THE GRAND ARMY.

News From the Departments---New Posts, etc.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

CALIFORNIA.—

Dan Bidwell Post, 149, Norwalk, gave a Campfire and beanbake on Oct. 16. A choice melange of vocal and instrumental music, recitations and tableaux was given. The Arcadia Quartet, Fulton Welch's Glee Club, Prof. Holgate's orchestra and the Veteran Drum Corps of Los Angeles furnished the musical numbers of the program. Gen. W. A. Rollins, Asst. H. A. Pierce, the inimitable Tom Barnes, Comrade Laycock, Comrade Lewis, Comrade Hall, and others contributed their part to make the fun last, and the supper was furnished by the W.R.C. A dance followed the entertainment.

ILLINOIS.—

Winfield Scott Post, 445, Chicago, enjoyed a meeting of usual glee-ousness and cordialeness results. The Inspecting Officer, Capt. Vargas, of Lyon Post, were present, and after a thorough inspection reported the Post as up to the standard. Capt. Donahue and others of Lyon Post were present, and had kind and encouraging words to say. Past Commander Col. A. C. Higgins was called for, as a matter of course. After a few remarks he introduced his brother, Maj. D. W. Higgins, Post Commander of an Ohio Post. At the close of the exercises refreshments were served.

KENTUCKY.—

The following Posts have been mustered and reorganized: Seventh-ninth Encampment: L. H. Rousseau, Louisville, consecutive number 190, number taken 10; Thomas Jackson, Carlisle, consecutive 191, taken 15; Maxwell, Sacramento, consecutive 192, taken 17; O. F. Johnson, Rosiville, consecutive 193, taken, 18; Bloom Tudor, Drip Rock Postoffice consecutive 194, taken 24; Lieut. Sorrance, Grab Orchard, consecutive 195, taken 26; Henry Princeton, consecutive 196, taken 29; Fremont, Midway, consecutive 197, taken 32; with two reinstated, viz. Gregory, 121, Mayfield, and Samuel Begley, 402, Hayden.

MARYLAND.—

Custer Post, 6, of Baltimore, will hold its annual Pound Party on Oct. 27. On Oct. 13 there were five comrades mustered. The Post is increasing in its membership under the present Commander.

MINNESOTA.—

J. S. Cady Post, 2, of Anoka, recently passed resolutions urging that the National Encampment at Washington should not be held earlier than Oct. 1. In explanation of this a comrade of Anoka writes: "The comrades here feel almost unanimously in favor of going to the National Encampment, but are afraid that the Eastern States are desirous of holding it earlier in the season, when it would be impossible for us to go, owing to the press of work and the hot weather."

George N. Morgan Post, of Minneapolis, held an open meeting Oct. 9. Among those present were Department Commander Parker and Adj't-Gen. Brigham. The program consisted of a vocal selection by a quartet; address by Department Commander C. D. Parker; vocal solo by Miss Lena Miller; address by Junior Vice-Department Commander John Day Smith; vocal duet by Misses Lena and Rose Miller; address by Comrade Robert Stratton; zither solo by Miss Pauline Kruger; vocal solo by Miss Ida Wall; solo by Miss Lillie Luebner, and remarks by visiting comrades.

Jacob Schaefer Post, of Minneapolis, was given the right of the line at the celebration of the first Deutsch-Amerikanischer Tag Oct. 6 and entertained many German comrades who visited the city on that occasion.

MISSOURI.—

A most enjoyable three days' Reunion was held by the Osage District, G.A.R., at Green Ridge. The meeting was held in a beautiful grove. On the first day Campfires were held and tales of the war told. On the evening of the second day a dress parade was held, followed by a mock skirmish. On the third day there were several speeches by prominent comrades. J. A. Capen recited two poems, "The Soldier's Son" (dedicated to the Sons of Veterans) and "The Charge on Vicksburg," which were heartily applauded. The following officers were elected: Com., B. F. Abbott; S. V. C., H. Boeschen; J. V. C., George Tryen; Q. M., Dr. Keeler.

PENNSYLVANIA.—

Gen. E. D. Baker Post, 8, mustered five recruits Oct. 1. The Post is doing well in recruiting. The Washington Committee of the Post has already upward of 60 nurses enrolled. A large number of the comrades of this Post went to Reading with Encampment 20, Union Veteran Legion, The Campfire of Gen. E. D. Baker Post, Philadelphia, the other night, was an old-fashioned Grand Army gathering, where invited friends mingled with the veterans. The program of the evening was well planned, and was a success. The selections were fine, and included variety.

Post 2, Philadelphia, will celebrate the 25 anniversary of its organization in the Post hall, Thirteenth and Spring Garden streets, Thursday evening, Oct. 29.

Col. Fred. Taylor Post, 19, Philadelphia, gave a complimentary silver birthday entertainment to the comrades' ladies and other friends on Monday evening, Oct. 19. The Anniversary Committee consisted of Commander Patterson, Past Commanders Levering, Knorr, and Hammer, and Comrade A. Brown.

