THE GRAND ARMY.

News from the Departments---Camp-fires, etc.

HEADQUARTERS BULLETIN.

The Commander-in-Chief at Denver and Salt Lake.

TOLEDO, O., April 18, 1885.

On the 11th Gen. Kountz arrived in Denver, Colo. He was met at the depot by Department Commander A. V. Bohn, members of his Staff, and a large representation of the Grand Army in Denver, who accompanied him to the Windsor Hotel. After refreshment he was escorted to various points of interest in the city and received a number of the comrades at Grand Army Headquarters. During the afternoon, in company with Department Commander Bohn, Past Department Commander Carr and Col. Kennedy, he visited Farragut Relief Corps, where he received a cordial welcome and addressed the ladies briefly as follows:

LADIES OF FARRAGUT RELIEF CORPS: I give you my most cordial and fraternal greeting, and assure you it gives me more pleasure than I have words to express to meet so many loyal ladies of your patriotic and benevolent organization.

I shall never cease to remember your earnest devotion and the loving words of encouragement in the hour of our country's peril when we bid adieu to home and friends and the dearest earthly ties to battle for the preservation of the Republic. Nor can I ever forget how nobly you sustained us in those trying hours. I am here and soul in fever of the Woman's Relief Corps, and I believe in the admission of all loyal women.

Another thing, I tell my comrades that the Post without your help cannot carry out the second grand virtue of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Post to which I have the honor to belong has a glorious record in the great work of charity, and I can say truthfully that but for the existence of our Relief Corps it would be difficult to carry on the work.

As I have said, I am glad to meet you, and wish you God-speed in your noble and meritorious work.

In the evening he was the recipient of a rousing reception at Armory Hall, by the Department Commander and Staff and nearly all the members of the Order in Denver, and from other portions of the State.

The platform was occupied by Commander-in-Chief Kountz, Department Commander Bohn and Staff, ex-Department Commander Stimson and other prominent members.

The meeting was called to order by Gen. Stimson, who called upon Commander Bohn, who briefly but eloquently addressed the Commander-in-Chief, saying that it was the duty of all soldiers to obey officers and those of superior rank. In the present instance every old soldier in the country was proud to bow in obedience to the drummer-boy of Mission Ridge, who is the Commander of such illustrious heroes as Grant, Sherman and others.

The Commander-in-Chief responded in fitting terms, and referring to the noble purposes and aims of the organization, said the Grand Army was the largest and strongest civic organization the world has ever known; that in its work of Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty it was nobly seconded by the Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans, to both of which organizations and their noble aims he paid high tribute. He expressed himself as particularly delighted at the flattering reception he had received during the day and evening, and praised in strong terms the beauty of Denver and its handsome edifices.

MORE WORDS OF WELCOME.

Mrs. Department President Kennedy at this point was introduced, and, in behalf the Woman's Relief Corps, welcomed the Commander-in-Chief to the beautiful Centennial State. In the course of her remarks she said:

We have more old soldiers to our population than any other State in the Union, Kansas not excepted; and again we say we are glad to see you. Our relief Department is not a year old. We have now about 15 well-organized Corps, with an active membership of about 500. Our members are zealous and earnest in their work. The mothers, widows, wives, sisters, and daughters of your "old veterans" are ready now, as they were during the war, to extend a helping hand—to soothe the heated brow and bind up the wounds of the broken-hearted. Our work is very great. We are caring for many families or parts of families that without our assistance would suffer the pangs of destitution.

During the recent session of our General Assembly we endeavored to get a State appropriation for a "Soldiers' Home" in this State, but we failed. However, we are not discouraged, but will keep on and expect to present our claims to the General Government at the next session of Congress for a "National Soldiers' Home" in Colorado, and to this end we do most earnestly and respectfully solicit your aid and co-operation in this enterprise.

Mrs. M. J. Telford, National Corresponding Secretary, on the staff of the National President, presented the Commander-in-Chief with a bouquet of exquisite flowers. He thanked the ladies heartily for the compliments conferred. A recitation by Mrs. Beemer followed, then some witty remarks by Senior Vice Department Commander Fisher, of Cheyenne. Col. McArthur spoke for the Sons of Veterans, saying the Order was growing rapidly in Colorado. The Tabor Nationals now entered the hall and gave a magnificent exhibition drill, after which there was a general handshaking reception, comrades and ladies pressing forward to press the hand of the gallant young Commander-in-Chief.

RECEPTION AT CHEYENNE.

