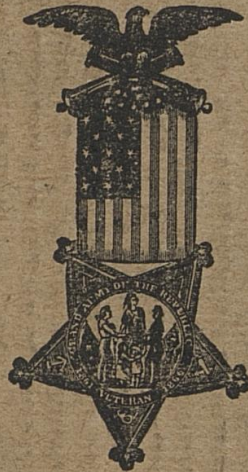


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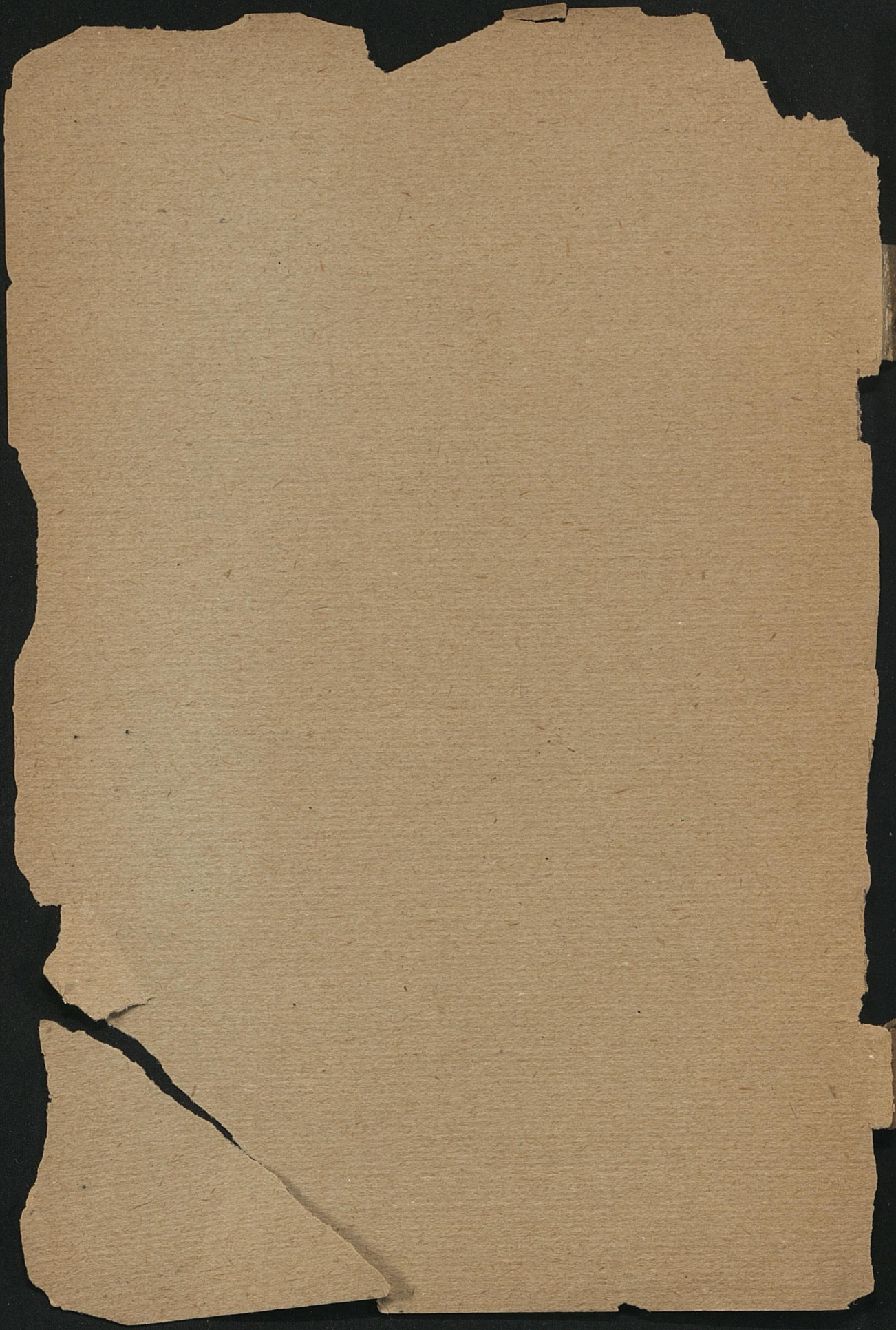
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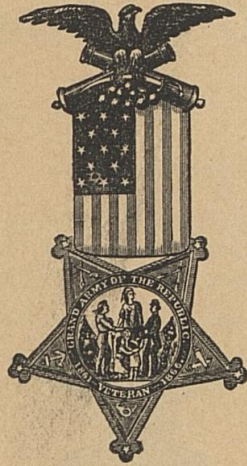
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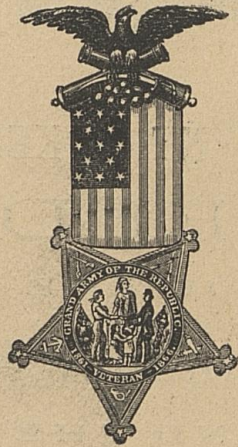
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The Provisional Department.

COVINGTON, KY., January 16, 1883.

The Provisional Department of Kentucky, Grand Army of Republic, opened in due form at 8 o'clock, Gen. Jas. C. Michie, Provisional Department Commander presiding.

Gen. Michie delivered an appropriate address as follows:

COMRADES: In presenting to you my report as Provisional Department Commander, I will say that it has been the desire of the present administration to push things towards procuring enough posts to justify a permanent Department as soon as possible.

I assumed command on September 1 with three posts in existence, viz.: Nelson Post, No. 1. of Newport; Jas. A. Garfield, No. 2, of Covington, and Gen. Jas. S. Jackson, No. 3, of Owensboro. To-day we number twelve posts, a gain of nine posts in the four and one-half months since we commenced and with numerous inquiries in regard to the establishment of new posts. Considering the short time we have labored this is very gratifying. Kentucky has been one of the last States to form a Department of the Grand Army of the Republic:

We have within this State nearly 50,000 ex-soldiers and sailors who wore the blue. None were braver or better disciplined, more hardy or more zealous in the great cause of national unity. I predict that the G. A. R. of Kentucky will take within its fold a majority of these old veterans and be among the first in numbers.

I can not too strongly urge the necessity of more promptness in your quarterly reports to headquarters. The labor of preparing these reports does not involve much time and trouble, and yet without them the headquarters are powerless to some extent. The same may be said with regard to the forwarding of the per capita tax. The limited funds provided for headquarters prevent the printing and circulating of proper blanks in quantities sufficient for the use of posts. The strictest economy possible has been used by this Department and the expense has been supported by advances made by comrades. To quadruple the posts and membership is something in which all of us should take a just and hearty pride. Let us as comrades come together to-day with renewed zeal for our order, and when we separate and go forth let us go with renewed determination to carry out as members of this organization those principles to which you have pledged fidelity. Such being our feeling and our intentions, we must remember that great ends must be accomplished, not by spasmodic and fitful exertions, but by steady, systematic and persevering movements. This

was the spirit that moved us during the fiery ordeal of the late war: which crowned our aims with success.

Let us conform strictly then to our rules and regulations: systematic as an army when marching to the field of battle: let us like good soldiers and sailors press forward in the great work of promoting and extending the cardinal virtues of our order, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. Let it not be said that we have any selfish motives or political schemes in view. The nation has already given us a different verdict. When the order went forth setting aside the 30th day of May as sacred to the memory of our fallen comrades in which we should manifest our appreciation of their services by strewing their graves with flowers throughout the length and breadth of the land, there was a universal response from all true and loyal hearts. Thousands, yea millions, bore to the graves the tribute of respect and decked the hallowed ground with garlands woven from nature's choicest jewels, and as they deposited them over the sacred remains bedewed them with tears of sorrow.

This ceremony you know is but an external expression of one of the great principles of our order and should the organization in coming years cease to exercise its functions, I trust that this ceremony may never cease. So long as it continues to be heartily observed we will have the assurance of the loyal hearts in the land that cling to the integrity of our Union and condemns treason to our government.

In closing my report I desire to thank most heartily one and all of the Department staff officers for the faithful labor they have done.

Comrade Fisher, the Inspector, has done his work in a hearty and thorough manner and many good results have been derived from it.

Comrad Hubbard, Judge Advocate General, by his enthusiasm and labors, has done a great good in working up the interest of the Grand Army in his section of the State.

Comrade Reynolds, A. Q. M. Gen. has cared for the funds of the Department and kept his accounts in such a shape as to prevent any of those discrepancies in accounts between posts and himself, which are liable to occur.

For the faithful and diligent work of Comrade Wm. G. Allen, A. A. G., I have still more to say. While each of us tries to do his duty in the position assigned, we know what it required of the A. A. G. in carrying out properly the manifold duties of his office. His work has been done with promptness that is characteristic of the comrade.

I am yours in F. C. and L., JAS. C. MICHIE,
Commander, Department of Kentucky, G. A. R.

The following documents were read:

A letter from National Headquarters, G. A. R., dated June 6, 1882, signed by Wm. M. Olin, A. G., appointing James C. Michie Provisional Department Commander of Kentucky, this being a part of General Order No. 17.

A letter from F. E. Brown, A. G., Paul Vandervoort, Commander-in-Chief, authorizing Provisional Commander Michie to call a convention on the 16th and 17th of January, 1883, for

the purpose of forming a permanent department, G. A. R., in Kentucky. The letter was dated Nov. 25, 1882.

The roll-call of officers and delegates showed the following present :

COMMANDER—JAS. C. MICHIE, Covington.
 SR. VICE COMMANDER—WM. H. HARTON, Newport.
 JR. VICE COMMANDER—GEO. W. NORTHUP, Louisville.
 ASST. A. G.—WM. G. ALLEN, Covington.
 ASST. Q. M. G.—O. A. REYNOLDS, Covington.
 INSPECTOR—JAS. H. FISHER, Owensboro.
 CHIEF-M. OFFICER—S. T. JACK, Covington.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Lee Hawthorne, Newport, T. E. Livezey and C. H. Baldwin, Covington.

Wm. Nelson, No. 1, Newport—Chas. Radamacher.

Jas. A. Garfield, No. 2, Covington—W. A. Newton and N. L. Young.

Gen. Jas. T. Jackson, No. 3 Owensboro—Wm. J. Littell, John A. Brown and Jas. D. Wilson.

Geo. H. Thomas, No. 6, Louisville—E. T. Lincoln.

J. Wess. Gosnell, No. 8, Leitchfield—D. O'Riley.

Croxtan, No. 9, Concord—S. G. Hillis and J. W. McElroy.

Abraham Lincoln, No. 10, Owensboro—O. G. K. Barrett.

Warner, No. 12, Louisville—Geo. W. Northup, No. 6.

A motion, made by Jr. Vice Commander Northup, provided for the appointment of a Committee on Credentials.

The Commander appointed the following committee : Northup, of Louisville; Hillis, of Concord, and Brown, of Owensboro.

The committee retired with the A. A. G. to the ante-room, and in a few minutes returned and reported as follows :

COVINGTON, KY. Jan. 16, 1883.

Jas. C. Michie, Commander, Department of Kentucky:

We, the committee on credentials, have performed the duty assigned us and beg leave to make the following report :

We find Posts Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 10 entitled to representation, having complied with the rules and regulations.

By the statement made by the Jr. Vice Commander we recommend that Post 12 be represented.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

GEO. W. NORTHUP, }
 S. G. WILLIS, } Com.
 JNO. A. BROWN, }

The following named were entitled to seats, Comrade Northup representing No. 12:

Wm. Nelson, No. 1, Newport—Chas. Radamacher.

Jas. A. Garfield, No. 2, Covington—W. A. Newton and N. L. Young.

Gen. Jas. S. Jackson, No. 3, Owensboro—Wm. J. Littell, John A. Brown and Jas. D. Wilson.

Geo. H. Thomas, No. 6, Louisville—E. T. Lincoln.

J. Wess Gosnell, No. 8, Leitchfield—D. O'Riley.

Croxtan, No. 9, Concord—S. G. Hillis and J. W. McElroy.

Abraham Lincoln, No. 10, Owensboro—O. G. K. Barrett.

Warner, No. 12, Louisville—Geo. W. Northup, of Geo. H. Thomas, No. 6.

Asst. Adj. Gen. Wm. G. Allen and Asst. Q. M. Gen. O. A. Reynolds made their reports.

The Asst. Adj. Gen., read the minutes of the meeting of the Council of Administration held in the forenoon, as follows:

COVINGTON, KY., Jan. 16, 1883.

Department Commander Jas. C. Michie called the Council of Administration to order at 11 o'clock. The roll-call of officers showed the following present:

Department Commander, Jas. C. Michie, Covington.

Assistant Adjutant General, Wm. G. Allen, Covington.

Assistant Quartermaster General, O. A. Reynolds, Covington.

Inspector Jas. H. Fisher, Owensboro.

Chief Mustering Officer, S. T. Jack, Covington.

Council of Administration—Lee Hawthorne, Newport; T. E. Livezey and C. H. Baldwin, Covington.

Comrades Fisher, Livezey and Hawthorne, the committee to examine the report of the A. Q. M. G. reported:

COVINGTON, KY., Jan. 16, 1883.

To the Council of Administration, Department of Kentucky.

Your committee appointed to examine the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General beg leave to respectfully report that they have performed the duty assigned them and find said report correct. Yours in F. C. and L.

J. M. FISHER,
T. E. LIVEZEY,
LEE HAWTHORNE, } Com.

On motion of Comrade Hillis, the Department officers were tendered a vote of thanks for the manner in which they had conducted the affairs of the Provisional Department of Kentucky. The motion was put by Comrade Harton, and passed unanimously.

On motion of Comrade Jack, the Department adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m., January 17th, when the Encampment would proceed to an election of officers and the formation of a permanent Department.

Ten a. m., January 17th. The Department of Kentucky, G. A. R. opened in due form, Jas. A. Michie presiding. The roll-call of officers and delegates showed the following present:

COMMANDER, JAS. A. MICHIE

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER, GEO. W. NORTHUP

A. A. GEN. WM. G. ALLEN.

A. Q. M. GEN., O. A. REYNOLDS.

INSPECTOR, JAS. A. FISHER.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR, WM. A. MCGINTY.

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER, S. T. JACK.

Council of Administration—L. R. Hawthorne, T. E. Livezey and C. H. Baldwin.

Wm. Nelson, No. 1—Chas. Radmacher, Phil. Keen and Louis Brandt.

Jas. A. Garfield, No. 2—E. A. M. Beyland, Dan Ashworth, W. A. Newton and G. M. Thrasher.

Gen. Jas. S. Jackson, No. 3—Wm. J. Littell, John A. Brown and Jas. D. Wilson.

A. G. Wildman, No. 5—Wm. A. McGinty.

Geo. H. Thomas, No. 6—Ed. T. Lincoln.

J. Wess Gosnell, No. 8—D. O'Riley.

Croxtan, No. 9—S. G. Hillis and J. W. McElroy.

Abraham Lincoln, No. 10—O. G. K. Barrett.

Warner, No. 12—Geo. W. Northup.

The election of officers and formation of the Department was next in order.

Geo. W. Northup, Jr. Vice Commander, moved that Jas. C. Michie be unanimously elected Commander and that the A. A. G. cast the ballot.

Comrades Hawthorne, of Newport, and Barrett, of Owensboro, were then appointed tellers.

The A. A. G. cast the ballot as directed.