Courtland Saunders Post, 21, West Philadelphia, has already engaged the Wyoming Silver Cornet Band for their Washington trip next Summer. The Post expects to turn out at least 100 uniformed comrades in the grand parade. Commander Singleton has appointed the following comrades upon the Excursion Committee: Chairman, Wm. Penn Brown; Sec., James I. Wilson; Treas., John M. D. Hartley. Comrades McMahin and Hartley are determined to give the comrades and friends some lively Campfires this season. The three beautiful silk flags—National, State, and Post colors—recently acquired were the gifts of three West Philadelphia citizen friends of the Post.

Capt. Walter S. Newhall Post, 7, will hold a fair in American Mechanics Hall, Fourth and George streets, Philadelphia, in November, to continue for three weeks. Walter S. Newhall Corps, 144, will assist the Post in making the enterprise a success.

There is now scarcely a Post in Philadelphia that has not a committee appointed and actively engaged in the work of making arrangements for the excursion to Washington, D. C., next Summer, during Grand Army Encampment week. Bands of music and hotels have in many cases already been secured. Philadelphia comrades will make a grand display in that parade.

Lee Post, 5, Camden, is doing some active recruiting, and a large number of new names are being added to the muster-rolls. Many of the new names were former members of the disbanded Post at Marlston. The Post is in visiting humor, and recently took an excursion to Smithville, in Burlington, where the citizens received them in magnificent style, providing a fine dinner for them. Other such trips are in contemplation. Among the first of them will be fraternal visits to the Posts at Woodbury and Swedesboro.

Col. Fred Taylor Post, 19, Philadelphia, was organized in Philadelphia in October, 1866, and the application for charter was forwarded to the proper officials in Washington, but proper attention was not paid to it and it was delayed until after the first National Encampment had been held in Indiana, when a new official was appointed and the application was returned from Washington unacted upon. In the meantime other Posts had been instituted, and Col. Fred Taylor Post was compelled to accept the number 19. Of the original or charter members, three—Comrades W. J. Canning, Harry Rulon and J. Dudley Worman—are still members of the Post.

FROM THE BAY STATE.

What is Going on Among the Veterans of that Section.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I ask pardon of the committee having in charge arrangements for the next National Encampment for what I am about to offer, but the veterans are already talking about it and will talk about it more and more every year until it is abandoned. I allude to the practice of furnishing liquors for the banquet provided for delegates at the close of the Encampment. It is a practice which positively hasn't one argument to recommend it and has many to condemn it. No matter how fine the post-prandial program prepared for the occasion is, it is invariably marred by the infirmity which too much champagne and sherry is sure to produce. This is allowing the good name of the Order, however well intended it may be. The Encampment of this Department closes annually with a banquet in Faneuil Hall, where coffee and water are the only beverages dispensed. Everybody has a splendid time and goes home with a bad taste in his mouth. I sincerely believe that our host at Washington can confer no greater favor on the Order at large, or one that the veterans, both wet and dry, would more cordially indorse, than the doing away with liquid refreshments at the closing banquet. I hope the Committee on Entertainment will pardon this seeming breach of propriety. It is well intended.

"It's bad enough to be 50 years old without being twitted of it and having it advertised to the world." Such was the remark made by Capt. John G. B. Adams, recently the efficient and popular Sergeant-at-Arms of the State Legislature, when his assistant, Maj. Chas. G. Davis, in behalf of his associates in the Department, presented the Captain with an elegant silver service of six pieces on his 50th birthday. Capt. Adams, though surprised, never flinched, and feelingly responded to this valuable mark of the esteem in which he is held by the veterans under his charge.

In the canvass for State officers, which is now waxing warm in this State, old soldiers are noting that the Democrats have not a single veteran nominated on their ticket, while the Republicans have three, viz: Col. Wm. M. Olin, for Secretary of State; Col. George A. Marden, for Treasurer, and Gen. John W. Kimball for Auditor, all soldiers of exceedingly good record, all proved unquestioned integrity, who should and will be elected.

Department President A. A. Wales, W.R.C., and Senior Vice Department President Davis recently visited, by invitation, Robert O. Tyler Corps, No. 6, Hartford, Conn., to witness an exemplification of the work of the Order. They were very cordially received and pleasantly entertained, and returned highly pleased with what they saw. As official head of the largest Department of the Order President Wales receives more pressing invitations to accept courtesies from Corps and Posts, or to serve them officially than there are days in which to respond; notably so at this season of the year, when Posts and their auxiliaries are devising ways and means of all sorts to raise money. She is giving generously of her time and strength in responding to these demands.

At the recent silver anniversary of Post 1, New Bedford, Past Department Commander Austin S. Cushman read a historical sketch of the Post. A. A.-Gen. Hubert O. Moore and Ins. W. A. Wetherbee were present as representatives of Headquarters, and made appropriate speeches. The occasion was public and the attendance large.