The Commander-in-Chief left Denver at noon Sunday and reached Cheyenne at 5 o'clock, where he was met by Reno Post and a band of music. At this point Judge Advocate-General Austin joined him. As the train remained here about half an hour the Commander-in-Chief, after shaking every comrade by the hand, addressed the vast crowd which had gathered at the depot from the platform of the car, thanking them for the splendid reception and regretting that his arrangements would not permit him to remain over and meet the comrades in their hall. After urging the comrades to stand by the G.A.R., the only representative soldier organization in America, which included comrades of every army and all ranks, he was followed by Judge Austin, who spoke eloquently of the comradeship so dear to old soldiers.

On Monday evening the Commander-in-Chief and Judge Advocate-General arrived at Ogden, where they were met by Department Commander Wardleigh, Ass't Adj't-Gen. Snyder, and other comrades, and escorted to the Brown Hotel, where they were the guests of the comrades, and were tendered a reception in the evening.

On Tuesday the travelers started for Salt Lake, where they arrived in due time, and were met at the depot by James B. McKean Post, which also tendered them a reception in the evening. Nearly the entire membership of the Post was on hand. Among the comrades present were Gen. Eli H. Murray and Col. Sells. The reception and introductions took place in the rooms of the Utah Commission, which had been placed at the disposal of the Post by Gov. Ramsey of the Commission. After the formal introductions were over, the company, by this time a large one, adjourned into the hall, where the exercises of the evening were formally opened by Comrade Hoffman, Post Commander, who introduced Comrade John S. Kountz, the guest of the evening, as the first speaker, who made a few appropriate remarks. Gen. Austin made an address of 30 minutes' length, which was listened to with great attention. Gen. Murray's address was an exceedingly happy one, and elicited rounds of applause. At a late hour the comrades adjourned after having spent a most delightful evening. The Commander-in-Chief and Judge-Advocate General left on the following morning for San Francisco.

MINNESOTA TESTIMONIALS.

Gen. R. B. Beath, Past Commander-in-Chief, and Col. John W. Burst, Past Inspector-General, accompanied by Col. W. S. Scribner, of Post 28, Chicago, reached Minneapolis on the 10th inst., for the purpose of presenting the testimonials ordered by the Minneapolis Encampment for the State and City and the Department of Minnesota. The other members of the committee were unable to attend at this time, each being engaged in important duties elsewhere.

The committee speak very highly of their reception by the comrades; Commander Becker, A. A. G. Norton, and S. V. Commander-in-Chief Rea, with other active comrades, doing everything in their power to add to their pleasure in this visit.

At St. Paul the committee were entertained with a dinner at the Merchants' Hotel, with Gov. Hubbard, a member of Acker Post, and other State officials, the Department Commander and Comrade Brooks, Chief Mustering Officer, and representatives of the St. Paul Posts.

They were received at the Capitol by Gov. Hubbard, and after being shown through the departments were driven around the city that they might judge of the wonderful growth of the city. The committee left for Chicago on Saturday evening, Comrade Beath to combine a business trip to Cincinnati, Louisville, and other points.

THE FORMAL PRESENTATION.

The presentation of the testimonials, which have been fully described in THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, was a right royal occasion, and fraternal enthusiasm prevailed. The engraved testimonials, to city and State, are pronounced perfect specimens of art, the work of Mr. A. S. Pritchard, of Girard College, Philadelphia. The mounting is superb, in handsomely-carved frames, with elaborate mountings of bronze and steel, the work of Col. Fred Boland, of Philadelphia. The Grand Army badge presented the Department is in the form of a superb plaque, made from captured cannon, with a crimson plush background and heavily-embossed frame. A plate on the lower side of the frame bears the inscription:

Presented to the
Department of Minnesota
of the
Grand Army of the Republic,
Comrade E. C. Babb, Commander,
by the
National Encampment,
For Fraternal Courtesies received at the Eighteenth Annual Session held at Minneapolis on July 23, 24 and 25, 1884.

The presentation took place at Market Hall, which was crowded with Grand Army comrades and interested citizens. Some 200 comrades of Acker and Garfield Posts, of St. Paul, who escorted Gov. Hubbard and the State officials from St. Paul, the capital city, occupied front seats. Shortly before 8 o'clock Gov. Hubbard, Commander Becker, Mayor Pillsbury, Gen. J. W. Burst of Chicago, ex Gov. Marshall, Gen. W. S. Scribner of Illinois, Col. R. C. Benton, Capt. E. C. Babb, Adj't H. E. Norton, George W. Merchant, Adj't-Gen. McCarthy, Col. H. G. Hicks, ex-Commander-in-Chief R. B. Beath, Rev. J. M. Bull, Henry Downs, Gen. Daniel Leisure, Col. Roberts, Maj. Henderson, Col. M. H. Sessions and Judge Rea took their places on the platform, while the bands played national airs. Department Commander Becker, of St. Paul, presided, and in opening he read the resolution passed last Summer by the National G.A.R. Posts, thanking Minneapolis for her hospitable treatment. Then followed the presentation of the testimonial to the State by Judge J. P. Rea, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, who, in behalf of the Commander-in-Chief of