Commander Michie made, at the urgent solicitation of the convention, appropriate remarks.

On motion of Comrade Hillis, W. H. Harton, of Newport, was unanimously elected Senior Vice Commander, the A. A. G. casting the ballot. Comrade Harton made fitting remarks.

Comrade W. H. Newton, of Covington, put Geo. W. Northup, of Louisville, in nomination for Junior Vice Commander. By unanimous consent the A. A. G. cast the ballot. Comrade Northup spoke feelingly of the honor conferred upon him.

Comrade Ashworth, of Covington, moved the unanimous election of W. A. McGinty as Medical Director. The A. A. G. cast the ballot. Appropriate remarks were made by Comrade McGinty.

Comrade C. H. Baldwin was unanimously elected, on the motion of Comrade Beyland, Chaplain, the A. A. G., as before, casting the ballot. Comrade Baldwin fittingly alluded to his duties.

Comrades Lee Hawthorne, of Newport, T. E. Livezey, of Covington, S. G. Hillis, of Concord, G. W. Robins, of Falmouth and C. B. Mitchell, of Owensboro, were unanimously elected Council of Administration, the A. A. G. casting the ballot.

Col. E. T. Lincoln, of Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 6, was elected delegate and D. O'Riley, of J. Wess Gosnell Post, No. 8, alternate to represent the Department of Kentucky at the National Encampment, G. A. R. to be held at Denver.

After spirited balloting Louisville was chosen as the next place of meeting for the Department of Kentucky.

Comrades Lincoln and Northup were appointed a committee to notify the Department officers of the time of meeting.

Upon motion of Comrade Newton, the convention directed the A. A. G. to send by telegraph greeting from the Department of Kentucky to the Department of Ohio, in convention at Youngstown.

The A. A. G. sent the following:

COVINGTON, KY., Jan. 17, 1883.

To the Department of Ohio, G. A. R., Youngstown, O.:

The Department of Kentucky, G. A. R. in convention assembled, sends hearty and fraternal greeting to you. God bless and strengthen our order. Yours in F. C. and L.,

JAS. C. MICHIE, Com.

Dep. of Ky., G. A. R.

Official,

WM. G. ALLEN, A. A. G.

A vote of thanks was tendered Rudolph Wurlitzer & Bro. for the invitation sent to the delegates from various parts of the State to attend a concert at Music Hall.

Comrades Lincoln, Harton and Northup were appointed a committee to investigate and propose a suitable uniform for the Department.

A committee, consisting of the Commanders of Posts, to procure arms was appointed.

The Department then adjourned until 3 p. m.

The officers and delegates assembled promptly at the appointed hour at Odd Fellows' Hall. The muster in service was given, that comrades from distant parts might get an idea of how it should be done, and that uniformity might prevail in the service throughout the State.

The Commander made the following appointments on his staff:

ASST. ADJ. GEN.—WM. G. ALLEN, Covington.

ASST. Q. M. GEN.—O. A. REYNOLDS, Covington.

INSPECTOR—JAS. H. FISHER, Owensboro.

JUDGE ADVOCATE—E. C. HUBBARD, Hartford.

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER—E. T. LINCOLN, Louisville.

The committee appointed on uniform for the Department reported the following:

To the Commander, officers and comrades, Department of Kentucky: Your committee appointed to select for the use of this Department a suitable uniform, beg leave to recommend the following:

First—Soft felt black hat and gold cord. Second—Navy blue double breasted coat, with G. A. R. buttons, vest and pants, for Department and Post officers: comrades, single-breasted flannel blouse and white vest; hat same as officers.

EDWARD T. LINCOLN.	} Com.
WM. H. HARTON,	
GEO. W. NORTHUP,	

Adopted.

The Commander appointed the following committees:

On Credentials—Northup, of Louisville, Wilson, of Owensboro, and O'Riley, of Leitchfield.

On By-laws and Ritual—Wm. H. Harton, of Newport; S. G. Hillis, of Concord, and T. E. Livezey, of Covington.

Comrade Hillis introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Department that the provisions of the U. S. Statute (Sec. — No. 1754) which has met with the approval of all good citizens and ex-soldiers, has to a very considerable extent been ignored by the appointing power in Kentucky; therefore,

Resolved, That those who served their country faithfully in time of war, should now be trusted to serve their country in time of peace.

On motion of Comrade Northup, of Louisville, it was ordered that this resolution be sent to officials both of the United States and the State of Kentucky

It was ordered that a requisition be drawn upon the Assist-

ant Quartermaster-General for twenty dollars to pay for the charter of the Permanent Department.

An invitation from the Ladies' Aid Society of Gen. Jas. S. Jackson Post to attend an entertainment to be given by them soon, was adopted, the A. A. G. to notify them of the acceptance.
Adjourned.

Assistant Adjutant General's Report.

DEPARTMENT OF KENTUCKY, G. A. R. Jan.16, 1883.

Gen. Jas. C. Michie, Provisional Department Commander of Kentucky:

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations and General Orders of the Department, I have the honor to report the business of this Provisional Department since September 1, 1882, when you assumed command. The strength of this Department September 1, 1882, as shown by reports, was as follows:

Number of Posts.....	2
Number of members in good standing.....	69

The strength of this Department October 1, 1882, as shown by reports, was as follow:

Number of Posts.....	5
Number of members in good standing.....	197
Number of members suspended.....	12
Number of Posts organized since Sept. 1.....	2
Number transferred from Department of Indiana.....	2
Number gained by transfer.....	68
Number gained by muster.....	60
Number last report.....	69
Total membership.....	197

The strength of this Department January 16th, as shown by reports, is as follows:

Number of members in good standing.....	414
Number of members suspended.....	14
Number of Posts.....	12
Number of Posts organized since October 1.....	6
Number of Post transferred since October 1.....	1

The first application to the Department for charter was from Hartford. On September 16, Jas. H. Fisher, of Gen. Jas. S. Jackson Post, of Owensboro, instituted Capt. Preston Morton Post, No. 4, at Hartford.

The second application for charter was from Falmouth. Department Commander Michie, with a number of comrades from Jas. A. Garfield Post, of Covington, instituted A. G. Wildman Post, No. 5, at Falmouth.

The third application for charter was from Louisville. Department Commander Michie instituted Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 6, at Louisville.

The fourth application for charter was from Greenville. On the 16th of October Col. Jas. H. Fisher, of Gen. J. S. Jackson Post, instituted Capt. E. H. Martin Post, No. 7, at Greenville.

The fifth application for charter was from Leitchfield. Col. E. C. Hubbard, Judge Advocate of the Department, instituted Capt. J. Wess Gosnell Post, No. 8, at Leitchfield.

The sixth application for charter was from Concord. Department Comander Michie instituted Croxton Post, No. 9, at Concord.

The seventh application for charter was from Owensboro. Col. Jas. H. Fisher, Inspector of the Department, instituted Abraham Lincoln Post, No. 10, at Owensboro.

The eighth application for charter was from Fordsville. Col. E. C. Hubbard, Judge Advocate General of the Department, instituted R. J. Whittingell Post, No. 11, at Fordsville.

This shows the result of less than five months work, and considering the fact that the Provisional Department was instituted September 1, 1882, it is a cause of great gratification on the part of its officers that they can turn over their charge with such good results.

At the time you assumed command of this Provisional Department you consulted with your staff officers and decided on a vigorous campaign and was promised the hearty support of the comrades you had honored with appointments on your executive staff.

On September 1, a circular explaining the object of the Grand Army was issued. Two thousand copies of this circular was printed and the most of them were distributed by mail. When the address of an honorable discharged soldier was obtained he was sent one of these circulars, and great good was accomplished by it. It has been shown the growth of this Department has been continuous, and increase of membership steady.

The amount of work which has been performed by the Department officers, all of whom have worked solely for the good of the order, is well known to you. It has been the desire of the officers of the Department to conduct the business for the welfare of the order, and while nothing has been left undone which was thought would be likely to result in good, it has still been kept within the bounds of reasonable expense. I desire to call the attention of officers of posts to the necessity of becoming familiar with the rules and regulations and form of reports. Reports should be forwarded promptly, within at least ten days after the close of the quarter.

In closing, I can not refrain from thanking all the officers of the Department with whom I have come in contact for the kindly and fraternal feeling always exhibited.

Yours in F. C. and L., WM. G. ALLEN,
A. A. G., Dept. of Ky.

Report of Assistant Quartermaster-General.

COVINGTON, KY., Jan. 16, 1883.

Jas. A. Michie, Commander:

I have the honor to submit herewith a report of receipts and disbursements of this Department since its organization in 1882.

The incumbent of this office would have gladly given more time to the work incident to the Department but has been prevented from doing so both by bad health and business engagements, and he earnestly hopes the Commander will receive in F. C. and L. my meager report.

PROVISSIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

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SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

We have received:—

150 Member's badges, cost 50 cts	\$75 00
22 Rank badges, cost 75 cts.....	16 50
Other supplies.....	25 25

Total\$116 75

We have issued:—

100 Member's badges, cost 75 cts... ..	\$75 00
10 Rank badges, cost 1.00.....	10 00
8 Member's badges, cost 50 cts... ..	4 00
(furnished Department of Ohio)	

Other supplies.....120 00

Total\$209 00

Net credit.....\$92 25

These figures, in view of the fact that we have forty-two (42) member's badges and twelve (12) rank badges on hand, indicate a fair profit in the supply account.

The assets of the Department are as follows:

42 Member's badges, cost 50 cts	\$21 00
12 Rank badges, cost 75 cts.....	9 00
Due from Q. M. Garfield Post	4 50
Due from Q. M. Morton Post.....	8 50
Due from Q. M. Gosnell Post	9 00
Balance cash on hand.....	4 68

Total\$56 68

The amounts due and paid on account of per capita tax by posts of this Department during the year is as follows:

Second quarter.....	\$ 6 90
Third quarter	15 10
Fourth quarter.....	29 90

Total\$51 90

Department expense account:

Paid for postage, A. A. G. and Dept. Com ..	\$ 8 93
Paid for traveling expense.....	69 25
Paid for expressage.....	4 35
Paid for advertising and printing.....	29 75
Paid for per capita tax third quarter.....	1 51
Paid for per capita tax fourth quarter	3 68

Total\$117 47

Recapitulation:

Profit in supply account.....	\$92 25
Balance of supplies for Q. M.....	30 00
Per capita tax	51 90

Total\$174 15

Loss in expense account.....\$117 47

Net assets..... 56 68

Total\$174 15

Considering we are yet in our infancy as a Department, we may take this as a very good showing for the first six months of our business.

We have increased our posts from two (2), with a membership of sixty-nine (69) to twelve posts with a membership of four hundred and fourteen (414), paying all expenses and yet coming out with a net gain of fifty-six dollars.

As regards the total expenditures of the Department it is impossible from the reports in my possession to make a complete table, but I trust that my successor in office will receive such full reports from the Quartermaster in this department that he will be able at your next meeting to tell you much more of the working and expenses of each post than I am able to tell.

As to the important matter of the Relief Fund, I can say next to nothing. From the reports herewith submitted it seems that about seventeen (17) dollars has been expended for that account in the last six months. If these reports show the fact in the matter and no worthy comrade nor his widow has been denied it indicates that those who risked life and health in the defense of the dear old flag and our undivided country are now sharing in the general prosperity of the country and enjoying the blessings of health.

With thanks to you all for your forbearances, and to you, comrade Michie, for the high honor and trust imposed in me, my report is submitted.

O. A. REYNOLDS,
A. Q. Gen., Dept. of Ky., G. A. R.

SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

LOUISVILLE, March 28, 1884.

The Encampment assembled, was called to order and opened in regular form by Commander Jas. C. Michie in the Post room of Geo. H. Thomas, at 9:30 a. m. There were present:

Armstrong, J. H.	Losey, F. C.
Alexander, Geo.	Livezey, T. E.
Adams, E.	Michie, J. C.
Ashworth, D.	Minton, M.
Alexander, W. H.	Newton, W. A.
Buckley, R. M.	Northup, G. W.
Buckner, Lewis.	Owens, Wm.
Bowman, Wm.	O'Riley, D.
Byers, G. W.	Patterson, J. A.
Bruner, T. S.	Pell, J. W.
Caldwell, R. B.	Reynolds, O. A.
Doyle, L. M.	Radamacher, C.
Eaton, J. D.	Sheehan, Thos.
Flannigan, Thos.	Studeville, Wm.
Faulkner, J. R.	Steinhaur, W. B.
Fisher, J. H.	Schneider, O.
Graham, V.	Woods, H. S.
Harton, Wm. H.	Wallace, Jas.
Hilpp, Ed.	Weber, Adam.
Keene, P. H.	Wilson, J. D.
Kerr, J. M.	
Kelly, R. M.	

W. H. Newton	O. D.
Thos. Flannigan.....	O. G.
O. A. Reynolds	Chaplain
Ed. Hilpp,.....	Surgeon.

The Council of Administration retired for consideration and to audit the accounts of the Department and attend to such other business as would be presented to it.

The following delegates answered to their names:

Post No. 1.....	Adam Weber.
Post No. 2.....	Eben Adams.
Post No. 3.....	{ Geo. W. Byers and Wm. Alexander.
Post No. 6.....	{ R. M. Kelly, J. W. Pell, M. Minton, R. B. Caldwell. Alternate— Lewis Buckner.
Post No. 8.....	{ W. L. Owens. Wm. Studeville, H. S. Woods, P. S. Bruner, J. H. Armstrong.
Post No. 12.....	Valentine Graham
Post No. 21.....	Ed Hilpp and L. M. Drye

There were present the following named Post Commanders:

Post No. 1.....	Philip Keene
Post No. 2.....	W. A. Newton
Post No. 3.....	J. H. Fisher
Post No. 6.....	F. C. Losey
Post No. 8.....	D. O'Riley
Post No. 10.....	Geo. Alexander
Post No. 21.....	Ed Hilpp

There were present the following named Past Post Commanders:

Post No. 1.....	Chas. Radamacher
Post No. 2.....	Daniel Ashworth

Of the Department officers there was present and several in their proper places: James C. Michie, Commander; Wm. H. Harton, S. V. Commander; G. W. Northup, J. V. Commander; Staff officers—J. D. Eaton, A. A. G.; O. A. Reynolds, A. Q. M. G.; J. H. Fisher, Inspector; D. O'Riley, C. M. O.

The Commander appointed the following named comrades to stations during the Encampment:

W. A. Newton.....	O. D.
O. A. Reynolds.....	Chaplain.
Ed. Hilpp.....	Surgeon,

The Commander appointed W. H. Alexander, F. C. Losey and Chas. Radamacher a Committee on Credentials:

Committee on Credentials reported that the names of delegates as called and reported present are regularly accredited by their respective posts as such.

Commander J. C. Michie read his annual address and submitted the same to the Encampment as follows:

COMRADES: It is with feelings of mingled pride and pleasure that I now submit to you my annual report of the progress of the affairs committed to my charge as Commander of this Department. I congratulate the Department on its great increase of posts and membership. The Department was organized one year ago last January as a permanent Department with twelve posts and 414 members. To-day we have twenty-three posts and 860 members.