At the 26th annual Reunion of the 1st Mass. Cav. the 28th, the history of the regiment will, it is expected, be ready to be distributed. It will be a fine affair, containing, as it will, 315 portraits and pictures. For particulars in regard to the Reunion or the history members of the regiment should address Maj. Charles G. Davis, State House, Boston.

Past Commander-in-Chief Veazey made a pleasant call at Department Headquarters Oct. 8.

Post 290, Boston, held a Campfire the 12th; Post 187, Dalton, the 21st; Post 34, Salem, open a fair Nov. 9; Post 22, Milford, open one Nov. 10; Post 176 and Corps 49 open a fair the 26th. Inspector Wetherbee has been detailed by the Department Commander to represent him on that occasion.

An informal meeting of a few veterans interested in the formation of a Command of the Union Veteran Legion was held in Boston a few evenings since.

Post 68, of Dorchester, Edmund F. Snow, commanding, celebrated its 23d anniversary in the Post Hall on the evening of the 13th, having an attendance of 100 members and many guests. In the absence of the official representative of the Department, the Commander read a letter of regret from Department Commander Smith, and then called up Past Department Commander Billings to speak for the Order. He was followed by State Senator West, Past Department Commander Evans, Chairman Carruth, of the Board of Aldermen; Past Commander Charles D. Miles, S. V. Commander Chas. W. Bartlett, of Post 15; Commander C. D. Hendrickson, of Post 191; D. L. Weymouth, of Post 68; Jere Wakefield, of Post 290; J. Walter Bradlee, of Post 262; Samuel Brown, of Post 68, and others. The Post is in excellent condition, and now numbers over 300 members.—B., Boston.

SONS OF VETERANS.

News from the Various Divisions—Election of Officers, etc.

ILLINOIS.

Andrew J. Guilford Camp, 362, Chicago, have completed arrangements for their first entertainment and ball, to be held Thursday evening, Oct. 29, at Columbia Hall, Honore and Van Buren streets; given for the benefit of their arm and equipment fund.

KENTUCKY.

Department Commander S. G. Hills, of the G.A.R., indorses the Sons of Veterans most warmly. He calls them "our boys," and desires the comrades to give their hearty support to Col. Fred Singleton. In a recent General Order he says: "Although the General Order is somewhat lengthy, we cannot close without again pressing the claims of the Sons of Veterans, 'Our Boys,' a splendid and patriotic Order in which we as comrades have the deepest interest. For when a few more short years shall have come and gone the Commander's gavel will be lying still on his desk, no hand eligible to wield it; the Adjutant's seat and desk be vacant; the 'minutes' no longer kept, the hand that guided the pen for the purpose still in death. The Post hall, where comrades true so often met to exchange kind greetings and enjoy a veteran 'shake,' will then be mournfully silent, for they together with the brave boy who was shot down on the battle line or starved to the prison pen will be sleeping beneath the sod and the eyes that now see never will again behold those sad, sad scenes so many of us witnessed in the carnage of battle or the dismal prison, but will awake to behold the glorious sunlight of an eternal day and the face of Him who died for all. The serious question is: 'Who will take care of our records and souvenirs dear, and perpetuate and defend the great principles for which we struggled, and 'maintain our flag unsullied?' There is but one answer, comrades—'Our Boys!' Then see to it, Post Commanders, that a Camp is at once organized. Give Col. Singleton your hearty co-operation, comrades."

MASSACHUSETTS.

George T. Magee, Quincy: Francis L. Souther Camp, 27, held a rousing Campfire Oct. 8 at Hancock Hall. The boys intended to have a long parade, but this had to be shortened on account of a severe storm. Some 200 of the young vets faced the storm, however, and demonstrated the fact that they were chips of the old block. Returning to the hall they were entertained with some enthusiastic speech-making by members of the Grand Army present and by several of the Division officers, among whom were Col. W. A. Stevens, Malden; Col. George F. Knowlton, Boston; Inspector Charles D. Rooney, Winchester, and Assistant Inspectors Cushman, of Brighton, and Lincoln, of Hingham. Capt. A. E. Bowker presided, and Comade O'Donovan, of Camp 36, was Toastmaster. The music was furnished between the speeches by the City Band. At the close of the post-prandial exercises a collation was partaken of and T. D's. tigkted, after which the boys amused themselves by singing and telling stories until a late hour. Representatives were present from Camps 4, 88, 80, 17, 72, 36, 56, 114, 106, 50, 96, 54, and 89.

MINNESOTA.

Col. Sheire is proud of the part his Division took in the late Encampment at Minneapolis. In a General Order he thanks the members of the Minnesota delegation to the Commandery-in-Chief for the faithful and able manner in which they discharged their duties; the members of the drill squad of St. Paul Camp, 1, for their work in becoming so proficient in drill; the members of Gen. N. Morgan Camp, 4, and L. P. Plummer Camp, 9, for their entertaining so well the army of enthusiastic Sons of Veterans, "and to all and every one of the members of the Minnesota Division who attended the Encampment." The Maltese Cross," he adds, "made a good showing and the Colonel is proud of it."

