THE GRAND ARMY.

What is Being Done by the Veterans for the Good of the Order.

[Owing to the lack of space available for such a purpose, only a limited number of Post elections can be printed each week, each one taking its place in order of receipt. Hundreds of these are sent to us every year, but no discrimination is made in favor of any as against the others. Comrades are requested to send brief accounts of special Post doings, and for publication in this column, and Adjutants of Posts will greatly oblige by mailing new Post and Department Rosters as they are issued, for reference.]

HEADQUARTERS BULLETIN.

Commander-in-Chief Adams Will Visit Washington Soon.

The Commander-in-Chief has decided upon the following order of his official visits, and will make them on the date given below. He will go to Maine, and be present at the Encampment of that Department, to be held at Augusta on Feb. 6, after which he will return to Massachusetts, to be present at the Encampment of the Department at Boston, Feb. 8. He then expects to go to Concord, N. H., and meet with the Department Encampment. From there he will go to New York, to attend the banquet to be given by Lafayette Post of that city. After leaving New York he will visit Washington, D. C., with his staff, and will probably be present at the Encampment of the Department of the Potomac on Feb. 19. From here he will go to Baltimore, where a Campfire will be held in his honor by the Posts of that city. As the Encampment of the Maryland Department comes at the same time as the New York one, the Commander-in-Chief will be unable to attend it, as he has accepted an invitation given by Department Commander Cleary, of New York, to be present at their Encampment, where great preparations have been made in honor of him and his staff.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

CONNECTICUT.—

Lombard Post, 24, Greenwich—Com., S. J. Davis; S. V. C., Thos. A. Haight; J. V. C., Wm. H. Bailey; Surg., Orville A. Sawyer; Q. M., Ben Wright; Adj't, Joshua Lyon; O. D., R. F. Nicola; Chap., Thos. P. Hunt; O. G., Isaac L. Mead; S. M., Silas E. Meade; Q. M. S., Norvil Green.

ILLINOIS.—

Dwight Post, 626, Dwight—Com., C. W. Ayling; S. V. C., Wm. Constantine; J. V. C., Henry Spellman; Q. M., Jas. Williams; Chap., M. McLane; O. D., Henry Fox; O. G., Martin Seabert; Surg., Martin Reinhart.

INDIANA.—

Morton Post, 1, Terre Haute—Com., Lawrence Burget; S. V. C., George Long; J. V. C., W. B. McElvaine; Chap., Henry Winters; Adj't, James W. Haley; Q. M., Carl Krietenstein; Surg., Dr. Mason; O. D., Peter Zarger; O. G., Andrew Hill; S. M., James H. Mullen; Q. M. S., David Denny; Trustee, James F. Nosler.

IOWA.—

C. H. Miller, Adjutant, Post 216, Cresco, warns all comrades of one S. J. Henderson, private, Co. F, 46th Iowa, purporting to be a member of Memorial Post, 216, and states that said S. J. Henderson was dishonorably discharged from Memorial Post Feb. 28, 1891.

T. Z. Cook Post, 235, Cedar Rapids—Com., Frank G. Clark; S. V. C., E. J. C. Bealer; J. V. C., W. A. Wallace; Q. M., R. M. Garrison; Chap., J. S. McDaniel; Surg., G. R. Skinner; Adj't, H. D. Olds; O. D., J. M. Haines; O. G., G. A. Haight; S. M., H. S. Gates; Q. M. S., J. A. Hildebrand.

KENTUCKY.—

James West Post, 171, Berea—Com., A. J. Hanson; S. V. C., E. R. Ward; J. V. C., N. B. Chastine; Q. M., L. C. Duncan; Surg., Alex. Moore; Chap., R. E. Baugh; O. D., M. Ramsey; O. G., J. M. Gabbert; Adj't, Wm. Robe; S. M., J. H. Gabbert; Q. M. S., G. W. Bogie.

MAINE.—

S. J. Oakes Post, 121, Old Town—Com., Olin B. Bridge; S. V. C., Justin B. Atkins; J. V. C., Chs. H. Harkell; Adj't, Eni S. Tozier; Q. M., Wilmot P. Jordan; Surg., Thos. O'Conner; O. D., Frank Pooler; O. G., L. Smith; S. M., H. G. Dresser; Q. M. S., O. E. W. Hinckly.

Daniel White Post, 19, Kenduskeag—Com., James F. Beath; S. V. C., Willard Whitney; J. V. C., E. B. Towle; Q. M., L. A. H. Stackpole; Adj't, John H. Everett; Surg., Albert Brown; Chap., H. B. Morey; O. D., Greenlief Harvey; O. G., Harrison F. Gould; S. M., M. L. Fisher; Q. M. S., Benj. Eddy.