Considering the short time that this Department has been organized—one year and six months—we ought to congratulate ourselves upon our continued and progressive prosperity. We should therefore enter upon the duties of the Encampment with a lively sense of gratitude to the Giver of all good and an earnest hope that our official action may be so directed by Divine wisdom that this meeting may mark the beginning of still greater achievements under our glorious banner of fraternity, charity and loyalty. The great principles of loyalty can be no better exemplified than by the proper observance of Memorial Day and the instilling into the minds of our children what it has cost this nation in human life and money to preserve our free institutions. I am glad to say that this day was more generally observed in this Department this last year than ever before.

The loyal people of our State are willing and anxious to pay this tribute of respect to the memory of our fallen comrades; but in many places we need a post of the G. A. R. to take the lead. Each year as we gather in our cemeteries and listen to

the roll-call of the dead, we hear new names which are added to the long list of our nation's heroes. During the past year we have lost a gallant comrade, a soldier of the 5th O. V. I., and a distinguished member of this Department. I alluded to our late Chaplain, Charles H. Baldwin, of Garfield Post No. 2. I would recommend that a blank be adopted on which shall be reported the names of deceased comrades, the number of their post and the regiment or ship to which they belonged, and that at each Encampment the A. A. G. shall read the record and that the same shall become a part of the records of the Department.

During the year two changes have occurred on the staff of the Department Commander. Comrade E. T. Lincoln, Chief Mustering Officer of the Department, was requested to resign for various reasons; and Comrade D. O'Riley was appointed to fill the position and has done his work well. He has been always willing when called upon to perform any labor that was assigned to him.

Comrade William G. Allen, A. A. G. finding that his business required more of his time than heretofore tendered his resignation as A. A. G. Comrade James D. Eaton was appointed to fill the vacancy, in which capacity he has rendered efficient service.

Charges having been preferred against Comrade T. E. Lincoln, of Post 6, a court martial was ordered to convene at Louisville. The court, after mature deliberation, found said comrade guilty of the charges and specifications and recommended his dishonorable discharge, which I approved.

During the month of February, 1884, many of the posts along the Ohio river and its tributaries were visited with floods, which caused an unusual amount of suffering and hardship. The posts having expended all of their funds and our comrades suffering, I issued a call for help from our sister Departments which had not been visited by the flood; and in response to that call I received from the National Encampment \$500; Department of New York, \$300; Department of New Hampshire, \$250; Department Headquarters of Massachusetts, \$25; Thos. Paxton, Post No. 126, Canonsburg, Pa., \$25; Post No. 41, Pittsburg, \$10; Department of Missouri, \$75—making a total of \$1,185, besides receiving several lots of clothing from the Store's Relief Corps of Portsmouth, N. H., and the Ladies Relief Corps of Post No. 5, of Philadelphia. The money received I have distributed where it was needed most and a small balance is still in my hands and I will make a detailed statement to the Department Encampment and to those who have been so generous to help us in our trials.

The noble and self-sacrificing work of Posts Nos. 1 and 2 of Newport and Covington, and that in the midst of their own distress in doing so much to alleviate the suffering of others, is worthy of all commendation.

I would suggest that this Encampment tender to these Departments, Posts and Relief Corps our heartfelt thanks for their generous and noble reponse in coming quickly to our relief, thus beautifully illustrating one of the principles of our order, "Charity."

In retiring from the position to which you saw fit to elect me one year ago, I desire to thank Comrade J. D. Eaton, Assistant Adjutant General, and Comrade O. A. Reynolds, Assistant Quartermaster General, and Comrades Hillis and O'Riley for their aid and assistance in performing my duty as Department Commander. I also extend to the Department staff my hearty acknowledgment of the courtesy displayed and service rendered by them. Their zeal has been untiring and their devotion to the principles of the order has resulted in great good, which I but faintly express in this report. To each comrade of the Department I tender my heartfelt thanks for their good will and earnest support, without which my labors would have been barren, and I earnestly appeal to each of you to give the new Department Commander the same hearty and cordial co-operation.

Let us press forward in the good work with the full determination of bringing into our ranks every worthy soldier and sailor who "wore the blue."

And now Comrades; I thank you sincerely from the depths of a grateful heart for the high honor conferred upon me and I pledge myself that as I lay down this emblem of authority and take my place in the ranks, my love for the order shall endure while life lasts and my zeal for the promotion of its future prosperity will be as ardent as in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES C. MICHIE,
Department Commander.

Assistant Adjutant General's Report.

J. D. Eaton, A. A. G., read the report belonging to that office as follows:

Headquarters, Department of Kentucky, Grand Army of the Republic, A. A. G. office, Covington, Ky., March 26, 1884.

To James C. Michie, Department Commander:

SIR AND COMRADE—In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending January 16, 1884.

This Department was organized January 16, 1883. There was at that time twelve post with an aggregate membership of 414 in good standing. The total number of posts in the Department January 16, 1884, in good standing is twenty-one, with a total membership of 860, making a net gain for the year of nine posts and 446 members, more than double the number we had one year ago.

The membership for the first quarter of the last year as shown by the Post Adjutant's reports was 520, for the second quarter, 686; for the third quarter, 728, and for the fourth quarter, 860.

Since the last quarterly report was made to National Headquarters two posts have been organized, with a membership of eighteen, making the total membership at this date of 896.

Since January 16, 1883, there have been eleven new posts organized, viz:

No.	Name.	Location.	Date.
13	Joe Huser,	Maysville,	July, 1883
14	McPherson,	Ashland,	Mar
15	Maj Robt Anderson,	Danville,	Mar
16	Jo Hooker.	Dayton,	April
17	Rousseau,	Vanceburg,	April
18	C B Tate,	Scottville,	Oct
19	Murray,	Cloverport,	Oct
30	C A Zachary,	Somerset,	Dec
21	Hays Watkins;	Lebanon,	Dec
22	Hambrick,	Barboursville,	Mar! 1884
23	John V Boyd	Crofton,	Mar

There is one post at Lexington (colored) working under the jurisdiction of the Department of Indiana that has applied for membership in this Department. The application was received by Department Commander Michie and the Post Adjutant was instructed to report the standing and strength of the post and notified that should it be received into this Department its number would be 24. No reply has yet been received.

The following is the number of members in good standing reported by the several posts for the quarter ending December 31, 1883:

No.	Name.	Location.	No. of Mem
1	Wm Nelson,	Newport,	69
2	James A Garfield,	Covington,	60
3	Gen Jams S Jackson,	Owensboro,	54
4	Capt Preston Morton,	Hartford,	28
5	A G Wildman,	Falmouth,	27
6	Geo H Thomas,	Louisville,	101
7	Capt C H Martin	Greenville,	13
8	J Wess Gosnell,	Leitchfield,	109
9	Croxton,	Concord,	58
10	A Lincoln,	Owensboro,	27
11	R J Whittingell,	Fordsville,	46
12	Warner,	Louisville,	18
13	Joe Heiser,	Maysville,	32
14	McPherson,	Ashland,	39
15	Maj Robt Anderson	Danville,	10
15	Joe Hooker,	Dayton,	29
17	Rousseau,	Vanceburg,	36
18	C B Tate,	Scottville,	34
19	Murray,	Cloverport,	30
20	C A Zachary,	Somerset,	25
21	Hays Watkins,	Lebanon,	15

The flattering growth of our order should encourage us to persevere in the good work and to keep up the interest which seems to prevail throughout the greater portion of the State, not only among the ex-soldiers and sailors but also among those who never wore the "army blue," multitudes of whom are ready to encourage and speak a good word for us.

There are many towns of considerable size in the State where a Grand Army Post should be established and maintained, and where one might be started with a little determined effort on our part; and in towns where the organization of a

exists, there are yet very many old soldiers who should join us and we certainly ought to gain as many members in this year as we did in the last.

I would urge upon the Department the importance of a thorough inspection of each post by some Department officer. I am aware that this involves some expense but think it would pay, and for the purpose of encouraging would respectfully suggest that the Department be divided into Inspection Districts and an Assistant Inspector appointed for each.

I wish to call the attention of post officers to the importance of thoroughly memorizing the work, of seeing that the books are kept correctly, and, in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, that the dues of members are collected promptly each quarter, and that the Adjutant and Quartermaster's reports and "per capita tax" dues are forwarded to Department Headquarters promptly at the end of each quarter. Some of the posts of this Department, I regret to say, have been considerably behind with their quarterly reports and Department dues.

Every member should, if possible, obtain and wear on proper occasions a badge, and posts should as far as practicable adopt the badge presentation as part of the ceremony of mustering in.

I would urge upon comrades the importance of a proper observance of Memorial Day, and would have them recommend to citizens of towns where no organization of the Grand Army exists, that they take the matter in hand, till there be not a grave of a Union soldier in all this Commonwealth that on the 30th of May of each year shall be without its floral offering.

Finally, comrades, let us show by our conduct that we are worthy of the encouragement shown us, and as we have made manifest our loyalty in years gone by, let us practice the principles of fraternity and charity towards one another and to all mankind.

In closing this report, Sir Commander, allow me to thank you for your courtesy and kind forbearance and also all the Department officers and members of your staff and officers of posts for their fraternal courtesy, and I would bespeak for my successor the same kind and generous treatment. In retiring from this position my only regret is that I have not been able to do more and better work for our beloved order. All of which is respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

JAMES D. EATON,
Assstant Adjutant General.

Report of the Assistant Quartermaster General.

O. A. Reynolds, A. Q. M. G., read his annual report and submitted it to the Encampment.

COVINGTON, March 28, 1884.

To J. C. Michie, Department Commander:

DEAR COMRADE—I have the honor to submit my report of the receipts and disbursement of this Department from the time of its organization as a Permanent Department, January 16, 1883, to March 28, 1884, and I regret that business and poor health have prevented me from giving the time to this position that I gladly would have given.

SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

Value of Department supplies received:

320 Member's badges	\$157 70
43 Rank badges	32 50
Other supplies	17 61
Total	\$207 81

We have received:

247 Membership badges	\$178 35
33 Rank badges	33 00
Other supplies	163 30
Total	\$374 65
Net profit for 1863	\$166 84
Net profit for 1882	56 78

These figures, in view of the fact that during the period covered by this report our Department has been visited by two of the most alarming floods known in modern times, indicate a fair profit in the supply account.

The assets of the Department are as follow:

73 Membership badges	\$29 20
10 Rank badges	9 00
Other supplies	3 00
Due from Post No. 4	19 70
“ “ 5	2 70
“ “ 7	5 20
“ “ 13	6 00
“ “ 15	2 00
“ “ 16	15 85
“ “ 18	5 15
Cash on hand	9 13
Total	\$106 93

PER CAPITA TAX.

The amount due and paid by posts of this Department during the year is as follows:

	Due	Paid
First quarter	\$56 80	\$52 70
Second quarter	63 20	56 40
Third quarter	72 30	64 60
Fourth quarter	76 60	65 20
Balance unpaid		30 00
Total	\$268 90	\$268 90

DEPARTMENT EXPENSE.

Paid for postage	\$ 26 90
“ for Traveling expenses (Com).....	146 25
“ for Traveling expenses (other officers)..	89 10
“ for Expressage	16 62
“ for Advertising and printing	82 90
“ for Per capita tax	27 39
“ for Sundry expenses	37 63
Total	\$426 79

RECAPITULATION.

Profit in supplies, 1883	\$166 84
Profit in supplies, 1882	56 78
Balance of supplies	41 20
Per capita tax	268 90
Total ..	\$533 72
Expense account	\$426 79
Assets	106 93
Total	\$533 72

As this is the first year of our existence as a Permanent Department and all traveling expenses, owing to the distance between the posts being very heavy, we feel that it is a pretty good showing to come out at the end of the year with over one hundred dollars surplus, besides paying the Department expenses for the first quarter of 1884 to date without using any of the income of this quarter.

As regards the total expenditures of the posts of the Department, it is impossible to make up a consolidated report from the figures in my possession, but I hope the Post Quartermasters in the coming year will furnish my successor with such full information that he will be able to give your next annual meeting a full account of all the money received and disbursed by its posts for all purposes.

With thanks to you all for your forbearance, and to you, Comrade Michie, for the high honor and trust imposed on me, my report is submitted in F. C. and L., O. A. REYNOLDS,
Assistant Quartermaster General.

A resolution, presented by Comrade R. M. Kelly, "that the Department earnestly urge the Quartermaster General, U. S. A., to have permanent stands or rostrums erected at the National Cemeteries of this State for use on Decoration Day," etc., was referred to a committee consisting of R. M. Kelly, F. C. Losey and Ed Hilpp, who reported favorably and the resolution was adopted, and the A. A. G. instructed to transmit a copy of the resolution, with a report of the action taken, to the Assistant Quartermaster General—Gen. Rufus Saxton, at Jeffersonville, Ind.

A resolution, presented by Comrade R. M. Kelly, that our Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States be requested to prepare and procure the passage of an act authorizing the Secretary of War to issue tents and other camp equipage for the re-union of ex-soldiers at London and Leitchfield, Ky., on the same terms provided in the act passed by the present House of Representatives, allowing such issue for use at the re-union of the ex-soldiers of the Northwest; and, that a duly authenticated copy of the resolution be forwarded to each of the Senators and Representatives from Kentucky in the present Congress, was adopted.

On motion of O. A. Reynolds, the A. A. G. was instructed to make out and present suitable resolutions on the death of our dearly beloved Chaplain and comrade, Charles H. Baldwin, to the bereaved widow and have a memorial page on these records.

A communication from Commander-in-Chief R. B. Beath, was read by Comrade Livezey, requesting the sense of this Department in relation to the time of holding the next National Encampment and suggesting July 23d. The opinion that the matter be left entirely to the Commander-in-Chief prevailed.

Commander James C. Michie read to the encampment the memorial of the "Committee on Pensions." of the Grand Army of the Republic in reference to pensions, bounties, etc., and on motion it was resolved that this Department urge our Senators and Representatives to adopt in proper bills the recommendations of said "Committee on Pensions."

A motion, by Comrade Ed Hilpp, that a portion of the afternoon session of the Department be devoted to an exemplification of the secret work of the order, was adopted.

A telegram was received at this point of the session from E. A. H. Beyland, Historian of the Department, extending formal greeting and expressing regret that he could not be present.

Adjourned at 12 m. until 2:30 p. m.

At 2:30 p. m. the Department was called to order by Commander James C. Michie and was organized at once for the exemplification of the secret work of the order.

The Commander appointed the following named to fill the stations:

J C Michie, Commander	D O'Riley, S V Commander
F C Losey, J V Commander	W A Newton, O D
W B Steinheim, O G	J D Eaton, Chaplain
O A Reynolds, Adjutant.	

The Adjutant detailed a guard consisting J A Patterson, O Schneider M Minton and Thomas Flannigan, and an escort consisting of Adam Weber and J. W. Pell for the substitute for the recruit.

After a very instructive representation of the secret work, the Encampment proceeded to the important work of electing officers for the ensuing year, with the following result:

Department Commander—William H Harton.
 Senior Vice Commander—G W Northup.
 Junior Vice Commander—D O'Riley.
 Chaplain—O A Reynolds.
 Medical Director—William Bowman.
 Historian—R M Kelly.
 Council of Administration—Ed Hilpp, Wm. H. Alexander, L R. Hawthorne T. Elwood Livezey and J. D. Wilson.
 Delegates to National Encampment—Daniel Ashworth and J. H. Fisher; Alternates—Wm Bowman and R M. Buckley.
 Danville was chosen as the place for the next Encampment of this Department.

After the installation of the officers-elect, the Encampment adjourned

THIRD ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic, Newport, Ky., March 27, 1885.

