

Breckenridge, John H. Morgan, William Preston, "Cero Gorda" Williams, Roger Hanson, Joseph H. Lewis, Basil W. Duke, Simon Boliver Buckner and a host of others of field officers, who won renown on many a battle field, and by distinguished public service as citizens of the State after the war had ended. But far more to be honored than these are the private soldiers who marched, and endured, and suffered hunger and cold, with no hope of reward, except duty well done, in defense of a great principle. What service have they rendered Kentucky since the war? They have made honorable, law-abiding, upright citizens. They have filled with credit, honor, and distinction to the State, every office within the gift of the people, and in no instance has any suspicion of dishonorable action attached to their official conduct. The judicial ermine of the State has been honored by the manner in which Confederate soldiers have presided over the courts, and even the bench upon which you sit has been honored by their presence upon it, witness the renowned services of William Lindsay, Thomas H. Hines, James H. Hazelrigg, and others.

When the last gun had been fired and their shot-riddled flags had been furled, those war-worn veterans turned their faces toward the places where had been their homes. The soldiers of the Federal armies also commenced to return to their homes, but how different the home-coming to the men of the two armies. As the Federal soldiers reached their homes they heard drums beating, bands playing, saw the whole populace out in holiday attire, the buildings covered with bunting, and the people shouting Hosannas of Praise, and the Government standing