NEW JERSEY.

A Court-Martial was appointed to meet in Elizabeth on July 14, 1891, for the trial of P. C. Louis Vollmer, for violation of parts 1, 2, 4 and 5 of Sec. 1, Art. VI, Chapter V., C. R. and R. The Court met and found the accused guilty, and sentenced him to be fined $2. The sentence has been approved by the Colonel, and Capt. C. C. Tucker has carried it into effect.

The following have been dropped, having been previously suspended:

Camp 3, Frank O. Oliver, E. A. Moore; Camp 5, rejected, Grove Kennard and William Kennard; Camp 8, W. W. Shoelgard, C. E. Shoelgard, J. W. Bawman; Camp 16, George W. Reese was rejected for membership; Camp 21, Clarence Johnson, James Cox, Joe Musick, Charles Tucker, John-son Bennett, Ford Jones, W. H. Pickins, Joseph Fielding, Frank Scott, R. D. Fleet, William Wiser; Camp 29, William Bousenbary, Howard Gordon, J. W. Swick, Geo. Sine, Devit McLain, Charles Apgar; Camp 30, Geo. Meeker, Jamesdyrnes W. P. Jolins, Charles Farrell, M. J. Coughlin; Camp 37, Simeon E. Babcock, A. G. Pittinger.

REUNIONS.

Annual Meetings of Regimental and Other Organizations.

ILLINOIS.

Fifty-five members of the 25th Ill. met in the G.A.R. Hall at Tuscola Oct. 8. Col. Taggart was in the chair. The officers elected for the next year are: Pres., W. Taggart, Tuscola; V.-P., L. L. Parke, Hugo; Sec. and Treas., H. W. Sudsens, Sadorus. The meeting for 1892 will be held at Newman, Oct. 6. The Secretary wants to hear from every member of the regiment, for the purpose of making up a roster.

Dr. J. Little, Secretary, Bloomington: Reunion Illinois State Association of Union Ex-Prisoners of War at Farmer City Oct. 21 and 22. A large attendance, with a pleasant and profitable time, are confidently expected. The comrades and citizens of Farmer City will welcome heartily and entertain royally. Reduced railroad and hotel rates will be secured. Get a certificate of the railroad agent when you buy your ticket, and at junctions where you change cars, if you have not a through ticket. There will be good speeches and music, and Campfires and other interesting exercises. Distinguished comrades will meet with us.

The Yates Phalanx (39th Ill.) held its 11th annual Reunion at Joliet Oct. 8, 131 comrades being in attendance. Gen. T. O. Osborne, their old commander, who has been in Buenos Ayres, South America, for the past 20 years, was with them, and a joyful time they had. Their next Reunion will be at Wilmington, Oct. 8, 1892.

The Reunion of the 27th Ill. at St. Louis was a grand success, there being present about 70 members. Gen. Vil Quain, the former regimental commander, was present all during the Reunion, and Maj.-Gen. A. J. Smith was at a Campfire held Wednesday at 10 o'clock. The next meeting will be held at Litchfield, time to be fixed by the officers. Officers re-elected: Pres., T. R. Hancock; V.-P., Comrade Kesser, Litchfield; Treas., S. R. Stout, Vandalia; Cor. Sec., Wm. E. Smith, Alton; Sec., Wm. Burchfield, Neoga.

INDIANA.

The 14th Ind. battery held a Reunion at Wabash Oct. 7. There were present 30 members. They had a jolly good time telling stories and singing songs. They adjourned to meet in the same place next year. John B. Tyer was elected President, and W. H. Stephenson, Wabash, Secretary. It is requested that all 14th Ind. battery boys correspond and help fill the list, so that there may be completed a roster of the company.

The 50th annual Reunion of the 23d Ind. battery was held at Fort Wayne, Oct. 1. The forenoon was spent in hand-shaking and talking of incidents of soldier life. The afternoon was passed in some able and interesting addresses and the election of officers, which resulted as follows: Pres., W. H. Ringwalt; V.-P., Geo. Hollinger; Sec. and Treas., W. W. Corbett, Hall's Corners. Fort Wayne was chosen for the place in which to hold the next Reunion, Oct. 7, 1892.

KANSAS.

The Interstate Reunion of old soldiers at Kansas City recently was a big one. It held for a week, and was one continuous season of hearty good fellowship as the thousands of old comrades met from Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, and Nebraska, and fought over again the battles of 30 years ago. Hon. H. B. Campbell stirred the boys up with a masterly address. Every day there were numerous prominent speakers, and the yells of delight and frequent applause showed that the boys who followed Sherman, Grant, Sheridan, and Logan were having the old pictures of war reproduced by the impressive words of these eloquent and brilliant speakers.

KENTUCKY.