The third annual Encampment assembled in the Post Room of Wm. Nelson, No. 1, at 9:30 a. m. and was called to order by Commander Wm H. Harton. The following delegates were present:

Jas C Michie	Thomas Keenan	D O'Riley
William H Harton	E A H Beyland	Wm Bowman
Chas Radamacher	S T Jack	W Carpenter
L R Hawthorne	Geo Menninger	S J Parsons
T E Livezey	James Kerr	Jacob Miller
Geo A Metzler	A C Selby	R S Carr
D R P Dimmick	James D Forrester	O A Reynolds
J K Dimmick	J B Fishback	T Z Morrow
James Wallace	A Whedon	J M Beatty
D R Locke	R Brechheimer	R H Mahatha

The Committee on Credentials reported the delegates answering to their names as correct.

Commander William H. Harton read his annual address, which was received with cheers, and is as follows:

MY COMRADES: It is with pleasure I extend to you a hearty welcome to this our Third Annual Encampment.

We have assembled this day for the purpose of taking a look backward over the past year, that we may see what progress has been made, and to provide for the future welfare and prosperity of our beloved order, the members of which are united under the banner of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty—a fraternity born amidst the smoke and fire of battle; a charity which makes a comrade more than brother, and a loyalty which preserved us a nation. May we then endeavor at this Encampment to discharge faithfully the duty assigned.

One year ago I was chosen to assume command of this Department. A stranger to many of you, knowing little of what would or could be done in promoting the interests of the order, I have endeavored to administer the affairs of our order that prosperity would abide with us; the advancement of the organization being the aim desired.

The reports of the officers of my staff will be submitted, from which valuable information will be gathered, and I hope will receive the attention due.

We have abundant cause for congratulation, for during the year great progress has been made. Thirteen new posts have been mustered and our membership has increased from 860 to 1,325, a handsome gain.

Considerable prejudice exists against our organization, many believing that our order is political in its character. This has

retarded our growth in posts and members. It should be the aim of every comrade to try and disabuse the mind of every one and not postpone the good work until every worthy soldier and sailor shall be enrolled under our banner, for in "Union there is strength," and this not only for our own protection but for the benefit of our needy comrades.

This year six comrades of this Department have joined the Grand Army above. The years fly swiftly by and silently the Veteran passes from our view. The day will soon come when only a few will remain to gather around the earthly camp-fire waiting for the sound of the last roll-call, when they shall be called to assemble to join the main body of the army which has passed on before.

The Assistant Adjutant General has been faithful to the trust imposed and to him the Department of Kentucky owes much for the prosperity of the order. Ever at his post of duty ready, and willing to sacrifice time and means to help build up the organization, his labors were arduous and at times would seem to dishearten and dismay him in his undertaking, but to his credit and with the true character of a soldier he has faithfully performed his duties, and this without pay or expense to the Department.

The Assistant Quartermaster General having opened a complete set of books of this Department and having paid so much attention to his duties the Commander feels that he can not too highly compliment him for his self-sacrificing spirit and devotion to the cause of the Grand Army, and the Department of Kentucky may justly feel proud that such men are enlisted in the cause of building up the order in Kentucky. He made it a labor of love, refusing to be compensated for his services.

The Woman's Relief Corps, composed of loyal women, has gained a foothold in Kentucky, the first corps having been organized at Beattyville and Newport. I hope and trust that the representatives attending this Encampment will urge upon the members of their respective posts the importance of organizing corps in every city where a post of the Grand Army exists, that the widow and orphan of our deceased comrades may receive the aid and attention justly due them. The widow and orphan have become the wards of the comrades of the Grand Army. The noble, loyal and self-sacrificing women of the Woman's Relief Corps have taken upon themselves the task of attending to the wants and relief of these wards, and should we not aid and assist them in their noble work? Again I urge upon you, comrades, to assist them in their noble work.

The following resolution having been sent to the Department Commander by Capt. John V. Boyd, Post No. 23, for my indorsement, I cheerfully gave it, and to my successor I have left the appointment of the committee asked for, that he may have the matter in charge and aid and assist the comrades in their noble undertaking. The resolution is as follows:

Headquarters Capt. John V. Boyd Post, G. A. R., Crofton, Ky., February 7, 1885.

WHEREAS, It having come to the knowledge of the Post that the grave of General James S. Jackson, in Hopkinsville Cemetery, is without a monument or headstone to mark the last resting place of this brave and gallant soldier, and desiring, as

comrades and friends, that it shall not be so neglected; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Commander of this Post appoint three comrades as a committee, who shall lay the matter before the Commander of this Department and with his approval and indorsement as to the standing of this post, shall have prepared subscription blanks and send same to the different posts of this Department and to the friends of the deceased soldier, soliciting aid for the purpose of erecting a suitable monument to his memory; and that all funds for said purpose shall be paid to the Quartermaster of this post and said funds shall be subject to the order of a committee of five to be selected by the Commander of this Department for the purpose of erecting said monument, and for no other; that the same with the amount subscribed by each shall be kept by said Quartermaster; and should the amount not be sufficient for said purpose, then said Quartermaster shall refund the amount subscribed to the contributors.

C. A. Brasher, B. M. Powers and O. S. Parker were appointed as the committee.

M. B. BOWMAN,

Post Commander.

Headquarters Department of Kentucky, G. A. R., Newport, Ky., February 27, 1885.

DEAR COMRADES: You have my indorsement and I hope the noble work will proceed and a monument be erected that will do honor to the noble dead. You can use my name, and what I can do will certainly be done. Yours in F. C. and L.

WILLIAM H. HARTON,
Department Commander.

Assistant Adjutant General's Report.

Comrade Radmacher, Assistant Adjutant General, presented the following report:

Headquarters Department of Kentucky, G. A. R., Assistant Adjutant General's Office, Newport, March 27, 1885.

To William H. Harton, Department Commander:

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE—In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I herein submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1884.

When this Department was transferred to you, it had twenty-one posts with 860 members in good standing.

The following will show the number and name of posts and membership as reported for the last quarter of 1884:

No.	Name.	Location.	Mem.
1	Wm Nelson	Newport	96
2	James A Garfield	Covington	92
3	James S Jackson	Owensboro	41
4	Capt Preston Morton(a)	Hartford	28
5	A G Wildman(a)	Falmouth	27
6	George H Thomas	Louisville	134
7	C H Martin(b)	Greenville	13
8	J Wess Gosnell	Leitchfield	125
9	Croxton	Concord	43

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No.	Name.	Location.	Mem.
10	A Lincoln(a)	Owensboro	27
11	R. T Whitingell	Fordsville	48
12	Warner	Louisville	26
13	Joe Heiser	Maysville	61
14	McPherson	Ashland	46
15	Robt Anderson	Danville	14
16	Joe Hooker	Dayton	47
17	Rousseau	Vanceburg	34
18	C B Tate(a)	Scottville	34
19	Murray	Cloverport	24
20	C A Zachary	Somerset	74
21	Hays Watkins	Lebanon	44
22	Hambrick	Burtonsville	24
23	John V Boyd	Crofton	35
24	August Beyland(a)	Beattyville	15
25	G A Custer(a)	Elizabethtown	12
26	Henry Eifert	Greenup	14
27	Perry Campbell(a)	Caneyville	15
28	E P Mavity	Petersville	19
29	Ralph Armstead	Catlettsburg	31
30	W J Bryant	Flippin	17
31	Crittenden	Murray	24
32	John H Grider	Bowling Green	45
33	Albert G Bacon	Frankfort	26
34	George M Vandover	Tompkinsville	39
35	Jerott Henderson	Millerstown	28
36	Hegan	Wesleyville	19

Total 1441
 Less suspended (a) and disbanded (b) 171

Number remaining in good standing 1270

Before closing my report I wish to call the attention of Post Commanders, Quartermasters and Adjutants of Post to the importance of filing their quarterly reports at Headquarters on the first day of January, April July and October respectively, as required by the Rules and Regulations. If they will do this I know they will earn the lasting good will of my successor. While the failure to submit a report at the proper time is generally caused by the delay of an Adjutant or Quartermaster, the Department officer looks no further than the Post Commander, as it is his duty to file the report. It is impossible for Department officers to make reports to National Headquarters unless received from the officers of the posts. If reports are not promptly made the Department will be suspended.

I would also call the attention of the Mustering officers to fully instruct the officers of posts when mustering them, in the unwritten work of our order and to see that the Adjutant and Quartermaster understand their duties before taking leave of them. We have frequently had communications from comrades in this Department requesting us to send some one to re-instruct them, thereby incurring additional expense and labor.

Every comrade should if possible obtain and wear on proper occasions a badge, and posts should as far as practicable adopt the badge presentation as a part of the ceremony of muster-in.

I would also urge upon comrades the importance of a proper observance of Memorial Day, and to see that not a grave of a Union soldier in this Department be forgotten on the 30th day of May of each year.

To the Assistant Quartermaster General, Comrade L. R. Hawthorne, I am under many obligations for the valuable information and assistance he has rendered me. I shall miss his pleasant face so much that I expect to be found in the future looking for him two or three nights of every week. Allow me, sir, to again thank you for your kindness.

To you, Commander, I will say that I thank you kindly for the honor you did me in naming me as your Adjutant. For your uniform kindness and consideration at all times I again thank you. With every wish for the success of our Department and our successors in office, I am yours in F. C. and L.,

CHARLES RADAMACHER,
Assistant Adjutant General, Dept. of Ky.

Since making my report two posts have been re-instated, namely: August Beyland and Perry Campbell, increasing the number of comrades in good standing to thirteen hundred and twenty-five (1325).

CHAS. RADAMACHER,
A. A. Gen.

Assistant Quartermaster General's Report.

Comrade L. R. Hawthorne submitted the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General as follows:

NEWPORT, KY., March 27, 1885.

Chas. Radamachea, Asst. Adjt. Gen:

COMRADE—I have the honor to submit the following report of the business of this office during the year ending this date.

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To balauce received from J. C. Michie	\$ 9 13
“ Per capita tax per abstract A	346 35
“ Sale of supplies per abstract A	277 67
“ Charter fees per abstract A	195 00

Total to be accounted for	828 15
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By disbursement per abstract B	\$643 62
“ Balance	184 53

Total balance	828 15
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ASSETS.

Cash balance	\$184 53
Supplies on hand	77 60
Debits to posts	55 55
	317 68

LIABILITIES

Due John Taylor, Q. M. Gen	\$ 17 25
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Net assets	300 43
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In concluding this report I beg leave to state that great difficulty has been experienced in obtaining prompt reports

from some of the posts in this Department, from others no reports could be obtained, or if any, would be forwarded without the per capita tax. I am fairly of the opinion that it would be of great benefit to furnish all Mustering officers with a printed formula giving instructions to post Adjutants and Quartermasters as to the correct method of making up their reports, and the dates they must be forwarded to headquarters. The importance of this can not be over-estimated, for if not done the work of the Department officers will be unsatisfactory both to themselves and the National officers and a continual source of worry and trouble to all.

I am very respectfully yours, in F. C. and L.,

L. R. HAWTHORNE,
Assistant Quartermaster General.

The Chief Mustering officer, Comrade Samuel T. Jack, made a favorable report of his labors, showing how many posts had been mustered during the year, giving the dates of muster, number of comrades and by whom mustered, all of which was received with applause.

The Inspector General, R. B. Caldwell, sent in a splendid report of the posts he had heard from, but said it was a shame and a disgrace to have only fifteen posts out of thirty-six to make reports. He hoped that his successor would hear from the Post Inspectors more promptly.

The following report was presented by the Council of Administration:

NEWPORT, KY., March 27, 1885.

To the Department Encampment, Department of Kentucky, Grand Army of the Republic:

We certify that we have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Assistant Quartermaster General of this Department and have found the books to be well kept and the accounts correct in every particular.

We this day received from Jame C. Michie, the Post Department Commander, a report of his receipts and disbursements of money contributed for the relief of the flood sufferers in the spring of 1884. We have examined his account and find the statement of receipts and expenditures to be correct as reported. We also find that there is a balance due from Comrade Michie on account of this fund, for which he incloses his check for \$353.49.

The Council of Administration recommends that the report of Comrade Michie be printed, and that the balance remaining from this fund, namely, \$353.49, be turned over to the present Department Commander, with instructions to refund the same pro-rata among the organizations which contributed to the same, and that a copy of the report be furnished each contributor. Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. METZEL,
T. E. LIVIZEY,
Council of Administration.

On motion of Comrade Hawthorn the above report was adopted.

The Commander then appointed the following committee to report on the reports of the officers of this Department: D. R. P. Dimmick, T. E. Livezey, P. H. Keen, J. B. Fishback and O. A. Reynolds.

The Encampment then adjourned for lunch to re-assemble at 1:30 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After partaking of an excellent lunch prepared by the Department at Odd Fellows Hall, the Encampment was called to order by Commander William H. Harton at 2 o'clock p. m.

Comrade Dimmick read the following:

Your committee to whom was referred the reports of the various officers of this Department, recommend that the reports and recommendations therein be approved and concurred in; that the special communications from Comrade H. C. Vaughn, Mulberry Grove, Kansas, in reference to a re-union of Kentucky soldiers, together with the application for the establishment of a new post at Madisonville, Ky., be referred to the incoming administration.

D. R. P. DIMMICK,	} Committee.
J. B. FISHBACK,	
T. E. LIVEZEY,	
O. A. REYNOLDS,	
P. H. KEENE,	

On motion the above report was adopted.

On motion of a comrade the Commander was instructed to issue an order urging all post commanders of this Department to establish, foster and encourage the Woman's Relief Corps, under the National charter, throughout this Department.

The Encampment then went into an election of officers for the ensuing year, with the following result:

COMMANDER—GEORGE W. NORTHUP.
 SENIOR VICE COMMANDER—D. O'RILEY.
 JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER—O. A. REYNOLDS.
 MEDICAL DIRECTOR—F. A. DAVIS.
 HISTORIAN—R. M. KELLY.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

T. E. Livezey, Wm. Bowman, J. B. Fishback, J. Paul Jones, Geo. A. Metzler.

Delegates at Large—Wm. Bowman; P. R. Keene, alternate.

Delegates—Col. T. Z. Morrow; W. A. Newton, alternate.

On motion the Soldier's Friend, a paper issued by Comrade J. M. Beatty, of Beattyville, was declared the official organ of this Department. Comrades were urged to subscribe for the same.

Somerset was selected for the next annual Encampment, and a right royal time was promised by Col. T. Z. Morrow; of Zachary Post, Somerset.

The exemplification of the secret work of the order was then gone through with, to the satisfaction of every comrade present.

On motion of a comrade, the resolution of condolence and sympathy of this Encampment was wired to the family of our suffering comrade and hero, General Grant.

The duties of the Encampment having been performed, the Commander closed the same in due form.

FOURTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

LOUISVILLE, KY., April 8, 1886.

The Fourth annual Encampment, assembled in the rooms of Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 6, and was called to order by Commander Geo. W. Northup, at 11:15 a. m.

The following delegates were present:

Geo W Northup	Jos A Davis	L D Hall
T Z Morrow	H G Trimble	E A Richards
O. A. Reynolds	A L Brown	M Minton
S T Jack	H Hyde	John Foos
J P Hicks	Wm Billings	P S Bruner
Wm Ahl	T C Tinsley	Warfield Carpenter
James D Forrester	A J Huddleston	W F Scott
Geo Meinniger	Jas C Michie	L M Drye
Hilsson Bethal	Wm Bowman	F D Lewis
John H Wacker	F C Losey	B J Underwood
John Pearce	D O'Riley	W H Cundiff
J T Richey	Ed Hilpp	J R Clark
O Schneider	A Whedon	S D Van Pelt
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Department Commander's Report.