MASSACHUSETTS.—

Reynolds Post, 589, East Weymouth—Com., Chas. W. Hastings; S. V. C., Geo. L. Newton; J. V. C., George F. Maynard; Adj't, John W. Bates; Q. M., Elbridge Nash; Surg., Wm. A. Drake; Chap., Radford Hawes; O. D., David Dunbar; O. G., Wm. H. Moran; S. M., Willard J. Dunbar; Q. M. S., Chas. E. Trott.

John A. Logan Post, 186, Cambridge, celebrated its seventh anniversary on Jan. 18. Among those present as guests were Gov. Greenhalge and Judge Advocate-General Edgar R. Champlin, of his staff; Commander-in-Chief John G. B. Adams, Department Commander Eli W. Hall, and Mayor Bancroft. About 200 members and ladies sat down to the banquet. Gov. Greenhalge was accorded a grand ovation, as were other guests in turn. After the feast had been partaken of the following toasts were happily responded to: "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts," by Gov. Greenhalge; "The Grand Army of the Republic," by Commander-in-Chief John G. B. Adams; "The Department of Massachusetts," by Department Commander Eli W. Hall; "The City of Cambridge," by Mayor W. A. Bancroft; "The Ladies," by Comrade J. Willard Brown; "Our Associate Members," by John Hopewell, jr.; "Our Post," by Commander A. L. Norris and Past Department Commander John D. Billings. Following the Post banquet Gov. Greenhalge held a reception at the residence of Judge Advocate-General Edgar R. Champlin, at which about 90 representative gentlemen were present.

Galen Orr Post, 181, Needham—Com., Geo. W. Colburn; S. V. C., Wm. Mosely; J. V. C., Joseph Smith; Chap., S. Hutchinson; Q. M., Wm. Horrocks; Surg., John Dann; O. D., Geo. Adams; O. G., E. P. Gurney; Adj't, O. R. Child; S. M., Wm. G. Hart; Q. M. S., A. E. Foss.

At a meeting of Washington Post, 32, Boston, a committee of five was appointed to arrange for the annual ball of the Post, which is to be held after Lent.

MICHIGAN.—

Phil McKernan Post, 53, Mason—Com., S. C. Parker; S. V. C., James H. Irish; J. V. C., Wm. Gregg; Adj't, W. J. Adams; Q. M., H. C. Freeland; Surg., S. W. Hammond; Chap., Enos Baldwin; O. D., Dayton P. Whiting; O. G., Thomas Bush; S. M., Joseph Jewett; Q. M. S., Harvey Acker.

MINNESOTA.—

E. T. Wood Post, 100, Long Prairie—Com., J. H. Cates; S. V. C., Fred Knarr; J. V. C., H. A. Catline; Surg., M. F. Canfield; Q. M., A. Rhoda; Chap., M. Rodman; O. D., M. Dinkle; O. G., H. Ellis; Adj't, Z. V. Booth.

NEW YORK.—

Henry Miller Post, 28, Brooklyn—Com., Fred Cohen; S. V. C., J. D. Schuller; J. V. C., James J. Lawlor; Surg., A. L. Cornish; Chap., R. W. Ferguson; O. D., Robert Carson; O. G., G. W. Hitchcock; Q. M., A. B. Greaves.

Barbara Frietchie Post, 11, Brooklyn—Com., Joseph N. Creamer; S. V. C., George Oakley; J. V. C., George W. Brown; Q. M., Walter S. Phillips; Surg., W. H. House; Chap., Robert Braid; Adj't, Stephen Wherity; O. G., A. Stulz. The annual inspection of the Post was made by Comrade Daly, of Post 26. There were addresses from prominent visitors, and a general good time followed.

George G. Pierce Post, 488, Castile—Com., H. T. Castle; S. V. C., E. D. H. Laird; J. V. C., H. N. Patterson; Q. M., W. H. Campbell; Chap., N. W. Pond; Surg., H. N. Willis; C. D., F. F. Thomas; O. G., George Belden; Adj't, A. B. Smith.

Luther M. Wheeler Post, 92, Saratoga Springs—Com., Edward H. Fuller; S. V. C., Henry J. Lee; J. V. C., Edgar Fosmire; Adj't, O. F. Lockwood; Q. M., F. M. Jones; Surg., H. A. Reed; Chap., R. S. Remington; O. D., W. F. Hall; O. G., S. K. Porter; S. M., E. B. Deuel; Q.-M. S., George Simpson.

Seward Post, 37, Auburn—Com., Frederic Cossum; S. V. C., John Stickles; J. V. C., J. E. Stephens; Adj't, William H. Yates; Q. M., George Ennis; Surg., W. H. Coe; O. D., Thos. Scott; O. G., Oscar White; Chap., M. S. Webster.

