and it is hereby especially provided, that these Rules of Order shall not be altered, added to, or amended, except upon proposition submitted in writing, and by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, at a stated yearly meeting, of the Commandery in chief.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">ERRATA.</p> <p>Page 15, Article VIII, Section 1, the words "these By-Laws" should read "and By-Laws."</p> <p>Page 16, Section 2, the words "these By-Laws" should read "this Constitution."</p> <p>Page 16, Section 3, the word "Captain" should read "Chaplain."</p> <p>Page 25, Article XVIII, add the words "Fife and Drum Corps" to the head of same.</p> <p>Page 26, Article XIX, the words "rank of first Lieutenant" should read "rank Badge of First Lieutenant."</p> <p>Page 26, Article XX, add the words "Orderly and Quartermaster Sergeants" to the head of same.</p> <p>Page 32, Article II, Section 2, first line, the word "to" should read "of"</p> <p>Page 33, Article III, Section 2, second line, the words "meetings" should read "meeting."</p> <p>Page 43, Article III, Section 2, the word "January" should read "July."</p> <p>Page 46, Article VII, Section 1, add the letter "C" to first line.</p> <p>Page 47, Section 5, second line, the word "Commander" should be "Commandery."</p> <p>Page 55, Article IV, last three lines shall read, "and fifteen members by election, three members to be selected from each Grand Division."</p> <p>Page 63, Article 1, Section 3, the word "order" should read "orders."</p> <p>Page 71, Article 6, Section 4, the last two words of Section should read, "not guilty."</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">109</p> <h2 style="text-align: center;">INDEX.</h2> <table border="0" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td>PREAMBLE.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER I.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Article 1 Name.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 2 Principles.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 3 Objects.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 4 Organization.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 5 Eligibility to Membership.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">5</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">CHAPTER II.</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">CAMP CONSTITUTION.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Article 1 Formation.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 2 Admissions to Membership.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 3 Admissions of Brothers from other Camps, 11</td> <td style="text-align: right;">11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 4 Leaves of Absence, Transfers &amp; Discharges, 11</td> <td style="text-align: right;">11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 5 Meetings.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">13</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 6 Officers, &amp;c.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 7 Nomination and Election of Officers, &amp;c., 14</td> <td style="text-align: right;">14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 8 Duties of Officers and Staff.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 9 Camp Council.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">19</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 10 Books, Blanks, &amp;c.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">21</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 11 Rank and Command.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">21</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 12 Fines.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">21</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 13 Special Committee of Supervision.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">22</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 14 Visiting Committee.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 15 Grand Army of the Republic.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 16 Special Committees.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">24</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 17 Side Arms for Officers and Staff.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">24</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 18 Fife and Drum Corps.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 19 Camp Surgeon.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 20 Orderly and Quartermaster Sergeants.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 21 Religion and Politics.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 22 Applications for office.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 23 Secrecy.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 24 Relief Fund.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 25 By-Laws.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>" 26 Conclusion.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ORDER OF BUSINESS.....</td> <td style="text-align: right;">28</td> </tr> </table>	PREAMBLE.....	3	CHAPTER I.		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