Comrades of the G. A. R., Department of Kentucky:

By Divine permission of the Grand Commander of the Universe we are permitted to assemble in this our fourth annual convention. About one year ago you did me the honor to elect me Department Commander and now I must give an account of my stewardship.

While we have moved along quietly the Department has held its own and grown somewhat. Six new posts have been added to the Department and petitions for three more are in the hands of the A. A. G. The orders from the Department have been few, owing to the fact that the Department was not strong financially and that the ruling idea has been economy in all things during the year. The Department Commander labored under considerable difficulty in making the staff appointments, as he was absent from the meeting at which he was elected and could not confer personally with the delegates as to making suitable appointments, therefore he was compelled to make the appointments by letter. Of course this took time, hence the delay in issuing the order announcing the staff.

In mustering the new posts the Commander adopted the plan of detailing a comrade living near the location of the new post, thus saving time and money.

The Department Commander here takes occasion to return his thanks to comrade C. A. Brasher, of John V. Boyd Post, No. 23, for mustering Post No. 37 at Madisonville, and Post No. 40, at Hopkinsville; Comrade Jacob Miller, of Post No. 13, for mustering Post No. 39 at Augusta, and Post 41, at Orange City; and Comrade O. A. Reynolds, of No. 2, for mustering No. 38 at London. For the dates of muster and membership, you are referred to the report of the A. A. G.

There is a great lack of knowledge among the posts of the Rules and Regulations governing the G. A. R. A large number of reports have been sent direct to the Department Commander. This of course is worry, as these reports should have been sent to the A. A. G., and this state of affairs is due to the fact that the mustering officer did not fully instruct in the duties as well as in the Ritual; and I recommend that the Inspector of the Department be authorized to visit the posts of the Department and instruct fully in the Rules and Regulations, Ritual and the proper way to make requisitions and reports.

In the Department there are twenty-one delinquent posts. They have been carried with the hope that they would pay their arrearages, but so far they have failed to do so. It is thought that if the suggestion of the Department Commander in reference to the Inspector is carried out that most of the posts will be re-instated.

The business of the Department is rapidly increasing and the duties of the A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. correspondingly increase, and I recommend that an appropriation of twenty-five (25) dollars be made for each of these officers. In closing, the Department Commander regrets that owing to the ill health of himself and family, he has been unable to devote as much time to the affairs of the Department as he would liked to have done, and many things have been left undone from this cause.

The Department Commander returns his thanks to the officers and members of the Department for many courtesies extended and is under special obligations to Comrade F. C. Losey, A. A. G., and Comrade A. Whedon, A. Q. M. G., for the assistance they have rendered him by the prompt discharge of their duties.

Respectfully submitted, GEO. W. NORTHUP,
Department Commander.

Assistant Adjutant General's Report.

Assistant Adjutant General's Office, }
LOUISVILLE, KY.. April 8, 1886. }

Geo. W. Northup, Department Commander:

SIR:—I have the honor of submitting herewith my report for the year ending December 31, 1885.

At the last Annual Encampment, held at Newport, March 27, 1885, the number of posts reported was	36
Less disbanded	1
Suspended	7
Total posts in good standing	28

Total membership in good standing same date.....1270

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There have been added to the Department during the year the following eight posts and members:

No	Name	Location	Mem.
37	Dave Good	Madisonville	32
38	Reynolds	Ludlow	27
39	Major Harris	Augusta	29
40	Charles L White	Hopkinsville	21
41	Henry Palmer	Orange City	20
42	J J Mann	Harrelldsville	20

Total number of members in good standing, December 31, 1885, as per quarterly report 1314
 Number reported December 31, 1884 1270
 Total gain in membership during the year 44

NAME AND NUMBER OF POSTS IN THE DEPARTMENT.

No	Name	Location	Mem	Remarks
1	Wm Nelson	Newport	109	
2	Jas A Garfield	Covington	108	
3	Jas S Jackson	Owensboro	34	Per capita 3, 4 qr unpaid
4	Preston Morton	Hartford		Suspended 1 qr 1884
5	A G Wildman	Falmouth		Suspended 1 qr 1884
6	Geo H Thomas	Louisville	138	
7	C H Martin	Greenville		Disbanded Dec 26, 1884
8	J Wess Gosnell	Leitchfield	125	
9	Croxton	Concord	15	
10	A Lincoln	Owensboro		Suspended 1 qr 1884
11	R T Whitingell	Fordsville	35	
12	Warner	Louisville	8	
13	Joe Heiser	Maysville	50	
14	McPherson	Ashland	39	Per capita 1, 2 & 3 qr paid
15	Robt Anderson	Danville	14	" 1, 2 & 3 qr unpaid
16	Joe Hooker	Dayton	32	" 1, 2 & 3 qr paid
17	Rousseau	Vanceburg	33	
18	C B Tate	Scottville		Suspended 1 qr 1884
19	Murray	Cloverport	18	
20	C A Zachary	Somerset	79	
21	Hayes Watkins	Lebanon	45	
22	Hamrick	Burtonsville	19	
23	Jno V Boyd	Crofton	39	
24	Aug Beyland	Beattyville	31	
25	G W Custer	Elizabethtown		Suspended 4 qr 1884
26	Henry Eifert	Greenup		" 1 qr 1885
27	Perry Campbell	Caseyville	26	
28	E P Mavity	Petersville	22	Per capita 1 qr paid
29	Ralph Armstead	Catlettsburg	34	
30	W J Bryant	Flippin	19	Per capita 1 & 2 qr paid
31	Crittenden	Marion		Suspended 1 qr 1885
32	Jno H Grider	Bowling Green		" 1 qr 1885
33	Albert G Bacon	Frankfort	26	
34	Geo M Vandover	Tompkinsville	41	
35	J Henderson	Millerstown	23	
36	Hegan	Wesleyville	18	Per capita 3 & 4 qr unpaid
37	Dave Good	Madisonville	32	Mustered July 15, 1885
38	Reynolds	Ludlow	27	" " 11, "
39	Major Harris	Augusta	29	" Oct 8, "
40	Chas L White	Hopkinsville	21	" Nov 10, "
	(Grange City)			
41	Henry Palmer	Hillsborough		" Nov 29, no report
Total			1314	

Total posts December 31, 1885	40
Disbanded	1
Suspended	8 9

Total number of posts, in good standing 31

Of the above thirty-one posts ten are in arrears for per capita tax, so that actually but twenty-one posts have contributed their full quota to the Department. It would be better to have a few good posts, well organized and efficient, than a long list of posts, not over one half of which exist except in name.

Much of the Assistant Adjutant General's time is wasted trying to get reports and endeavoring to keep Post Commanders up to their duty. If Post Commanders will not send in their reports, after a reasonable time, and upon the intimation of the Assistant Adjutant General that such reports are overdue, the post should be suspended, and then the comrades can ascertain if the Post Commander has been derelict in his duty. It is natural that the Department Commander should wish to make a good showing at the end of his term, and the Assistant Adjutant General is called upon to use extraordinary exertions to get in reports from paper posts in order that the Department shall not make any loss in posts if it can be avoided, and the time that this officer might devote to the interests of the order is taken up by correspondence with delinquent officials.

I desire to thank the officials of the Department for their courtesy and consideration.

Respectfully,
F. C. LOSEY,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

Assistant Quartermaster General's Report.

Office of Assistant Quartermaster General, }
LOUISVILLE, KY., April 8, 1886. }

F. C. Losey, Assistant Adjutant General:

COMRADE—I have the honor to submit the following report of the business of this office during the year ending this date:

RECEIPTS.

To balance received from L. R. Hawthorne, cash.....	\$184 53
“ Per capita tax	475 70
“ Sale of supplies	187 45
“ Charter fees	90 00

Total to be accounted for 937 68

DISBURSEMENTS.

By cash	\$487 00
“ Balance cash on hand	450 68

Total accounted for 937 68

ASSETS

Balance cash on hand	\$450 68
Supplies on hand per inventory.....	57 76
Amounts due from posts	55 55 563 99

LIABILITIES

Due John Taylor, Q. M. Gen.....	\$ 17 25
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Net assets..... \$546 74

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"TRIAL BALANCE."

Department of Kentucky, April 8, 1866.

Fol.	Accounts	Debit	Credit
1	Cash	\$450 68	
2	Stock		546 74
9	Capt Preston Morton, No 4.....	19 70	
10	A G Wildman, No 5	2 70	
12	C H Martin, No 7	5 20	
18	Joe Heiser, No 13.....	6 00	
20	Robt Anderson, No 15.....	2 00	
23	C B Tate, No 18	5 15	
26	Hayes Watkins, No 21	14 80	
60	Supply account	57 76	
63	Jno Taylor, Q M Gen		17 25
	Total	\$563 99	\$563 99

In concluding this report I would recommend that which my predecessor gave as his opinion concerning printed formulas and which is embodied in his final report.

Yours in F. C. and L., AMERICUS WHEDON,
Asst. Q. M. Gen.

The report of A. Q. M. G. was referred to the Council of Administration, which reported as follows:

To the Department Commander, Officers and Comrades:

We, the Council of Administration, beg leave to report that we have examined the abstract report of receipts and disbursements of A. Q. M. G. Americus Whedon, together with his books, etc., and find them neatly and correctly kept.

Yours in F. C. and L., J. B. FISHBACK,
WM. BOWMAN,
JAS. D. FORRESTER, pro tem.
WM. AHL, pro tem.
SAM T. JACK, pro tem.

J. Wess Gosnell Post, No. 8, asked permission to fill the delegation. The Department Commander decided it could not be done. The decision was sustained by vote of the Encampment.

Comrades Forrester, Ahl and Jack were made members of the Council of Administration to fill vacancies.

The motion to refer the reports of the officers of the Department to a committee of five was adopted.

The following committee was named: Comrades James C. Michie, W. J. Worthington, I. B. Nall, Thomas Z. Morrow and J. P. Hicks.

An invitation was extended by Post Commander, A Whedon, of George H Thomas, to dine at Knights of Honor Hall, and to attend a "Camp Fire" to be given at the same place at 7:30 p. m.

It was moved and carried that the Department accept the invitation and return the thanks of the Encampment to Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 6.

A motion to take recess until 2 p. m. was adopted and the Encampment took a recess for dinner at 12:50 p. m.

The Encampment was called to order at 2:30 p. m., Commander George W. Northup presiding. The committee on reports of officers reported as follows:

The committee to whom was referred the reports of the officers would respectfully report that they have considered the recommendation of the Department Commander in regard to the compensation of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General and hereby recommend that the salary of each of these officers be \$52 per annum, and this to apply to the officers who served the past year; that we approve of the suggestion of the Department Commander that the Inspector General be instructed to visit and instruct posts, and we would recommend that this also be made to apply to Assistant Inspectors.

We recommend that the Assistant Adjutant General's suggestions as to the suspension of posts whose officers fail to make reports be adopted.

We recommend that the suggestion of the Assistant Quartermaster General that printed instructions as to the manner of making reports be distributed by the Inspectors and mustering officers, be adopted

JAMES C. MICHIE,	} Com.
W. J. WORTHINTON,	
I. B. NALL,	
THOS. Z. MORROW,	
J. P. HICKS,	

On motion the report of the committee, and the following resolution, by Comrade T. Z. Morrow, were adopted:

Resolved, That the annual salary of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General be fixed at fifty-two (52) dollars each, and the Department Commander is now directed to draw his warrant on the Assistant Quartermaster General for the above amount for the officers named for the past year.

Communication from Comrade W. H. Hill, Fort Scott, Kansas, was read and referred to Comrade J. D. Forrester for reply.

Consent being given, Comrade Thomas Z. Morrow addressed the Department on the case of Logan Seyman, after which a motion by Junior Vice Commander Reynolds, that the Department appropriate \$100 for the defense of Seyman was withdrawn, and a motion to appoint a committee of five to draft suitable resolutions on the case of Comrade Seyman was adopted.

The committee was named as follows: Comrades Michie, Minton, Blanford, Hilpp and Hubbard.

It was moved and adopted that the Encampment proceed with the election of officers, and the following comrades were duly elected to serve for the ensuing year or until their successors were elected and installed:

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—T. Z. MORROW.
 SENIOR VICE COMMANDER—WM. BOWMAN.
 JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER—JAS. D. FORRESTER.
 MEDICAL DIRECTOR—H. S. WOODS.
 CHAPLAIN—S. D. VAN PELT.
 HISTORIAN—E. C. HUBBARD.
 Council of Administration—Chas. Blanford, I. B. Nall, L. M. Drye, O. A. Reynolds, D. O'Riley.

Delegates to the National Encampment—D. O'Riley and Sam T. Jack. Alternates—F. C. Losey and Ed Hilpp.

The officers-elect were then installed by Past Department Commander Jas. C. Michie and took their several stations.

The committee on Comrade Seyman's case, being called upon for report, requested further time, which was granted and the sum of \$100 was appropriated for his defense to be expended as deemed expedient by the committee.

A motion to take a vote on the place of the meeting of the Fifth Annual Encampment was carried and the following named places received votes as follows: Ludlow, 8; Hopkinsville, 11; Louisville, 25; Frankfort, 21.

Louisville having the greatest number of votes was selected as the place of meeting.

The secret work was then exemplified by Senior Vice Commander Bowman and Junior Vice Commander Forrester, assisted by Comrade Minton.

On motion a committee on transportation, consisting of three, was appointed to make arrangements for railroad rates for the National Encampment.

Committee—Comrades Geo. W. Northup, A. Whedon and F. C. Losey,

On motion the thanks of the Encampment was extended to Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 6, for the use of its hall, courtesies and the hospitalities received. Taken with a rising vote and carried unanimously.

The Encampment was closed in due form by Department Commander Thos. Z. Morrow at 6:10 p. m.

FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

LOUISVILLE, KY., April 13, 1887.

The Fifth Annual Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Kentucky, assembled at Liederkrantz Hall at 11 o'clock a. m. Department Commander, Thomas Z. Morrow, being absent, the Encampment was called to order by Senior Vice Commander, Wm. Bowman. The following committees were appointed:

Credentials—J. C. Michie, D. O'Riley and A. S. Cole.

Resolutions—S. G. Hillis, J. B. Fishback and M. C. Hutchins.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following delegates present from their respective posts:

E H Kilpatrick	W Smoot	H C Wheeler
John Bluchmer	John O Willis	W R York
L R Hawthorne	T J Stephenson	Chas Ashley
James Wallace	A S Cole	C H Billings
F A Davis	W H Carter	W H Perham
H C Mory	Edwin Forbes	B F Underwood
W O Ford	Jacob Miller	A H Anderson
B F Stephenson	Geo E Currie	W B Howard
E Dailey	M Bolser	C H Messinger
O A Reynolds	J W Stewart	M Noal
S T Jack	J T Castle	Benj Fields
Geo Brinkworth	W H Childers	Jas Allensworth
Phil Hager	John Silvers	Ben Letcher
J D Gasper	C B Love	John Carroll
C W Erdman	C H Barnes	D N N Sharp
C H Bliss	J B Clark	E S Rouse
M Minton	John J Trutbox	T P Caldwell
E A Richards	W H Sigman	W B Johnson
Thos Flannigan	John J Terry	S R Spiers
Otto Schneider	S J Erin	Benj Duincox
Hardin Stephenson	D H Lindsey	S W Mather
B P Pool	Humphrey Hyde	Jas P Castiner

The report of the Department Commander was then read by Assst. Adj. Gen. H. G. Trimble, which follows in these words:

Headquarters G. A. R., Dept. of Ky., April 13, 1887.