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absent on his California trip, said:

It is now nearly 20 years since the great conflict was ended, and the thousands of men who had stood shoulder to shoulder for four years returned home. They had many relations in common; there were ties that bound them together. Within a year there sprung up an organization known as the Grand Army of the Republic, founded on the charity that exists between its members and loyalty to the Union. It numbers now the greatest Generals and the humblest drummer boy. The great Commander-in-Chief, now struggling with death, sits as a private in our ranks, while the drummer boy of Mission Ridge is its Commander-in-Chief.

The speaker then alluded to the Encampment and the manner in which Minneapolis had entertained the visitors last Summer, and of the testimonial to the State to be handed over to the Governor of the State. The engrossed resolution, which stood covered with a flag on one corner of the stage, was then uncovered, and Judge Rea said:

Permit me, Gov. Hubbard—Comrade Hubbard—to offer you this testimonial in behalf of the National Commander-in-Chief. The Grand Army and the people are proud to find at the head of this Commonwealth a brother, a comrade, who helped to write the name of this growing State in letters of blood and glory on the Southern battlefields, and we are proud to commit to the care of a comrade this testimonial of gratitude to your State.

COMRADE HUBBARD'S RESPONSE.

Gov. Hubbard said:

It is with very great pleasure that I receive this testimonial at your hands, and acknowledge on behalf of the people of this State their profound appreciation of the Grand Army of the Republic. The pleasure of dispensing hospitality is ever heightened by feeling that one's welcome is appreciated and believed to be sincere. The people of the State rejoice in the opportunity of dispensing all her hospitalities to all who from one cause and another visit the State; never was she more so than when she welcomed 30,000 old soldiers to her homes and hearts. She will cherish the event and associate it with that epoch when she sent her sons to the front and when she welcomed them home again, crowned with the laurels of victory. This effort to show that her hospitality was appreciated will be held most dear and will be cherished as an emblem ever dear to her hearts. [Applause.]

TO MINNEAPOLIS.

After several patriotic airs by Sidwell's band, Gen. J. W. Burst, Past Commander of Illinois, presented the testimonial to the city. He said it was one of the most pleasant duties of his life to appear again in Minneapolis and try to tell how the veterans had remembered the city and its welcome. He then eulogized most highly the city and her people, and said he did not believe the people all over the country knew of the great and flourishing city upon the Northwest. In presenting the gift, he said: "I charge you, Mr. Mayor, to cherish this testimonial. If this St. Paul, which has a way of stretching out and taking in everything, tries to get hold of it, I charge you to take it to the boundless prairie and call upon the G.A.R., and we will build for it a place of safety."

Mayor Pillsbary replied briefly, saying it had been a great pleasure to the officials and the people of the city to have entertained the national gathering of the G.A.R. If the city had been successful, she was only the more glad. "When the war broke out," said the Mayor, "our city was not in existence: when you came to visit us we were a hundred thousand strong. Your great pageant of 30,000 men marching to music was witnessed by 200,000 citizens of this State. No other organization could have brought out so many interested spectators. We shall cherish this testimonial, and I pledge you I will spend the last drop of my blood before I will see St. Paul take it" [Applause.]

TO THE DEPARTMENT.

After songs by the Minneapolis colored quartet, Past Commander-in-Chief R. B. Beath presented the badge to the Department, in which he said that he was present with his colleagues of the committee representing the National Encampment of the G.A.R., and made a brief statement as to the objects and growth of the Order, and said that the members of the Grand Army who, 20 years ago this day, were sharing rations with their late foes, who had surrendered to the Army of the Potomac, under the matchless leadership of U. S. Grant, were now the conservators of peace.

He said that the hearts of our people were filled with rejoicing that the hero of Appomattox had passed through the 9th of April in an improved condition, and whatever the result, the name of Grant would stand alone in history as the one leader of great armies who, receiving in his plain working clothes, as he had yesterday expressed it, the surrender of the Army of Virginia, had the magnanimity, the forethought, to say to Gen. Lee, "Your men will need their horses for plowing and hoeing; let them take them home; let the officers retain their side arms, and all return to become good citizens of a united country."

Col. Beath then, referring to the presentation to both State and City, said that it was deemed more appropriate to express the good will and fraternal feelings of the Grand Army—the 5,000 Posts from Maine to Oregon—by giving them a testimonial that would in years to come be considered above any price, a fac-simile of the membership badge of the Grand Army made from cannon captured during the rebellion, and now turned into an emblem of peace. At this point the badge was uncovered, and its presentation was received by rapturous applause from the comrades, in which the whole audience then heartily joined.