At a meeting of the surviving members of the 5th Ky. Cav., held at Flippin, it was resolved by the members present that an organization of this regiment be formed and be known as the Association of the Surviving Members of the 5th Ky. Cav. Whereupon John Wright, of Clementsville, Tenn., was elected President; A. N. Palmore, Rock Bridge, Ky., Aroan Moody, Sulphur Lick, Ky., and C. W. Hammer, Mesback, Ky., Executive Committee; J. E. Palmore, of Rock Bridge, Ky., Secretary; W. T. Owsley, Glasgow, Ky., Corresponding Secretary; H. H. Decker, Gamaliel, Ky., Treasurer. The Secretary desires the addresses of all comrades.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The 5th Mass. battery held its 21st annual Reunion at Young's Hotel, Boston, on the 7th inst. Through the kindness of Capt. Nathan Appleton each member was presented with a picture of Capt. Charles A. Phillips, the old commander of the battery. There was present as a guest Comrade Thomas S. Benson, of the 20th Me., who bore the flag of the First Division (the old red Maltese Cross), Fifth Corps, from the Wilderness to Appomattox Courthouse. Officers elected: Pres., Wm. A. Waugh; V.-P.'s, H. E. Shaw and E. T. Wilson; Treas., T. E. Chase; Sec., Geo. L. Newton. It was voted to hold the next Reunion in New Bedford.

E. A. Smith, Secretary, 7 Oakland avenue, Somerville: Reunion 1st Mass. Cav. at the armory of National Lancers, Boston, Oct. 28. Notify Secretary not later than the 24th.

The 25th Mass. held its 26th annual Reunion at Worcester Oct. 15, 200 members being present. These officers were elected: Pres., Josiah Pickett; V.-P.'s, E. P. Brown, Samuel H. Putnam, Christian Gloss, L. G. McKnight, Lyman Leighton; Chap., J. G. Spaulding; Sec. and Treas., Charles W. Putnam.

MISSOURI.

Henry Oeters, Labodie, wants to know when and where the 106th Ohio will reune.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

John W. Startevant, Secretary, Keene: Reunion Co. G, 14th N. H., at National Encampment, with excursions to all the battlefields and objects of interest, including Gettysburg, Poolesville, Harper's Ferry, Winchester, Cedar Creek, etc. Roster now ready. Communicate immediately with the Secretary.

NEW JERSEY.—

At the meeting of the 1st N. J. Cav. at Trenton there were elected: Pres., Wm. H. Embery; V.-P's., Jacob Griger, Wm. Joules, Arthur Hoover, S. McGowen, G. B. Malsbury, R. Lawrence, J. O. Dunn, A. Vorhees, L. M. Slate, A. L. McKinney, L. P. Post, C. F. Croschmire; Sec., Wm. Lambert; Chap., R. Lawrence; Sergeant-at-Arms, J. E. Lindley. After the meeting dinner was served at the American House; 71 were present, including ladies. Speeches were made by a number of the comrades.

A. Norman, Passaic: The survivors of the 24 N. Y. Cav. (Harris Light) are earnestly requested to meet at G.A.R. Hall, near Erie Depot, Passaic, Oct. 22, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of forming a permanent organization to keep alive the memories and perpetuate the deeds of this heroic cavalry regiment. It is hoped that those who can will attend, and after perfecting the same decide whether we will meet in Washington, D. C., in August, 1892, at the time of the meeting of the National Encampment, which a number of members who are too far from here to attend are looking forward to. As our intention is only to meet and organize, it is hoped that each member will appear in civilian dress, the only distinction asked for being the red scarf or tie worn by us on the grand review in 1865.

NEW YORK.

The 108th N. Y. had an enjoyable trip to Gettysburg and Antietam recently, in company with the 139th N. Y. Almost every year Secretary Washburn, of the 108th, is the recipient of some remembrance from his comrades. This year it was a heavy gold Masonic ring with diamond setting. These officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., William H. Raymond, Canandaigua; V.-P., Charles Reiff, Rochester; Sec., George H. Washburn, Rochester; Treas., Alfred Elwood, Rochester; Chap., Rev. Thomas G. Grassie, Milwaukee, Wis.; Sergeant-at-Arms, Florendine Fessel, East Henrietta.

The 77th N. Y. held its 19th Stillson Spa. The officers of the permanent association of the survivors are: Pres., W. B. French; V.-P., H. C. Rowland; Treas., C. D. Thurber; Sec., E. H. Fuller; all of Saratoga Springs.

The 155d N. Y. met at Greenfield, 200 persons being present. They were entertained at Greenfield Center by the remaining members of Co. H, composed of about eight or 10 men. Upon their arrival at Kingston Station they were conveyed in carriages to Greenfield Center, where everything was in readiness for the occasion. An enthusiastic meeting was held. They then marched to the Baptist Church, headed by the West Milton band. Here they elected Capt. Fitch President of the association, and Mr. Harris as Secretary. Comrade Allen was made Treasurer. Every company was represented. An excellent dinner was served by the ladies of Greenfield.