COMRADES: As delegates to the Fifth Annual Encampment of our grand and growing association I greet you with words of high cheer and encouragement. The future looks bright and hopeful for the steady progress and permanent success of the Grand Army in our noble mother Commonwealth. The year just closed on the whole, has been a successful one, and greater things may reasonably be expected in the year to come.

It is a matter of regret that by reason of the happening of events not foreseen when we accepted the places, myself and

the Adjutant General and Quartermaster General, were practically deprived of the opportunity of doing anything in the way of work in our several departments of labor for a period of at least three months after the beginning of our terms. Even with this drawback an immense amount of substantial and beneficial service has been rendered, building upon which the next Department officers should work grand results. The labor performed and the results achieved are fully set forth in the reports of the Adjutant General and Quartermaster General, which accompany this report and which will be submitted for your inspection.

The report of the Adjutant General shows that on Dec. 31, 1885, there were in good standing in this Department thirty-one posts, with a membership of 1,314. In this was included two posts with a membership of forty, which in point of fact were not actually mustered until after the last Encampment, and under the auspices of the present administration. This would make the correct report twenty-nine posts and a membership of 1,274. The report to December 31, 1886, shows the number of posts in good standing to be forty-three with a membership of 1,804, being a gain of fourteen posts and 530 members. Since that time eight additional posts have been mustered with a membership of 322, making the aggregate fifty-one posts and 2,126 members.

The exhibit must be gratifying to all who have the interest of the order at heart.

Our financial condition, shown by the report of the Quartermaster General, is none the less favorable.

There is now on hand the sum of \$679.96, as against \$381.18 at the date of the last Encampment.

The services of all my staff officers have been faithfully performed, but having them more immediately under my personal observation, I can speak in special commendation of the Adjutant General and Quartermaster General. The principal work, however, has devolved on the Adjutant General, who has given to the discharge of the duties of his position an intelligent, untiring and zealous attention that has rarely been equaled and never excelled in the history of the Department.

At our last meeting a compensation of \$52 each was allowed the comrades who had filled these places. In view of the increased labor and responsibilities of this year I recommend that a considerable larger remuneration be allowed comrades Trimble and Owens. "The laborer is worthy of his hire." To do this would be honorable to the Encampment and simple justice to them.

I assumed the right to draw my order on the Quartermaster General for the \$100 voted by the last Encampment to be used in aid of Seyman.

It will be expended for that purpose and proper receipts forwarded to the next Commander. The object is pre-eminently a proper one. A trial of the case was had at the last August term of the Rockcastle Circuit Court. It resulted in a split jury, the jurors standing ten for acquittal and two for manslaughter and the punishment two years, the lowest permitted

by law. Seyman immediately gave bond and is now in the enjoyment of his freedom.

Special attention is called to each and all the recommendations contained in the report of the Adjutant General. They meet my concurrence.

Since our last meeting our association and all true soldiers have suffered a national loss in the untimely death of the lion-hearted Logan. As a mark of respect to his memory I suggest that your place of meeting be suitably draped in mourning, that appropriate resolutions commemorative of his achievements be passed, and that copies of the same be forwarded to National Headquarters and all Department Headquarters and to his widow.

The objects, purposes and principles of the Grand Army have never been sufficiently and properly understood in this State. Ignorance on these points has caused many who should be friendly to be positively hostile. Designing and unscrupulous persons have persistently branded it as a partisan organization and many have been deterred by this wanton slander from assuming the name of "Comrade." If my successor shall succeed in removing this obstacle from our pathway he will merit and secure the reward which so good a work deserves. He can take no step more likely to insure a highly successful and prosperous administration year.

No Kentucky soldier who fought for the Union should now fail to unite himself with his late brothers in arms as a member of the Grand Army. Its watchwords—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty are the signals of everlasting union, and these descending from "Sire to son" must insure the perpetuity of free institutions on American soil. It is therefore highly necessary that you give your thoughtful attention to devising ways and means of spreading the aims and objects of our order in every nook and corner of the State.

The thanks of the Department Commander are hereby cordially tendered to all his official family for the uniform courtesy shown him in their social and business relations during the year, and they are commended as comrades worthy of the esteem and confidence of their fellow comrades.

And now, in laying down the baton so generously confided by you to my care, I return my warmest acknowledgements for the honor, and renewing my fealty to and belief in the future prosperity of our order, I fervently hope that its existence may be as incapable of death as are its principles.

Yours in F. C. and L., T. Z. MORROW,
Department Commander.

Assistant Adjutant General's Report.

Assistant Adjutant General's Office, }
SOMERSET, KY., April 13, 1887. }

General Thomas Z. Morrow, Department Commander:

GENERAL:—I have the honor to submit the following report of the Department for the year ending December 31, 1886, and up to and including April 12, 1887.

At the Fourth Annual Encampment held in the city of Louisville April 8, 1886, the number of posts reported in the Department was40
 Less disbanded.....1
 Less suspended.....8 9

Number of posts in good standing..... 31
 with a total membership in good standing Dec. 31, 1885.....1314

The following posts have been added by muster to the Department during the year 1886:

Name.	No.	Location.	Mem.
Henry Palmer	41	Grange City	32
J J Mann	42	Harrelsville	31
Wm Blackburn	43	Covington	39
Geo W Monroe	44	Frankfort	31
Lewellyn Bacon	45	Hopkinsville	36
Jno H Holloway Jr	46	Henderson	34
Curran Pope	47	Shelbyville	22
Bevil & Palmer	48	Springfield	10
Geo. P Jonett	49	Mt Eden	22
Nelson Boggs	50	Webbville	14
A C Wells,	51	Jamestown	46
H H Scoville	52	London	37

Total number of comrades in good standing December 31, 1886, as per quarterly reports1804
 Reported December 31, 1885.....1314

Gain during year 1886..... 490

Posts Nos. 41 and 42 were reported by my predecessor as mustered in the year 1885, with a total membership of forty, when in fact J. J. Mann Post, No. 42, was not mustered until May 8, 1886. Henry Palmer Post, No. 41, was not mustered until December 14, 1886. Therefore the forty members reported December 31, 1885, in Posts Nos. 41 and 42, should be deducted from 1314, as reported, and added to the 490, making a total gain for the year 1886 of 530 members.

The following abstract of the quarterly reports ending December 31, 1886, will show the strength of the several posts in the Department:

No.	Name.	Location	Mem.	Remarks.
1	Wm Nelson	Newport	116	
2	Jas A. Garfield	Covington	109	
3	Jas S Jackson	Owensboro	34	Per capita due 2 qr. '84
4	Preston Morton	Hartford		Suspended 1st qr. '84
5	A G Wildman	Falmouth		" " " "
6	Geo H Thomas	Louisville	24	
7	C H Martin	Greenville		Disbanded Dec. 26, '84
8	J Wess Gosnell	Leitchfield	120	
9	Croxton	Concord	32	
10	A Lincoln	Owensboro		Suspended 1st qr. '84
11	R J Whittingell	Fordsville	37	
12	Warner	Louisville	16	
13	Joe Heiser	Maysville	40	
14	McPherson	Ashland	24	
15	Robt Anderson	Danville	20	
16	Joe Hooker	Dayton	25	

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No.	Name.	Location	Mem.	Remarks.
17	Rousseau	Vanceburg	33	Suspended 1st qr. '84
18	C B Tate	Scottville		
19	Murray	Hardinsburg	20	
20	C A Zachary	Somerset	83	
21	Hayes Watkins	Lebanon	50	
22	Hamrick	Burtonsville	18	
23	John V Boyd	Crofton	48	
24	Aug Beyland	Beattyville	31	Suspended 4th qr. '84
25	G W Custer	Elizabethtown		
26	Henry Eifert	Greenup		" 1st qr. '85
27	Perry Campbell	Caneyville	34	
28	E P Mavity	Petersville	18	
29	Ralph Armistead	Catlettsburg	26	
30	W J Bryant	Flippin	19	Disbanded Dec. '86
31	Crittenden	Marion		
32	J H Grider	Bowling Green		Suspended 1st qr. '85
33	A G Bacon	Frankfort	24	
34	Geo M Vandover	Tompkinsville	41	
35	Jewett Henderson	Millerstown	18	
36	Hegan	Wesleyville	38	
37	Dave Good	Madisonville	32	
38	Reynolds	Ludlow	23	
39	Maj Harris	Augusta	32	
40	Chas L White	Hopkinsville	21	
41	Henry Palmer	Grange City	32	Mustered Dec. 14, '86
42	J J Mann	Harrelsdville	31	" May 8, '86
43	Wm Blackburn	Covington	39	" " 11, '86
44	Geo W Monroe	Frankfort	31	" " 9, '86
45	Lewellyn Bacon	Hopkinsville	36	" " 28, '86
46	J H Holloway Jr	Henderson	34	" Aug. 27, '86
47	Curran Pope	Shelbyville	22	" Nov. 16, '86
48	Bevil & Palmer	Springfield	10	" Dec. 4, '86
49	Geo P Jonett	Mt Eden	22	" " 11, '86
50	Nelson Boggs	Webbville	14	" " 18, '86
51	Asa C Wells	Jamestown	46	" " 20, '86
52	H H Scoville	London	31	" " 23, '86
Total			1804	

The following reports show number of posts Dec. 31, '86.52

Disbanded.....2

Suspended.....7—9

Reported in good standing.....43

The following posts have fail to pay their per capita tax and make their quarterly reports for twelve months past. I suggest that they be suspended for non-payment of their dues:

Jas. S. Jackson, No. 3; Robert Anderson No. 15; August Beyland, No. 24; W. J. Bryant, No. 30; Geo. M. Vandover, No. 34.

The following posts remain suspended, viz:

Preston H. Morton, No. 4; A. G. Wildman, No. 5; A. Lincoln, No. 10; C. B. Tate, No. 18; G. W. Custer, No. 25; Henry Eifert, No. 26; John H. Grider, No. 32.

The Assistant Adjutant General has labored earnestly with these posts during his term of office, with a view to their reinstatement, but without success, and would now suggest that these posts be stricken from the Department Roster, and be required to turn over to the Department their charters and other property in their possession belonging to said posts.

Since December 31, 1886, eight new posts have been mustered:

Name.	No.	Location.	Mem.
Levi Pennington	53	Tyner	64
Ethbert Dudley	54	Lexington	26
John A Logan	55	Junction City	12
Lincoln	56	Hodgensville	50
Geo W Gallup	57	Kilgore	26
U S Grant	58	Olive Hill	33
Grant	69	Paducah	47
M P Hodges	66	Munfordsville	64
Total.....			322

Add the aggregate number of these posts, 322, being charter members, to the number reported in good standing December 31, 1886, will give a total number of 2,126, which will be very materially increased by the reports of posts for the quarter ending March 31, 1887, as are shown by reports already received. The flattering growth and interest manifested in our organization the past year should encourage us to a redoubling of our efforts to extend the privileges and benefits of our beloved order to every comrade in this Department, thousands of whom are yet without the fold of the G. A. R.

In closing my report, I desire to return to you, Department Commander, my sincere thanks and profoundest gratitude for the honor you did me in naming me as your Assistant Adjutant General, and for the uniform kindness and courtesy shown me at all times by yourself and members of your official staff. In retiring from the office of Assistant Adjutant General of this Department my only regret is that I have not been able to do more efficient work for our beloved order. All of which is respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

H. G. TRIMBLE,
Assistant Adjutant General

LOUISVILLE, KY., April 13, 1887.

We have examined the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, of the Department, and find it correct.

D. O'RILEY, } Council
ION B. NALL, } of
O. A. REYNOLDS, } Administration.

On motion, the suggestion of the Assistant Adjutant General in his report, to suspend the delinquent posts for non-payment of dues, etc., was referred to the Department Commander. The report was then adopted.

Assistant Quartermaster General's Report.

Assistant Quartermaster General's Office, }
SOMERSET, KY., April 12, 1887. }

H. G. Trimble, Asst. Adj. Gen.:

COMRADE: I have the honor to submit the following report of the business of this office for the year ending March 31, 1887:

To cash received from A. Whedon, A. Q. M. Gen.....	\$381 18
To per capita tax to March 31, 1887.....	502 70
To sale of supplies	226 27
To charter fees.....	240 00
Total.....	1350 15

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DISBURSEMENTS.

By expense account	\$285 78
By amount appropriated Seyman case.....	100 00
By relief comrades	10 41
By Department per capita paid John Taylor.....	62 31
By amount paid for supplies to John Taylor Q. M. Gen....	211 69
By profit and loss.....	679 98

Total\$1350 15

Leaving balance cash of \$679.97 in my hands.

The following statement will show the assets and liabilities of the Department March 31, 1887:

ASSETS.

Balance cash on hand	\$679 97
Supplies.....	52 59
Amount due from posts year 1886.....	43 70

Total\$776 26

LIABILITIES

Due J J Mann Post, No. 42,.....	80
Net assets.....	\$775 46

The foregoing statement shows the financial condition of the Department, and before closing this, I desire to call your attention to the financial standing with the Department of the following posts, namely:

James S. Jackson, No. 3; Robert Anderson, No. 15; August Beyland, No. 24; W. J. Bryant, No. 30; Geo. M. Vandover, No. 34.

The Quartermasters of these posts have failed to make their quarterly reports and pay the per capita tax due the Department for the year 1886.

The following posts of this Department have contributed to the Grant Monumental fund:

Ralph Armistead, No. 29.....	\$5 10
R J Whittingell, No. 11.....	6 15

Which amounts were promptly forwarded to John Taylor, Quartermaster General.

In conclusion, I wish to return my thanks to the Department Commander, as well as to all the members of his staff for the courtesy and kindness shown me. All of which is respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

C. B. OWENS,
Asst. Q. M. Gen.

Supplemental Report from April 1, 1887. Since March 31, the following amounts of cash have been received:

Sale of supplies	\$29 40
Charter fees.....	30 00
Per capita tax	98 80

Balance cash March 31.....\$159 20

Total679 97

By expense account from March 31 to April 13..\$35 61

Amount allowed A. A. Gen for salary..... 78 00

Amount allowed A. Q. Gen. for salary..... 52 00 165 61

Balance on hand to date.....\$672 56

We have examined the accounts of the A. Q. M. Gen., Department of Kentucky, and find them correct.

D. O'RILEY,	} Council of Administration.
ION B. NALL,	
O. A. REYNOLDS,	

April 13, 1887.

The Committee on Arrangements filed its report and account of expense of this Encampment for printing, hall rent, etc., of \$22.40, which was allowed and ordered paid by the Council of Administration.

On motion, the Encampment adjourned to meet again at 2 o'clock p. m.

The Encampment assembled at 2 o'clock p. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Senior Vice Commander Wm. Bowman.

On motion, the following committee of three comrades was appointed, viz.: W. H. Harton, of Newport; J. C. Michie, of Covington, and S. G. Hillis, of Concord, to make arrangements for Department Headquarters at St. Louis at the National Encampment in September next, and an appropriation of \$150 be made for the use of said committee in buying a banner, badges, etc., which was carried unanimously.