Past Department Commander Babb, for the State Department, responded briefly, expressing the hearty thanks of the veterans and assuring the presentor that it would be held sacred. At the close of his remarks, Sidwell's band rendered several more patriotic airs, after which there were several camp-fire speeches. W. S. Scribner, of Chicago, was first introduced. After him, the Rev. J. M. Bull, who made a speech full of patriotic sentiment.

A WORD FOR THE OLD HERO.

Ex-Gov. W. R. Marshall, of St. Paul, was then introduced. He presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the profound sympathy of this assembly of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic be telegraphed to our comrade, Gen. U. S. Grant, in his great suffering.

The ex-Governor then spoke for some time, relating several incidents, and was followed by Col. R. C. Benton. In the course of his remarks he spoke feelingly of Gen. Grant, and was loudly applauded. After him, Gen. Daniel Leisure, of St. Paul, was introduced. He related a half dozen or so anecdotes that kept the audience in roars of laughter, and he was followed by Col. H. G. Hicks, whose speech was a characteristic one, and was well received. The colored quartet then sang "In the Morning By the Bright Light," and for an encore, "Listening all the Day," after which the exercises closed with "Marching Through Georgia," and the audience joining in the chorus.

HEADQUARTER'S NOTES.

A little son of Commander-in-Chief Kountz had his wrist fractured a day or two since by the breaking down of the platform of a roller coaster.

Adj't-Gen. Alcorn spent the week at Portland and other points East arranging the details for the coming National Encampment.

The annual meeting of the United States Christian and Sanitary Commission will hold its coming sessions at Old Orchard Beach, following the National Encampment. The National President, Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood, and the National Chaplain, Mrs. Annie Wittenmyer, both of whom are among the Vice-Presidents, will contribute to the program, and Mrs. Elizabeth Mansfield Irving will recite a poem. FORSYTH.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

MINNESOTA.—"J. V. C.," Kasson: Burnside Post, No. 32, Kasson, Dodge County, has a drum corps, composed of boys from 13 to 17 years of age. While the question, How to procure the needful to pay for drums and equipments for these patriotic and worthy sons of worthy sires was puzzling the brain of our worthy Quartermaster, the boys took the matter into their own hands, and right nobly have they succeeded. Enlisting the aid of their sisters of nearly the same age, a Broom Brigade was organized, and they have just given us an entertainment, said by our oldest inhabitants to surpass anything of the kind ever witnessed in Kasson. We believe it. The boys and girls performed their parts admirably, and received rounds of applause from a large and appreciative audience. The military evolutions and manual of arms were executed with a precision not surpassed by our best drilled troops. The martial music and patriotic songs thrilled our hearts and reminded us of scenes never to be forgotten; but sometimes the camp-fire burns low, and needs a little fuel to brighten the memory. Our boys are made of the right stuff. The mantles of their fathers have fallen upon them, and if we mistake not they will be heard from at our State Encampment this season. Net proceeds of the above entertainment was $113.52.

MISSOURI.—Henry A. Astholz, Cape Girardeau: This Post is in a flourishing condition, and the members hardly ever miss a meeting. On the 10th of March we sustained a severe loss in the death of Comrade C. W. Sacknann, who was buried with military honors by Justi Post on the 12th. The imposing ceremonies of the Order were well received by a great number of citizens, who followed the remains to the grave.——Frank Harder, Victoria: Officers of James N. Whitehead Post, No. 171: Commander, V. P. Dillingham; S. V. C., George Patten; J. V. C., Chris. Ruppell; Adj't, Frank Harder; Q. M., John Martin; Surg., C. S. White; Chap., Doc F. Mekee; O. D., George W. Merry; O. G., J. Schneeberger; S. M., John Indy; Q. M. S., Samuel McMullin.——J. T. Stanhope, Marionville: Officers of Marrionville Post: Commander, W. H. Robinson; S. V. C., S. C. McCullah; J. V. C., W. L. Jarome; Surg., Dr. D. T. Brack; O. D., William Youngblood; Q. M., J. H. Scott, Adj't, J. T. Stanhope; O. G., C. R. Allen; Q. M. S., George W. Owens; S. M., H. J. M. Holt.