Hubert W. Mealing, 22 Everett avenue, Sing Sing: Reunion 1st N. Y. Eng. at Newark, N. J., Oct. 21.

OHIO.

At a meeting of the 18th Ohio at Athens Oct. 8, the following members were appointed a committee to ascertain the present residence and postoffice addresses of the members of their respective companies, and report the same to A. J. Learned, Sergeant-Major, Millfield, O.: Joshua R. Wischard, A. C.; George W. Wilson, Co. B; A. J. Learned, Co. C; William A. Young, Co. D; Geo. W. Kearns, Co. E; John G. Carter, Co. F; Chas. A. Cable, Co. G; Robert S. King, Co. H; C. C. Cherrington, Co. I; J. C. McElroy, Co. K. The object is to prepare by next annual Reunion a complete roster of the survivors of the regiment. The 18th Ohio was organized at Athens in August and September, 1861, for three years or the war, and fifty days, and was mustered out Oct. 9, 1865. The total enrollment was 2,100. Of this number six officers and 92 enlisted men were killed in battle, and two officers and 140 enlisted men died of disease, etc., 13 of them in rebel prisons; a total of 240, more than 11 per cent. At least 90 per cent. of the deaths from all causes were of the men who composed the regiment at its first organization, making more than 23 per cent. At the battle of Stone River out of a total of less than 500 present for duty, there were seven officers and 200 men killed and wounded, two out of every five. Every comrade will please assist in the work of completing the roster by promptly sending his address to the undersigned or any company. If any further information is desired by the comrades, please correspond with A. J. Learned, Millfield, O.

A grand Reunion was held by the 41st Ohio boys at Wakeman. There were 80 present, some with their families. Gen. A. Wiley made a grand speech. The following were elected officers: Pres., W. S. Miller; V.-P., J. R. Cressinger; Sec. and Treas., W. R. Sanville, 128 Water street, Cleveland. Comrades, if you have not subscribed for a history of the regiment by Gen. E. S. Holloway, send your subscription at once to him at Columbiana, O., as only enough will be published for those who have subscribed. Price $2.50, to be paid for when published next year, but you may as well send the money to get a copy. It will be a large volume of 350 to 400 pages, printed on fine heavy paper in plain type, and bound in cloth with leather back and corners. If you change your address at any time, don't fail to notify the Secretary.

Pursuant to call by M. R. Peters, President, the 83th Ohio Veterans' Association reunited in Memorial Hall "Soldiers' Home," Dayton, Ohio, on Sept. 9. The occasion was a very pleasant one, quite a large number of the boys of the regiment being present, and spent the day in handshaking and living over days long gone by. The following officers were elected: Pres., M. H. Peters; V.-P., Lieut. Saucer; Sec., J. H. Patterson, Bluffton; Treas., Henry Hildebrand.

S. A. McNeil, Secretary, Richwood: The Reunion of the 31st Ohio in 1892 will take place at Shawnee in September, instead of Granville, as announced.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The ninth annual Reunion of the 76th Pa. (Keystone Zouaves) was held in the U. V. L. Hall, Pittsburg, Oct. 1. The meeting was called to order by the President, Capt. Alf. Hicks, who, after a brief address, declared the meeting open for business. The regular form of business followed. Capt. Hicks was re-elected President, and L. W. Johnston Secretary and Treasurer for the ensuing year. The date fixed for the next Reunion was the second Tuesday in October, to be held at Pittsburg. The meeting then adjourned to Seventh Avenue Hotel, where a magnificent banquet was served. After dinner the vets reassembled at the hall, and several hours were pleasantly passed "talking it over."

The Rush Lancers, of Philadelphia, had an exceedingly windy day for their trip to Gettysburg. Immediately after breakfast they drove over the first day's field, and from thence to Culp's Hill and the National Cemetery. In the afternoon they visited the Federal left, Round Top, Wheatfield, and the Devil's Den. At the old monument that was erected by the private subscriptions of the members of the regiment the party was photographed. The State Memorial, standing at Meade's headquarters, was also inspected. The officers of the association are: Pres., Gen. Charles L. Leyper; V.-P., George D. Whitcombe; Sec., A. S. Patton; Treas., Wm. J. Kramer.

W. A. Granflo, Allentown: I want the addresses of all comrades of the 128th Pa. who are not on my roster. There are only a few, but it is desirous to make a complete roster.