It was moved and adopted that the Encampment proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year, and the following comrades were duly elected and installed in their respective offices:

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—WM. BOWMAN, TOLLSBORO.

S. V. C.—J. D. FORRESTER, LOUISVILLE.

J. V. C.—O. A. REYNOLDS, COVINGTON.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR—BEN. LETCHER, HENDERSON.

CHAPLAIN—W. H. CHILDERS, SOMERSET.

HISTORIAN—R. M. KELLY, LOUISVILLE.

The following comrades were elected as the Council of Administration for the ensuing year:

George E. Currie, Dayton; B. N. Sharpe, Shelbyville; J. Hensler, Louisville; M. C. Hutchins, Maysville; B. T. Nesbit, Lebanon.

The following comrades were appointed on the staff of the Department Commander and duly installed in their respective offices:

A. S. Cole, Asst. Adj. Gen., Fearis; S. G. Hillis, Asst. Q. M. Gen., Concord; D. O'Riley, Asst. Ins. Gen., Leitchfield; M. C. Hutchins, Judge Advocate Gen., Maysville; Edward Hilpp, Chief Mustering Officer, Lebanon; H. Hyde, S. A. De-Camp, Frankfort.

The following comrades were elected delegates and alternates to the National Encampment to be held in St. Louis in September next:

Delegates—S. T. Jack, M. Minton and S. G. Hillis. Alternates—J. M. Pickett, B. F. Stephenson and E. Hilpp.

The newly elected officers were all duly installed by Comrade J. C. Michie, Past Department Commander.

The Committee on Resolutions reported the following, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

To the Department of Kentucky, Grand Army of the Republic, at its Annual Meeting, April 13, 1887

COMRADES:—Your Committee on Resolutions submit the following as their report:

First—That the Department of Kentucky, Grand Army of the Republic, express its undying loyalty to our common country, and announces itself ready at all times to rally to the support of the nation whenever the liberties of the people are menaced from any quarter, whether from the money power, anarchists or other source; we are for freedom and security.

Second—That the reports in circulation that the Grand Army of the Republic is a political institution are malicious and false, at variance with the cardinal principles of our order "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty."

Third—Recognizing the fact that to the soldiers of the Union Army the nation owes its preservation, its stability and the opportunity of becoming the most prosperous in the world, it is therefore more an obligation it can never repay, and it is but right that Congress should enact a law granting pensions to all honorably discharged and disabled dependent Union soldiers and to all Union soldiers who were confined in Rebel prisons.

Fourth—That this Department does not approve of the President's veto of the Dependent Pension Bill, nor his statements in support of his view thereon, and denounce them as full of sophistry and not in accordance with facts; that this Department recognizes with pride the patriotism of the Representatives in Congress from this Commonwealth, Wolford, Wadsworth and Taulbee, who voted for the Dependent Pension Bill.

Fifth—That in the death of Comrade General John A. Logan, the Grand Army has lost its best, most loved member; the nation one its most illustrious statesmen and soldiers; the wife a true husband; his children a father whose career is one of the grandest in our country's history.

Sixth—Our Department officers for the year just ended have been faithful in the discharge of their respective duties and are entitled to our thanks for the large increase of membership since our last annual meeting.

We return the thanks of this Department to the members of George H. Thomas Post, No. 6, of Louisville, for the courteous manner in which they have met and entertained us.

S. G. HILLIS,
M. C. HUTCHINS, } Com.
J. B. FISHBACK, }

The Department Encampment was then invited by Post Commander, J. B. Fishback, to attend the camp fire and bean bake given by George H. Thomas Post, No. 6, at Liederkrantz Hall at 8 o'clock p. m.

The business of the Encampment being completed, the meeting was closed in due form by Department Commander, Wm. Bowman, at 5:30 p. m., April 13, 1887.

SIXTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

FIRST DAY.

MAYSVILLE, KY., April 17, 1888.

The Council of Administration met at the European Hotel at 9 o'clock April 17, 1888, with the following members present: Wm. Bowman, Department Commander; J. D. Forrester, Senior Vice Commander; O. A. Reynolds, Junior Vice Commander; A. S. Cole, Assistant Adjutant General; S. G. Hillis, Assistant Quartermaster General; M. C. Hutchins and Geo. E. Currie. Three of the council being absent, the Commander appointed A. Whedon and F. C. Livezey to act pro-tem. The council examined the books and vouchers of the Assistant Quartermaster General and found them correct. The account of the Department Commander was presented and allowed. It was also agreed that the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General be fixed at \$125 and the Assistant Quartermaster General at \$100. The council then adjourned sine die.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,
A. S. COLE, A. A. Gen.

The Encampment convened at the Washington Opera House, this city, in its sixth annual session at 11 o'clock a. m. and was opened in due form by the Department Commander, Wm. Bowman, and with prayer by the Department Chaplain, William H. Childers.

The Department Commander appointed the following committee on credentials: A. S. Cole, Asst. Adj. Gen.; T. M. Luman, Wm. H. Childers, W. A. Newton and Comrade Evans. Pending the report of the committee on credentials, the Senior Vice Commander, J. D. Forrester, took the chair and the Department Commander read his annual report, as follows:

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Department of Kentucky: One year ago I assumed the office to which you elected me, promising to perform to the best of my ability all of its duties. To me it has been "a labor of love." I have a just pride in giving you an account of my stewardship and await your judgment as to the measure of success that has been attained. I have the honor to report that I had the sympathy and hearty co-operation of all the Department officers, both elect and appointed, and to their untiring zeal and energy much of the credit of our success is due. We have mustered thirty new posts, with a membership of 800, and reorganized three posts. The total gain in membership during my administration is 776; present number of members 2,580. For the

details of the year's work you are respectfully referred to the reports of the various Department and staff officers herewith submitted. During my administration I have traveled about 3,500 miles by steamboats, railroads, hacks, buggies, ox-carts, road-wagons, horseback and on foot, over all kinds of roads and in all kinds of weather. I have written and answered personally 700 letters and sent 300 circulars, delivered thirteen public addresses, mustered seven posts and attended officially two funerals. Headquarters were established in an unpretentious mountain town, with the offices of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General at cross-road postoffices, eight and ten miles apart.

It has been well said that Republics are ungrateful, and an examination of our National pensioner roll confirms this fact. More than one-third of the pensioners of the late war receive from three and one-half to thirteen cents a day, and there are 100,000 included in these figures. Magnanimous Government! Appreciative Republic! When Sherman marched down to the sea, and moving northward, joined his forces with those of the "Silent Conqueror" of Appomattox, they proceeded to the National Capital for the last review. The Nation stood with uncovered head; such a scene was never before presented in the history of warfare. It was a brilliant picture, but still it represented only a remnant of the army shattered and torn. They had left 44,560 of their dead upon the field, "With feet to the line and face to the foe;" buried 49,000 more of their comrades who died of wounds received in battle; 8,000 more were missing, left on the field, in swamps, jungles and wildernesses, their bones bleaching white 'neath the rays of a Southern sun; 26,000 died in loathsome prison pens; 280,000 were wounded in battle, and thousands were never accounted for. 186,000 fell victims of disease, resulting from hardships they endured. They had fought 2,261 battles on a battle-line 3,000 miles in length; lost 280,000 prisoners of war; captured 340,000 from the enemy, besides 2,000 battle flags, 4,600 cannon and more than a million small arms. They had indeed achieved a triumph equal to their most sanguine expectations. The verdict of those who witnessed this grand pageant was seemingly unanimous. The demonstration was wonderful, and the great heart of the Nation seemed to palpitate with sympathy, and they vied with each other and were profuse in their laudations, and for fear that their mouths and throats would fail them they painted in large letters and posted on the White House, the most conspicuous place in the line of march, these words: "This Government can never pay the debt of gratitude it owes to its preservers." And it never has. The loyal men from the South returned to their homes only to find them desolate and devastated by war; mothers, sisters and wives were dead, and their fireside broken up. Many were not received with honor, and all, to some extent, ostracized and they now lament that those north of the Mason and Dixon line seemed almost to have forgotten them. The Union soldiers from the North were received with a warmth of patriotism that knew no bounds, but were soon forgotten. A majority of these men—and some were mere boys—had left lucrative positions in the professions, workshops, mines and farms. Prompted by the purest patriot-

ism, they entered the Union armies; were thinly clad, poorly fed, and paid a mere pittance for their services in money, worth less sometimes than 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ cents to the dollar. Cringing cowards had gotten rich in the positions they had left, and the Shylocks contended for their "pound of flesh." Divesting the subject of all its sentiments on a careful examination and estimate, it will be found that the veterans of the late war not only saved the Nation, but contributed more than the bondholders, who were paid principal and interest in gold. A pension to these men does not mean a gratuity; it is simple justice. This is not a charity; it is a debt that this Nation owes to the men that saved it. We do not ask alms, but for what is due. It is not a question of politics but one of National honor, a cause in which Republicans and Democrats, who fought shoulder to shoulder, are deeply interested; and while we may differ politically, there can be no difference of opinion on this subject among loyal and grateful hearts.

The Grand Army of the Republic now numbers about 400,000 men. We are entitled to respectable consideration. Will we not stand shoulder to shoulder, as we did in the great civil conflict twenty-three years ago and with ballots instead of bullets see that only our friends represent us in the councils of the Nations.

I have heretofore favored the Department Pension Bill, but am now perfectly delighted with the Per Diem Service Pension Bill. If we are not a unit on these measures let us remember that "in the midst of council there is safety." Whatever action this Department may take in its wisdom as a delegate body, will meet my approval and hearty co-operation and I pledge you my vote—and voice if necessary—that the National Encampment shall be in accord with your expressed wishes.

I desire to thank the comrades for their uniform courtesy and their hearty support; my staff for their faithful labors for the welfare of the order, and the Department officers for their loyal help on all occasions. Our associations have been mutually pleasant and I trust in some measure profitable to the fraternity. I now return to the "ranks," surrendering the gavel, for "I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of the Lord than dwell in the tents of wickedness." We are fast approaching the last grand review and when you hear the "taps" for the last time, may you find the "dark river" pontooned for your entrance into the Holy City, and when the vidette at the outpost presents Himself may faith direct and hope inspire you to give the correct countersign, and I am sure a host of comrades will meet and greet you.

Another holy day has been added to our calendar. Now let us pledge anew by the memories of our departed Logan and in his own language: "With each returning May wherever there is a soldier's grave—and where is there not a soldier's grave?"—the people now living and those to come after us will in honor of Logan, the patriot, soldier, orator and statesman, bring the beautiful flowers of the springtime and the sweet incense of praise and prayer to his grave and those of all our fallen comrades.

"The bravest are the tenderest,
The loving are the daring."

I recommend that the proceedings of this Encampment be printed for distribution to the several posts in the State and to National and State Department Headquarters.

The attention of Post Commanders and delegates is called to the Rules and Regulations in the matter of purchasing supplies. The Quartermaster General of each State Department is the only one authorized to sell our badges—they being made of captured cannon—besides the small profits made are to the interests of the G. A. R., while the "Cheap Johns" that advertise sell spurious badges. I would suggest to the incoming Department Commander the appointment of one Aid-de-camp in each of the several posts in the State.

I am of the opinion that it would be wise to locate permanently, or at least for a term of five years, our headquarters. The business is in a confused state for at least three months after the Department meeting. Besides, about the time the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General begin to thoroughly understand their business and are of great value to the Department, their terms expire. Matters could be so arranged by the appointment of a thorough business man to fill both offices above named, paying him a salary that would justify him. In order that there may be entire satisfaction, I suggest the adoption at this Department meeting of a suitable badge for the permanent use of this Department in the future.

Our great auxiliary, the Women's Relief Corps, commanding our respect, deserving our most grateful thanks, is conducted in such a manner as to reflect credit upon its management, and no post of the G. A. R. in this or any other Department can afford to ignore these "angels of mercy and messengers of peace"—these loyal hands that did so much for us in the hospitals and sanitary departments during the war. We can never forget them, and their valuable services have so favorably impressed us in the past that in the future we hope to enjoy the blessings and not "the lack of woman's nursing; the dearth of woman's tears." They merit our hearty co-operation, are worthy of our confidence and esteem. Let us continue to encourage, strengthen, assist and love them forever.

The next National Encampment will be held at Columbus, O., our sister State, in September next. Will you not attend, though you do so at a sacrifice, and under the folds of the dear old flag you carried to victory, clasp the hands of those who are now and were your true friends during the war?

Sons of Veterans—Our dear boys are toiling over the roughness of the first ascent. Let us extend to them a helping hand and assist them in obtaining that recognition richly deserved by the "noble sons of illustrious sires." Our ranks are being rapidly decimated by the reaper Death. Our sons will keep our graves green and transmit our deeds of valor to generations unborn. To them we can entrust the captured flag—the trophies of their fathers. Let them be preserved as mementos of the time when the sledgehammer of destiny on the anvil of fate, welded in the fiery heat of civil war, the discordant elements of a common country into a united nation.

On motion, the Senior Vice Commander appointed the following committee on the address of the Commander: Wm. H.

Childers, Joseph A. Sparks, N. N. Gamble, Vincent Boreing and Charles Erdman.

On motion the Encampment adjourned for dinner to meet at 4 o'clock p. m., after the parade.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Encampment met promptly at 4 o'clock, and pending the report of the Committee on Credentials, the Assistant Adjutant General read his report, which is as follows:

Wm. Bowman, Department Commander:

SIR AND COMRADE: In accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the G. A. R., I have the honor to make the following report of the business of this office during the year ending December 31, 1887, and a supplementary report from January 1, 1888, to April 16, 1888.

The fourth quarterly report made by A. A. Gen. H. G. Trimble, shows that on December 31, 1886, there were fifty-two posts in the Department, forty-three in good standing, with a membership in good standing of 1,804. During the quarter ending March 31, and up to April 9, 1887, there were mustered eight more posts, making sixty, and according to Comrade Trimble's report and recommendations to suspend Posts Nos. 15, 24, 30 and 34, they were included in the fourth quarterly report, December 31, 1886. He reported two disbanded and seven suspended (nine) and four recommended for suspension (thirteen), from sixty would leave forty-seven posts in good standing at the date of the last annual meeting, April 15, 1887. Since that date and up to December 31, 1887, the following posts have been mustered:

No.	Name of Post.	Location.	No. Mustered.	Remarks.
61	Chas Sumner	Lexington	100	Mustered May '87
62	L H Rousseau	Stanford	23	" June, '87
63	Seth Parker	Tollsboro	20	" "
64	Jas Durrell	Central City	18	" " "
65	Capt Ellis	Quincy	20	" " "
66	McLeod	Claysville	18	No date of muster
67	C Osborn	Blaine	15	Mustered Sept. '87
68	John Brown	Paris	8	" " "
69	F M Burgees	Peach Orchard	25	" " "
70	W H Lytle	Fern Creek	10	" " "
71	Jos Dudley	Flemingsburg	23	" " "
72	Joe McCloud	Brooksville	26	" " "
73	D V Auxier	Paintsville	20	" " "
74	C Maxwell	Corydon	12	" Oct. 20, '87
75	W C Whitaker	Louisville	20	" Sept. 10, "
76	Henry	New Castle	24	" Nov. 17, "
77	S D Murrell	Josephine	16	" " "
78	W L Lee	Carrollton	26	" Dec. 14, "
79	J S Willis	Rochester	25	" " 15, "
80	Wm Jackson	Franklin	31	" " 20, "
81	J Humphrey	Humphrey	30	" " 17, "
82	Morris	Brownsville	33	" " " "
83	N F Twyman	Greensburg	27	" " " "
84	J J Gore	Monroe	30	" " " "
85	W T Ward	Louisville	20	" " " "
86	A Wiley	Johnsville	—	No report
87	N W Hancock	Gap Creek	44	"

Total No. of comrades mustered. 649

Number of Posts in the Department April 15, 1887	60
Number of Post organized during the year.....	27
Number of Posts reorganized	1
Total.....	88
Number of Posts in good standing April 9, 1887.....	47
Number of Posts in good standing December 31, 1887.....	68
Net gain over all losses in Posts	21
Number members in good standing December 31, 1886.....	1804
Number members in good standing December 31, 1887.....	2580
Net gain in members over all losses.....	776

When I assumed the duties of Assistant Adjutant General it was agreed by me and the Assistant Quartermaster General, S. G. Hillis, that as our postoffice address was not the same, that all requisitions for supplies should be made direct on the Assistant Quartermaster General, Concord, Ky., and the same was fully carried out with the exception of three or four orders which were promptly referred to the Assistant Quartermaster General. The sum of \$522.56, in per capita, charter fees and supplies was received by me and paid over to the Assistant Quartermaster General, during the year ending December 31, 1887 and March 31, 1888.