NEBRASKA.—Sheridan Post, No. 34, Schuyler, at a recent meeting adopted the following resolutions: *Resolved*, That we have heard with unfeigned regret of the failing health of Comrade Gen. U. S. Grant; that it is the earnest hope and prayer of the comrades of the Post, that our dear old Commander may be spared to us for yet many years of honor and usefulness, and we extend to him and his our earnest assurances of sympathy and affection.—J. D. Miles, Commander; Jno. A. MacMurphy, Adjutant.——George Wheat, Wells: Officers of Post No. 79: Commander, Geo. Wheat; S. V. C., John McCallamor; J. V. C., L. S. Wells; Surg., Joseph Graves; Chap., N. R. Brown; O. D., Charles Stowe; O. G., Charles Spooner; Q. M., Al. Thornton; Q. M. S., John Coval; S. M., S. S. Wells; Adj't, J. Horn.——"L. O. W.," Swanton: Officers of Post No. 199: Commander, L. O. Westcott; S. V. C., Samuel Miller; J. V. C., Corwin Shepherd; Adj't, Henry Gasch; Surg., —— Bennet; Chap., D. Stewart; Q. M., George Stoley; O. D., J. Waymire; O. G., H. Waymire.

CALIFORNIA.—Officers of W. R. Cornman Post, No. 57, San Bernardino: Commander, T. C. Kendall; S. V. C., W. H. Wright; J. V. C., G. W. Rockefeller; Chap., J. D. Potter; Surg., E. A. Smith; Adj't, T. H. Palmer; Q. M., J. J. Whitney; O. D., Ward E. Clark; O. G., H. J. Allison; S. M., G. S. Pierce; Q. M. S., W. B. Garner.

ILLINOIS.—James W. Brown, Shumway: Yates Post, No. 88, is in a prosperous condition and steadily adding new recruits.

IOWA.—Anton Weinschenk, Bellevue: Officers of Iuka Post, No. 131: Commander, Anton Weinschenk; S. V. C., Patrick Prandy; J. V. C., J. William Bell; Q. M., M. Altfelisch; Adj't, Robert E. Coulehan; Surg., Lawence Miller; O. D., George Young; Chap., G. W. McHendrie; O. G., Howard Bennett; Q. M. S., Fulbert Snider; S. M., Thomas Prandy; Sentinel, Pat. Harmon.

KANSAS.—W. C. Lindsey, Arkansas City: Officers of Post No. 158: Commander, Allen Mowry; S. V. C., P. A. Dorry; J. V. C., Perly Davis; Q. M., G. W. Miller; Surg., C. G. Thompson; O. D., H. D. Kellog; O. G., J. Cook; Adj't, W. C. Lindsey; Q. M. S., —— Bishop; S. M., A. B. Sankey; Chap., Rev. Lundy.——Will H. Widmer, Douglass: At the recent installation of officers of Post No. 97, of this place, the ladies of our little city got up a most excellent supper, from which they netted about $52, which they very generously donated to the relief fund of the Post.

KENTUCKY.—Samuel J. Parsons, Burtonville: Officers of Post No. 22: Commander, Samuel J. Parsons; S. V. C., L. C. Brown; J. V. C., Jackson Brown; Chap., John T. Dodd; Treas., Jesse Ruggles; O. D., Wm. Applegate; O. G., George Dale; Adj't, Jacob Eckart.

MAINE.—Charles Keizer Post, No. 133, was recently organized at Waldoboro, with 25 charter members and the following officers: Commander, Samuel L. Miller; S. V. C., James H. Stanwood; J. V. C., Elijah S. Levensaler; Adj't, Wm. H. Levensaler; Q. M., George W. Young; Surg., Francis M. Everleth; Chap., Thomas R. Hogue; O. D., John W. Palmer; O. G., David H. Kimball; S. M., George G. Benner; Q. M. S., Frank A. Hutchins.——Cyrus G. Marr, Cornish: Officers of Thompson Post, No. 85: Commander, Oscar H. Thompson; S. V. C., A. R. Sanborn; J. V. C., L. C. Cross; Q. M., Cyrus G. Marr; Adj't, John McPease; Surg., Wm. H. Nevens; Chap., Eben Storer; O. D., John F. Rand; O. G., Daniel F. French; S. M., John Bradley; Q. M. S., John Linscoth.

MICHIGAN.—W. B. Mead, Marshall: C. Colegrove Post, No. 166, held its first Camp-fire April 13, which added $35 to the relief fund of the Post. The feature of the evening was the recitation of an original poem by Rev. D. E. Millard, which we regret we have not room to publish.

NEW YORK.—Thomas Hewitt, Newburg: Officers of Ellis Post, No. 52: Commander, Leander Clark; S. V. C., B. G. Wilkison; J. V. C., James H. Huise; Q. M., Thos. Hewitt; Adj't, Ed. Venderweker; Surg., R. V. K. Montfort; Chap., Wm. H. Knapp; O. D., William Reid; O. G., M. O'Dell; Q. M. S., Wm. H. Flint; S. M., John C. Coventrey.——W. P. Wild, Brooklyn: Rankin Post, No. 10, is getting along finely, and has now a membership of 258, with recruits still coming in. The calls upon our relief fund during the past Winter have been many and heavy, but have always been answered, and no comrade, widow, or orphan has been allowed to suffer if we could prevent it. Our purse string is always open to the needy and destitute ones of our Nation. Our Post recently received a visit from the ladies auxiliary, and was presented with a handsome Bible. We have also in connection with our Post a drum corps of 35 members, composed of sons of veterans.