The Reunion of the 14th Pa. Cav. at Lafayette Hall, Pittsburg, Oct. 7, was a royal affair; 128 survivors answered at roll-call. The vets organized as an association and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Col., Col. James M. Schoonmaker, Pittsburg; Lieut.-Col., Lewis W. Moore, Philadelphia; First Maj., Thomas McCoy, Pittsburg; Second Maj., H. R. Breneman, Pittsburg; Third Maj., David H. Conter, Apollo; Chap., Rev. Jesse F. Core, Wilkinsburg. Col. Schoonmaker, the old commander of the 14th Pa. Cav., was royally cheered by the old vets, who responded in a pleasant address. The veterans then proceeded to the dining-room, where a dinner of pork and beans was prepared, after which they proceeded to the Pittsburg Exposition. At 6 p. m. a banquet fit for the gods was served, and at 7:30 the survivors held a Campfire, where spirited addresses, recitations and songs were rendered. That the old vets enjoyed themselves can be surmised by their unanimous vote to hold the next Reunion at the same place Oct. 8.

Cupid on the Fly.

[Atlanta Constitution.]

The joke on the Georgia rural Justice of the Peace has gained that worthy personage a National reputation. But the latest and best story in this line comes fresh from a Georgia County:

A runaway couple, pursued by an angry father, rushed into the bedroom of a sleeping Justice and demanded an immediate marriage.

Arrayed in a flowing gown of white, the startled Justice leaped from his couch and, seeing a woman present, as quickly leaped behind the bed.

"What do you want?" he thundered, peering wildly over the headboard.

"Want to get married!" shouted the man. "Take her and go, and God help you!" cried the Justice.

And the nuptial knot was tied.

A Reminiscence.

[Chicago Tribune.]

Smart Youth (to rustic old party on opposite side of street car)—You seem to be looking at me pretty close, Uncle. Do I remind you of somebody you used to know?

Rustic Old Party—Yes. You remind me of an aunt of mine in Pennsylvania. Only she's got a leetle more beard than you've got!

RELIEF CORPS NEWS.

Gleanings from National Headquarters---Notes from the Departments.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS W.R.C.,
DELAVAN, ILL.

SUE PIKE SANDERS, National President.
ELLA REEL COREAN, National Secretary.

To specially aid and assist the Grand Army of the Republic and to perpetuate the memory of their heroic dead.

To assist such Union veterans as need our help and protection, and to extend needful aid to their widows and orphans; to find them homes and employment, and assure them of sympathy and friends; to cherish and emulate the deeds of our Army Nurses, and of all loyal women who rendered loving service to their country in her hour of peril.

To inculcate lessons of patriotism and love of country among our children and in the communities in which we live; to maintain true allegiance to the United States of America; to discountenance whatever tends to weaken loyalty and to encourage the spread of universal liberty and equal rights to all.

Women of good moral character and correct deportment, who have not given aid and comfort to the enemies of the Union, who would perpetuate the principles to which this association stands pledged, and who have attained the age of 16 years, shall be eligible to membership in the Woman's Relief Corps.

OUR NATIONAL CHAPLAIN:

Clara Barton Installed in Royal Style.

Clara Barton, President of the American Branch of the Red Cross Association, having been elected National Chaplain of the W.R.C. by ninth National Convention, after her departure for the Pacific Slope, her installation was deferred until Oct. 2, when she was installed by Past National President Elizabeth D'Arcy Kinne at a brilliant reception tendered her at the Occidental Hotel, San Francisco. Besides representatives of the Relief Corps and veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, there was present a full attendance of uniformed officers of the United States Army stationed at San Francisco, in recognition of Clara Barton's relation to the Regular Army by virtue of her office as President of the Red Cross Association.

Gertrude Gallagher, California's faithful correspondent, who forwards an account, refers to the happy coincidence which associates Clara Barton's initiation as a life honorary member of the W.R.C. in 1886, and her installation as National Chaplain in 1891, with San Francisco and Lincoln Corps. In this connection it is interesting to turn to pages 125 and 129, Proceedings of Fourth National Convention, as follows:

INITIATION OF CLARA BARTON.

Mrs. B. J. Russell, Department President of California, stated that there were many who desired to be initiated during the Convention. Objection raised by National Senior Vice-President Mrs. Kinne and Mrs. S. A. Parker, Department President of Massachusetts. The National President, Mrs. Fuller, ruled: "This can only be done by vote of Convention; but I would state that an important communication, or request, has been received from the Grand Army of the Republic, asking that a lady whom they all venerate and whom they all delight to honor—a lady who was as familiar to them during the war as their mothers—Miss Clara Barton, be made a member of our Order at this Convention, and I await your action in this matter."

Mrs. E. Florence Barker, Past National President, moved that we waive the regular order of business, and presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the fourth National Convention, W.R.C., invite Miss Clara Barton, the veteran war nurse of Washington, D. C., to honor us by becoming a member of our Order, not alone for her service as a nurse, but in behalf of the mothers, wives, and daughters of those who died in Southern prisons, where their only knowledge of their dear ones was secured by Clara Barton, who delayed not for the smoke of battle to roll away before seeking the prisons and obtaining the complete list of those who died within its walls, now on file in the War Department.