I expended for postage, expressage, telegrams and stationary the sum of \$41.12.

I received seventy-five copies of the Journal of the Twenty-first Annual Encampment at St. Louis, from E. B. Young, Adjutant General, and mailed each post that was in good standing a copy. As to the financial condition of the Department I refer you to the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General, as all requisitions for supplies were sent to him and also many reports of Post Quartermasters with the per capita tax. Therefore I have no report to make of how much post tax, charter fees and supply funds have been received and what amounts have been paid out. I only report what I have received and the expense of the office as shown above, which don't include the letter heads and envelopes furnished me by the Assistant Quartermaster General. The correspondence of the office has been large during the year, caused mostly by the neglect and delay of the Post officers sending in their quarterly reports. I have been obliged to ask of the National Department an extension of time to forward my reports, in order not to be obliged to report so many delinquent posts. All National orders and all orders and circulars issued by you, and all blank reports have been sent to all posts in the Department on time, all grumbling of posts not receiving the same, to the contrary notwithstanding.

The following Posts were reported in the fourth quarterly report to National Headquarters, delinquent and suspended, viz.: Nos. 7 and 31, disbanded; suspended, Nos. 3, 5, 10, 15, 17, 18, 20, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 32, 34, 36, 40, 48 and 60; total, twenty. The Quartermaster's books will show how these posts stand and how far behind they are in dues. There is quite an amount of records, files, Adjutant's reports and letters and order books, which are never used or referred to in the ordinary business of the office and are much in the way. I suggest and recommend that

this matter be stored in some safe place or placed in the custody of some post, where, if necessary, it could be readily referred to. I also recommend that a journal of the proceedings of this, the Sixth Annual Encampment, be published and a copy furnished each post in the Department, in order that the old comrades may learn the true standing of the G. A. R., and that there may be a copy to file among the archives at National Headquarters and thus save the Assistant Adjutant General considerable work in writing and filing the same in manuscript.

In closing this report, I wish to thank you for the honor conferred, and I hope the great confidence you reposed in me has been fully justified by my fidelity. My thanks are hereby extended to all your official staff and all others of the order with whom I have come in personal or official contact.

Very respectfully your obedient servant in F. C. and L.,
A. S. COLE, A. A. Gen.

Supplementary Report from Jan. 1, to April 16.

Per capita tax received April 16, 1888.....	\$134 92
Amount received December 31, 1887.....	522 56
Total.....	\$656 48
Postage account from March 31 to April 14.....	\$ 2 15
Postage account from March 31 to April 14.....	41 12
Total.....	\$43 27
December 31, No. of posts mustered.....26 Members.....	649
December 31 to April 14, No. posts..... 3 Members.....	889
Total.....	29733
Gained by muster during the year 1887, and to April 16, 1888, 1218. Respectfully in F. C. and L., A. S. COLE, A. A. Gen.	

On motion, the Assistant Adjutant General's report was referred to the same committee as that on the Commander's report.

A point of order was raised with reference to the roll of the Encampment, that the Committee on Credentials should report before there was any further business transacted.

The said committee reported as per roll of Encampment made out by the A. A. Gen., and objected to a substitute report of Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 6. A vote being taken as to the acceptance of said substitute report, it was decided in the affirmative, and the roll was then called as follows:

(Note—Those present are indicated with x)

Wm. Bowman, D. C.; J. C. Michie, P. D. C.; W. H. Harton, P. D. C.; G. W. Northup, P. D. C.; T. Z. Morrow, P. D. C.; J. D. Forrester, Sen. Vice; O. A. Reynolds Junior Vice; Benj. Letcher, M. D.; Wm. H. Childers, Dept. Chap.; R. M. Kelly, Dept. His.; A. S. Cole, A. A. Gen.; S. G. Hillis, A. Q. Gen.; D. O'Riley, Inspector Gen.; M. C. Hutchins, I. A. Gen.; Ed. Hilpp, C. M. O.; H. Hyde, Senior A. D. C.; C. of A.—Geo. E. Currie, B. N. Sharpe, J. Hensler, M. C. Hutchins and B. F. Nesbit.



No	Name	No. food standing	No Del	Past Commanders	Delegates	Alternates
1	Wm. Nelson	108	4	A. C. Breith, x F. C. Miller, x W. Harton C. Radamacher, x C. H. Keen	S. H. Hamil, x Chas. Solar, x Chas. Welch, x E. H. Kirkpatrick, x	R. A. Boyd J. F. Davis J. Follette
2	Jas. A. Garfield	130	5	O. A. Reynolds, x S. T. Jack, x W. A. Newton, x W. A. Mumeger J. Grunkmyer C. Erdman, x W. M. Collins, x	A. J. Lored, x J. M. Kerr, x W. O. Ford C. Clingman E. Adams B. Mathews, x C. E. Carrol, x	T. E. Livezey, x E. Daily, x J. H. Metchner, x G. M. Thrasher
6	Geo. H. Thoma	160	6	J. B. Fishback J. D. Forrester, x A. E. Richards P. S. Bruner D. O'Riley, x A. S. Cole, x	J. H. Browning, x M. Minton, x C. Flannigan, x E. Farmer, x Rily Parah, x	
8	J. Wess Gosnell	52	2	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	Geo. W. Bernard, x T. H. Guthrie W. Capner, x	Jno. Dodson Wm. H. Rinehart. Wm. Sullman, x
9	Croxton	50	2	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	Geo. W. Bernard, x T. H. Guthrie	Wm. H. Rinehart. Wm. Sullman, x
12	Warner	30	1	Samuel Green J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	W. Capner, x	
13	J. Heiser	42	2	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	T. M. Luman, x	J. A. Davis, x
14	McPherson	33	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x		
16	Joe. Hooker	33	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x		
17	Rousseau	29	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	J. W. McKellop, x	
22	Hancock	20	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	W. H. George, x	
28	E. P. Mavity	25	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x		
33	A. G. Bacon	17	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	H Hyde, x	
39	Maj. Harris	30	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	A. A. Manon	
42	J. J. Mann	27	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	A. C. Crane, x	
43	Blackburn	18	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	Geo. Haskins	Jurry Lee, x
44	Monroe	26	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	A. Stoves Wm. Lennox	
52	Scoville	85	3	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	W. Phillips T. P. McCracken V. Boreing, x H. Milward	W. Letton
54	E. L. Dudley	49	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	J. T. Gunn, x	
56	Lincoln	57	2	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	J. R. Speris J. F. Woods, x S. W. Mither, x Wm. Mahoney, x	
60	Hodges	75	3	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	G. Steward Pat Rush, x	
63	S. Parker	29	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	W. Wallingford, x	J. S. Mavity
64	Durrell	18	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	W. Kelly, x G. C. Carr	
67	Osborn	15	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	Geo. Gordon, x E. Osborn	
68	Jno. Brown	8	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	H. H. Gambell, x T. B. Risk, x	
71	J. Dudley	23	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	L. A. McClaiter D. E. Staggs, x	
72	J. McCloud	26	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	N. S. Dudley, x H. T. Ingram	
73	Auxier	20	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	H. C. Metcalf, x J. R. Dixon, x J. F. Stewart, x	
75	Whitaker	20	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	G. Brinkworth I. B. Webster	P. Hager, x
77	Murrell	16	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	A. Whedon, x C. D. Murrell	
83	Twyman	22	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	J. S. Woods, x E. H. Hobson, x	
84	J. J. Gore	30	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	J. H. Mitchum, x	
85	Ward	20	1	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	J. H. Mitchell, x J. W. Pell, x	
87	Hancock	44	2	J. S. Hise, x G. M. Clinger, x Jacob Miller, x M. C. Hutchins, x J. P. Jones, x R. S. Harr, x T. Carr J. E. Curren, x	W. W. Hicks, x Jno. Fowler, x	

The Committee on Credentials reported: The list of officials and delegates, as prepared by the A. A. Gen., is correct, and they are entitled to seats in this Encampment.

A. S. COLE,	} Com.
W. A. NEWTON,	
T. M. LUMAN,	
W. H. CHILDERS,	

The A. Q. M. Gen. read his report, which was referred to the Council of Administration. The report follows:

To the Commander and Comrades, Department of Kentucky, G. A. R.: I have the honor to submit the following report:

To receipts and expenditure of the A. Q. M. General's office for the year ending April 1888, the receipts are from the following sources: Balance April 1887, per capita, charter fees and sales:

From A. Q. M. Gen. Owen.....	\$ 656 83
From per capita tax.....	694 77
From charter fees.....	375 00
From sale of supplies.....	732 62
Total	\$2459 22

EXPENDITURES.

To Per capita paid Q. M. Gen.....	\$ 66 56
To supplies bought of same.....	527 16
To expense account (as itemized).....	651 55
	1245 27
Balance	\$1213 95

The expense account is classed as follows:

Mustering	\$184 10
Expressing	36 80
Postage.....	57 32
Printing and stationary.....	109 95
Twenty-first National Encampment.....	182 10
Salary.....	81 28
Total.....	\$651 55
Assets April 16, 1888, cash.....	\$1213 95
Supplies.....	52 06
Due from Posts.....	33 99
Total.....	\$1300 00

Having gained 1,807 in members and twenty-nine posts and \$1,213 against \$656 83 since the last Encampment, we would congratulate the Commander and comrades on the substantial gains thus made, and in view of the general good feeling prevailing in the order and the rapidly growing public sentiment in our favor all over our State, we confidently predict a continued success and growth of our beloved order in the hands of the incoming administration; and here we pause to pledge our new Commander and staff our earnest and hearty co-operation in their every effort to push the Department on and up.

With mingled feelings of sadness and gladness we lay down the trust committed to our hands one year ago—with sadness we

sever our official relations with Commander Bowman, his efficient and faithful Adjutant General, Col. A. S. Cole and other staff officers, with every assurance that our mutual labor and efforts thus ended have only tended to strengthen and extend the ties that bind us together as comrades; with gladness that the duties and responsibilities are now transferred to other and capable hands with every prospect of continued growth and success. So mote it be.

Fraternally subscribed,

S. G. HILLIS, A. Q. M. Gen.

The Chaplain, the Rev. W. H. Childers, read his report, which was referred to a committee of three, viz.: Patrick Rush, Geo. W. Bevard and Comrade Miller, with instructions that they fix a donation for the chaplain.

On motion, the Encampment adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock a. m. Wednesday.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday, April 18.—The Encampment met promptly at 8 o'clock and was opened in due form by the Department Commander.

Patrick Rush, from the special committee on the Chaplain's service, recommended \$30, which the committee thought would be accepted.

Comrade Erdman moved to amend by inserting \$300.

The Chaplain and several other comrades in debate argued that Comrade Erdman's motion was too full of sarcasm, and the motion was finally withdrawn and a motion to adopt the original motion carried.

The reports of the Assistant Inspector General, D. O'Riley; the Senior Department Commander, J. D. Forrester; the Junior Vice Commander, O. A. Reynolds, and the Judge Advocate General, M. C. Hutchins, were read and referred to committees.

The Commander appointed the following Committee on Resolutions: Gen. E. H. Hobson, Gen. S. S. Fry, M. C. Hutchins, J. K. Dixon and Charles Radamacher

The Council of Administration reported on the Assistant Adjutant General's report, that they found the same correct, and recommended that the Encampment allow the A. A. Gen. a salary of \$125 and the A. Q. M. Gen. \$100. Carried.

The committee on the Commanders' report presented the following:

We, the committee, appreciate and indorse the able and appropriate address of our Commander and recommend the adoption of the same, excepting so much as relates to the consolidation of the offices of the A. A. Gen. and the A. Q. M. Gen. We recommend the adoption of the "Corn cracker" as a Department badge. We recommend that said report be printed and copies distributed among the several posts of the Department, and that the Adjutants of the respective posts read the same as other orders.

C. W. ERDMAN, Ch'mn.

V. BOREING, Sec'y.

The committee on the Assistant Adjutant Generals report presented the following:

We, the committee, having examined the Assistant Adjutant General's report find it correct and hereby recommend that it

be received and adopted; and the attention of the incoming administration is specially called to that portion that refers to the delinquent and suspended posts, to the end that they may be restored.

C. W. ERDMAN,
V. BOREING.

The Encampment proceeded to elect officers for the year.

The Commander appointed J. A. Sparks and J. K. Dixon tellers.

On motion, Comrade O. A. Reynolds was elected Commander unanimously. Comrade Boreing was nominated for Senior Vice Commander; and there being no further nominations Comrade Boreing's election was made unanimous, and he accepted in a well pointed speech. Comrade M. Minton was elected Junior Vice Commander; Dr. J. P. Huff, Medical Director; Pat Rush, Historian, and Rev. W. H. Childers, Chaplain.

Delegates to the National Encampment at Large—Gen. Hobson, S. G. Hillis, J. D. Forrester and L. R. Hawthorne. Alternates at Large—D. O'Riley, S. T. Jack, J. D. Stewart and J. P. Jones.

Council of Administration—T. E. Livezey, F. C. Miller. A. Whedon, M. C. Hutchins and S. G. Hillis.

The Commander-elect appointed the following staff officers: W. A. Newton, Assistant Adjutant General; S. T. Jack, Assistant Quartermaster General; D. O'Riley, Assistant Inspector General; E. H. Kirkpatrick, Judge Advocate General.

Report of Committee on Inspector's report:

We, the Committee, having examined the Inspector's report, find it correct and hereby recommend its adoption. The special attention of the A. A. Gen. is called to that section that refers to the delinquent posts, to the end that they may be restored, etc.

C. W. ERDMAN,
V. BOREING.

On motion, a place for the next annual meeting was selected. Louisville and Ashland were voted on and the vote resulted: Louisville, 19; Ashland, 48.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, By the Department of Kentucky, G. A. R., that our representatives to the National Encampment are instructed to vote in favor of the Per Diem Service Pension Bill now before Congress.

There being no further business before the Encampment, Gen. J. C. Michie installed the officers-elect and the Encampment stood adjourned.

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