OHIO.—J. L. Ortman, Dublin: Cicero Davis Post, No. 514, was organized April 11 with 21 charter members and the following officers: Commander, William H. Davis; S. V. C., E. R. Fogle; J. V. C., Frank Chapman; Chap., E. S. Hutchinson; Q. M., Jasper Smith; Surg., Henry Carr; Adj't, H. Judson.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Capt. John E. Walker Post, No. 287, Waynesboro, has adopted resolutions sympathizing with Gen. Grant.——Wm. B. Mays Post, No. 220, Franklin, has adopted resolutions of a like nature.

WEST VIRGINIA.—Jas. H. Swarts, Clarksburg: Custer Post, No. 8, has adopted resolutions sympathizing with Gen. Grant in his affliction.

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RELIEF CORPS NEWS.

Gleanings from National Headquarters--Notes from the Departments.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS
TOLEDO, O.
KATE B. SHERWOOD, National President.
EMMA D. SIBLEY, National Secretary.

TOLEDO, O., April 14, 1885.

In the rush and whirl of a busy life there is no time for idle wishing. Each day has its sum of duty added to duty, multiplied sometimes by sore perplexities and unforeseen discouragements; but subtract from the grand total of this seeming work-a-day existence, the heart and soul application of the true man or woman, and there is a result which, despite the unfinished tasks that nightly haunt the weary brain, the mathematician, Time, forever credits in an unknown quantity.

In our work the long problem that stretches, column after column, before the new, inexperienced officer sometimes is but feebly appreciated, while to others it is intricate in its reckonings—almost beyond solution. As the year advances, and day after day, week after week, and finally months of steady, ceaseless, but withal loving, happy labor contributes its share toward the growth and prosperity of our Order, how many have not seen the columns of duties lose their frightful proportions,—the answers literally prove themselves,—and while instinctively, knowing that it is better to place its future calculations in new hands, drop the pen that has guided it for a time toward a creditable result, with a peculiar, inexplicable sadness.

Your correspondent is this time tempted toward this train of thought by the rapidly approaching close of the present National administration, as evidenced by the arrangements being perfected at Headquarters.

The third annual Convention is no longer an event solely to be anticipated, but rather of the near future, making urgent demands on the wisdom and good judgment of the executive officers, that the work may not only be surrendered to the succeeding officers in acceptable shape, but that the Convention itself may prove a source of great benefit to the Order and of memorable pleasure to all who participate.

In furtherance of this object, it is the purpose of our National President to communicate through General Orders all instructions possible as regards the preliminary work of Departments, the form of procedure in case of appeals or recommendations, reports to be submitted, and later, the entertainment of delegates, transportation, etc., etc.

Reports for the first quarter are due on the 15th of this month. Connecticut, with the

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that characterizes all the works of the Department, is the first to make report for this quarter, and it is most gratifying to note that not the slightest error exists. Nine Corps are reported, with a total membership of 503 in good standing; $81.12 has been expended in charity, with $1,344.59 of relief fund, and $510.82 general fund on hand. Thirteen soldiers or soldiers' families, and 12 members' families have been assisted. The Department is clear of debt, and never a report of strife or dissension has reached the ears of the National officers. Considering the youth of the Department, can any one show a better record than the little "Nutmeg State"?

PROSPECTS IN KENTUCKY

are very materially brightened by the recent very warm encouragement from Col. E. A. H. Beyland, Past Department Commander, as contained in a letter to National Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Frances T. Russell, of Zanesville, O., who has the District of Kentucky and Tennessee under her special charge. Col. Beyland pledged himself in true soldier fashion to promote the interests of the W.R.C. among the "blue hills" all within his power.

At the Department Convention he spoke for about 10 minutes on the merits of the Order, warmly lauding the "lady comrades and their actions in war and in peace, as accessory to our patriotic institution." A resolution was then passed, upon motion of Col. Beyland (the same adopted unanimously), recommending Post Commanders throughout the Department to foster and help the building up of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The third Kentucky Corps will soon be organized at Maysville, charter having just been granted, officers elected, and the Corps only awaiting muster. With such an officer as Mrs. Russell to direct the work, combined with the efforts of the popular Past Department Commander, we may hope for a fully formed Department to be represented at the Portland Convention.