She said: "I hope we will extend every courtesy in our power to this woman, who has been honored by the crowned heads of other countries, and to whom every comrade in the G.A.R. bows his head; and who, though not knowing any of us, but through her faith in women, stood by our side when we were trying to organize at Denver. I therefore move that Miss Barton be made a member of our Order at this Convention."

Mrs. Annie Wittenmyer, National Chaplain: "It was my privilege to know Miss Barton during the war. Her case was a peculiar one, and I take pleasure in seconding the nomination."

Motion carried.

FREEDOM OF THE RELIEF CORPS CONFERRED.

The National President, Mrs. Fuller, announced that the initiation of Miss Clara Barton was the first business in order. The President of Lincoln Corps, San Francisco, Mrs. Sayres, and her staff, occupied the respective chairs, and conducted the services, Miss Barton being initiated in the usual form. Mrs. Sherwood, Past National President, explained the objects of the Red Cross Association, and alluded to the iron cross of Germany conferred upon Miss Barton for distinguished services in the Franco-Prussian war, stating that Miss Barton was the only woman who had been thus honored. Mrs. Sherwood desired that Convention should secure an appropriate badge for its newly-initiated member. Moved by Mrs. Wittenmyer that the National Convention suspend Rules and Regulations, and that a badge of a National Officer be presented Miss Clara Barton, to which shall be suspended a red cross by a yellow silk ribbon.

Motion carried unanimously by a rising vote.

Moved by Mrs. Sherwood that a committee of three be appointed to prepare a distinctive badge of honor for Miss Barton, her name to be engraved across the bar, in place of the word "President," and the red cross suspended from the bar. Mrs. Sherwood stated further that it was intended that the freedom of National Conventions, Departments, and Corps be extended Miss Barton.

Voted, on motion of Mrs. E. Florence Barker, Past National President, that the committee have full power. The Chair appointed Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood, Mrs. E. Florence Barker, and Mrs. Elizabeth D'A. Kinne a committee to procure the badge.—Proceedings Fourth National Convention, pages 125-129.

OUR NEW NATIONAL CHAPLAIN.

As instructed by fourth National Convention, the committee proceeded to act at once, and invested Clara Barton with a badge of pure California gold, properly inscribed and embellished with diamonds. At ninth National Convention the honor intended was reiterated, and a certificate of honorary membership ordered the recipient. Later she was made National Chaplain by a rising vote. The installation account follows:

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., October, 1891.

DEAR TRIBUNE: Lincoln Relief Corps, No. 3, San Francisco, tendered a reception to Clara Barton, National Chaplain, W.R.C., and President Red Cross Association, on the evening of Oct. 2, in the parlors of the Occidental Hotel. The occasion was rendered more interesting by the ceremony of installation, Elizabeth D'A. Kinne, Past National President, being detailed by National President Saunders to install the distinguished guest as National Chaplain, to which office she was elected at ninth National Convention. That Clara Barton should be installed in her solemn office in this city of San Francisco, and under the auspices of Lincoln Corps, seemed singularly fortunate, since it was here she was initiated by fourth National Convention in 1886, and made a life honorary member of the National Association, invested with a badge of a Past National officer.

The rooms were beautifully decorated with flags, and a band stationed in the hall provided sweet music. Above the distinguished guest was the satin banner of Lincoln Corps, and lovely flowers were heaped in profusion before her. At her side stood Past National President Kinne, Mary E. Anderton, President of Lincoln Corps; Mrs. Lemmon, T. C. Mastellar, Assistant Adjutant-General; Judge A. J. Buckles, Past Department Commander; Col. W. R. Smedberg and Dr. Hobbell, of the Red Cross Association. For almost two hours a stream of ladies and gentlemen poured past, anxious to pay respects to a woman whose fame is world-wide. Following the civilians came military organizations in full uniform, the Veteran Guards, Fair Oaks Camp, Sons of Veterans, Loyal Legion, Lincoln Post, and representatives of other Posts, and Gen. Diamond, N. G. C., and staff.

In response to Clara Barton, Col. Smedberg made a graceful speech, in which he reviewed her philanthropic career. The ceremony of installation was then performed by Past National President Kinne in her usual dignified manner, on the conclusion of which the band struck up the "Red, White and Blue." The response of the National Chaplain to the honor conferred upon her was simple and heartfelt. She spoke of the exceptional honor accorded her upon the Pacific Coast on her first visit in 1886, of making her an honorary member of the W.R.C., with the honors of a Past National officer, and bestowing upon her the beautiful badge, which she holds as one of the choicest gifts and honors of her life. To the comrades of the G.A.R. she said:

"Soldiers, I turn to you as an inspiration, and I welcome your presence here to-night as you have welcomed mine. Thirty years ago you donned your uniforms and shouldered the knapsack and musket or buckled on the sword in defense of a land imperiled and a Nation in the throes of dissolution. You were young, full of vigor and patriotism, and with the sturdy step of the youthful warrior you marched to the rescue and to victory. A Nation saved was your reward. Under the sweep of your arms old institutions faded