STILL GOING FORWARD.

But two applications for charters have been sent out direct from National Headquarters during the week, viz., to Comrade W. E. Atkins, Commander, Jos. F. Trotter Post, Mt. Washington, O., and Mrs. W. H. Kibbury, (through recommendation of Comrade John E. LaBarnes, of Forsyth Post, Toledo,) Abingdon, Ill.

Mrs. Jennie B. Atwood, Provisional President, Department of New Jersey, furnishes a charming report of the entertainment recently given by Maj. Woerner Corps of Hoboken. The affair was termed a masquerade reception, and was in every respect a magnificent success. A happy feature was the presentation by the Corps Guard, Mrs. Burlingame, of a handsome silk flag for the altar, placed in the hands of the President in trust for the Corps.

New Jersey is making flattering progress with the clear head and warm heart of the Provisional President, Mrs. Atwood, assisted by a most able staff of Department officers, to guide and direct its affairs. A permanent Department is a certainty.

OUR RELIEF-HELPERS.

Commander John C. Nichols, New London, Conn., sends an additional contribution of $1.60 to help our needy ones, of which $1 comes from Comrade H. Kruger, Head Steward, U. S. A., Fort Trumbull, for Mother Bickerdyke, whom he knew during the war, and of whom he well says: "The Government ought to do something for her, too; she deserves it. Her services were of the highest order."

MORE OF OUR LOYAL WOMEN.

DEAR TRIBUNE: I am so glad that simply as a loyal woman I can claim an interest in the Woman's Relief Corps. I, fortunately, am of that very interesting class whose loyalty was known by earnest zeal and tender acts, rather than by the deeds of even so grand a proxy as the "brave boy in blue." I had no near relatives in the army, none living that could go; but I have many, many tokens of gratitude and remembrance from various regiments, Posts and Corps that I prize as highly as an old veteran does his scars.

Another humane and judicious enactment of the Woman's Relief Corps has been to make a step towards the provisions for some remunerative memorial to the women workers of field and hospital. Surely these kind and tender and sometimes superhuman efforts should not go unrewarded. I have one of these gentle heroes in my mind at the present writing whose name will not be strange to thousands of your readers, and to whose unremitting care and zealous patriotism many a noble man was enabled to return to duty again, or meet his waiting friends restored to health. I refer to Mother Leebreck, of Quincy, Ill. She must be nearly 80 years of age now, and still enjoys quite good health and activity.—Mrs. M. M. Burnap, La Mar, Mo.

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Department Gleanings.

LOYAL WOMEN OF NORTHWEST PENNSYLVANIA.

DEAR TRIBUNE: The last of a series of socials given by Strong Vincent Relief Corps, No. 8, was another grand and unique success, for which the loyal women of our little city on the banks of Lake Erie have become justly famous. The first part consisted of music, both vocal and instrumental, followed by an address delivered by Mrs. J. M. Reavley, Department Inspector and Secretary of our Corps. The address explained the working of the Order, and also was a plea for the admission of all loyal women of the land to our Order. Although this has become a law of the Order, the plea was timely, as our Corps is, comparatively speaking, still in its infancy, being less than a year old, and these remarks were intended not only to acquaint the public with the aims of our association, but also to give it a better understanding of the fact that we do not close our doors to "loyal women" who happen not to be the mother, wife, sister, or daughter of a veteran. The remarks were closed by the poem "The Regiment's Return." From the strict attention given and the applause at the close, the large audience seemed fully to understand and appreciate the remarks, which were rendered in the usual happy manner of our esteemed Secretary, and with a pathos and feeling which caused many an eye to grow dim with tears and many a heart to beat with emotion.

Following came vocal music, a dialog, called "The Blue and the Gray," by the sons of Mrs. J. P. Thompson, J. V.-P., Department of Pennsylvania, and a recitation by Mrs. J. Williams, rendered in a most happy manner, and with the original brogue of the Emerald Isle, which was received with shouts of laughter and long applause. Next came more music and recitations by Miss Lugenbeel, daughter of the worthy Chaplain of this Corps, and others. This closed the first or modern part of the entertainment. Then came the

SCHOOL OF 50 YEARS AGO,

as illustrated in "The Last Day of the Term in an Old-Fashioned Country School." Mrs. Keene (schoolmarm) ascended the stage, and immediately after the ringing of the bell shouts were heard and a throng of children (?) of both sexes crowded to the stage. Their parts were taken by the members of the Corps and comrades, and all were dressed in the style of children of 50 years ago. To describe their actions in detail would take the pen of a professional writer and humorist; I therefore refrain. I would only say that the antics of "Katrina Krout," "Susan Sawdust," "Obed Hartshorn," and others, kept the audience in continued good humor. Recitations, singing, and examination by the quaint old trustee and his lady, the missdeeds of the "dunce boy" on the blackboard, and other pranks of the innocents were acted naturally, and elicited shouts of merriment from the audience. The vocal rendering of "The Singing School" by the quartet, consisting of Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Lytle, Mr. Davis and Mr. Buehling, were splendidly executed. The entertainment closed by the singing of "Home, Sweet Home."

Unbounded praise is due Mrs. Hubbel, the chairman of the entertainment committee, as well as to Mrs. Keene, whose characterization was true to life. At this entertainment the ladies tried the experiment of doing away with refreshments, believing they could fill the hall without. Their expectations were more than realized, and a handsome sum has been added to the relief fund. The ladies appreciate the aid rendered by all, and particularly the services of the fine orchestra.

So much has been said from week to week in the dear old TRIBUNE of other Corps, that I thought I would let you know that we up here are working too. We have 118 members, all hard workers for the cause. I am the wife of a veteran of the old 6th Md., Second Brigade, Third Division, Sixth Corps, and I am always anxiously looking for Friday, which brings me THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, the best soldier's paper in the land, and the best friend of the widows and orphans of the loyal soldiers.—Mary Boltze, Past J. V.-P., Strong Vincent Corps, Erie, Pa.

DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK.

Mrs. M. E. Denison, Department Inspector, has withdrawn from Sumner Corps, No. 3, the Presidency being tendered to her from Mrs. President Vinton and members of Veteran, No. 25, New York City, auxiliary to Post No. 436. An installation took place April 14 of the new officers, the same evening that the new Commander was installed, at Dixon's Hall.

On March 30, Wadsworth Relief Corps, No. 43, auxiliary to Wadsworth Post, No. 77, G.A.R., was instituted and the officers installed by Mrs. M. E. Denison, Department Inspector, assisted by President Newell, of No. 5; De Mott, of No. 37, and ladies of No. 3, all of whom thoroughly understand their work. The Installing Officer performed her duties in a creditable manner. Mrs. M. J. Williamson, the President of the Corps, who was first President of Sumner Corps, No. 3, presented the Installing Officer, in behalf of the Corps, a magnificent basket of fresh cut flowers, and Comrade Gardiner, in behalf of the Post, presented Mrs. Williamson, the new-elected President, for the Corps, one of the most unique and exquisite ballot boxes manufactured, the President responding. Comrade Gardiner, in an appropriate speech to the Corps, then presented two gavels, one to the President and one to Senior-Vice Conklin, from Comrade Walsh. Recitations by Miss and Master Porter were quite enjoyable. Nearly all the comrades of the Post were present, besides members from sister Corps. Commander Rogers was seated on the platform. A bountiful collation was spread and all enjoyed the evening, leaving their good wishes for the success of Wadsworth Corps, No. 43.

Mrs. Department President Nichols installed Lew Benedict Corps, No. 44, auxiliary to Post No. 45, at Albany, March 30. She has been spending some days in New York on Department business.

DEPARTMENT OF OHIO.

Mrs. Frances T. Russell, Chief Instituting and Installing Officer for Ohio, instituted a Corps at Cambridge, O., April 15, with installation in the evening, well attended by the comrades. The following officers were installed: President, Mrs. Sarah Hanna; S. V.-P., Mrs. Mary E. Adamson; J. V.-P., Mrs. Sophia D. Moreland; Sec., Mrs. Lulu A. Dunifer; Treas., Mrs. Sophia J. Wallace; Chap., Mrs. Mary Moorehead; C., Mrs. Sarah E. Jackson; G., Miss Myrta Scott.

Mrs. Department President Lottie L. Myers has prepared a printed form for the returns of Instituting and Installing Officers, upon the organization of Corps, which will greatly facilitate the work of Department officers. As by vote of Department Convention charters are closed with date of institution, full and correct lists of charter members can thus speedily be secured, the members giving their full names when they sign the constitution.

Appomattox Day was celebrated in fine style by the veterans of Cleveland, O. Department Commander Brown was present and made a stirring address, and the Woman's Relief Corps was ably represented by Mrs. Department President Lottie L. Myers and Department Secretary Sarah E. Battels. Col. Brown referred to the work done by the G.A.R. for all old soldiers, and especially in securing pension legislation. It was the duty of all old soldiers, he said, to assist each other,—to overlook each other's faults with true soldierly charity. In closing he paid a splendid tribute to the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. Mary H. Kennedy, Recording Secretary of Kansas City Woman's Christian Association, is a valued member of the Relief Corps ranks of that flourishing city.

Department Commander Brown is thus worthily complimented in General Order, No. 2: "