Gould Post, 75, Stoneham, celebrated its 25th anniversary on Jan. 22. The Commander, W. H. Marden, presided, and after a short address turned the meeting over to W. N. Tyler, who was Chairman when the Post was instituted. Speeches were made by Past Commander M. W. Messer, Commander Thompson, George F. Butterfield. During the evening George F. Butterfield presented the Post with four cannon.

Whittlesey Post, 350, Union—Com., Nelson Brooks; S. V. C., Aaron W. Gage; J. V. C., Harrison Zimmer; Surg., Peter T. White; Chap., Philip Twining; Q. M., Wm. R. Brooks; O. D., Morgin Heath; O. G., Wm. Guptill; Adj't, Jas. Howard.

B. Frank Maxson Post, 428, Alfred Center—Com., James W. Hoard; S. V. C., Wm. A. Rose; J. V. C., Samuel Whitford; Adj't, John Halahan; Q. M., John M. Mosher; Chap., James R. Crandall; Surg., Mark Sheppard, O. D., Joseph W. Marsh; O. G., John F. Langworthy.

OHIO.—

Post 385, Canal Fulton—Com., W. G. Myers; S. V. C., Lewis F. Becker; J. V. C., Samuel G. Ott; Adj't, J. B. Bissonette; Surg., Henry King; Chap., Frederick Buck; Q. M., S. M. Buckmaster; O. D., Daniel Harmon; O. G., Philip Yockey.

The members of J. M. Wells Post, 451, Columbus, have decided by unanimous vote to form an auxiliary corps of citizens, to be known as "Post No. 451 Associates," and to be governed by the following rules: The object of this association is to give patriotic citizens an opportunity of showing their sympathy with the Grand Army in its work of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, and of receiving from time to time the special courtesies of the Post. Any good citizen may become an associate, who shall make application on blanks prepared for the purpose, at a regular Post meeting, when a majority vote shall be necessary to the election of the applicant. The yearly associate fee shall be $5, the fee for the first year to accompany the application, and the fees for the subsequent years to be payable thereafter annually in advance. The life associate fee shall be $50, to accompany the application. All moneys received from associate fees shall be deposited as follows: Four-fifths to the relief fund of the Post and one-fifth in the Post fund. The money received from life associate fees, and deposited in the relief fund of the Post, shall be held as a special relief fund, from which an amount not exceeding 10 per cent. may be withdrawn for the benefit of the general relief fund, in January of each year. Each associate shall be entitled to the associate badge, which will be presented to him by the Commander; provided, however, that in case he ceases to be an associate, the badge be retured to the Quartermaster of the Post. Any associate may, by making written request to the Post, accompanied by the associate badge, be honorably dropped from the roll of the associates.

Royal Danhan Post, 177, Bedford—Com., J. C. Walton; S. V. C., J. D. Griest; J. V. C., A. M. Gordon; Chap., L. P. Whitaker; Surg., M. H. Barnum; Q. M., W. H. Deisman; O. D., A. W. Foll; O. G., Joseph Anderton.

William Rogers Post, 217, Sheffield—Com., H. L. Smith; S. V. C., C. W. Baldwin; J. V. C., Ome Clute; Adj't, M. L. Gillett; Chap., N. L. Fobes; Q. M., Jas. O. Dickson; Surg., George Burch; O. D., F. M. Hines; O. G., S. M. Shuart.

Newcomb Post, 564, Parkman—Com., Arthur S. Donaldson; S. V. C., David E. Taylor; J. V. C., John Minning; Chap., D. R. Travis; Q. M., F. T. Cook; Surg., J. B. Browning; O. D., T. F. Kergan; O. G., Levi H. Havens; Adj't, Samuel Irwin; S. M., L. A. Johnson; Q. M. S., F. Ferrington.

Toledo Post, Toledo—Com., Henry Tracy; S. V. C., Jos. A. Stipp; J. V. C., John H. Merrill; Q. M., Benjamin H. Griffin; Surg., S. S. Thorne; Chap., A. G. Jennings; O. D., Fred H. Wolfert; O. G., William Burge; Adj't, Edwin Goldsmith; Serg't, J. C. Prentiss.

PENNSYLVANIA.—

Capt. C. G. Jackson Post, 159, Berwick—Com., Edward Bretz; S. V. C., Eli Sherwood; J. V. C., Josiah Blank; Q. M., A. D. Seely; Adj't, J. P. Hayman; Surg., I. F. Chamberlain; Chap., Wm. Stiffnagle; O. D., D. W. Felbert; O. G., Wm. Elems; S. M., John Dodson; Q. M. S., Henry H. Martz.

Capt. E. J. Rice Post, 211, Factoryville—Com., E. C. Reynolds; S. V. C., W. M. Carpenter; J. V. C., J. B. Frinch; Surg., D. C. Stanton; O. D., W. J. Whitney; Q. M., S. M. Potter; Chap., J. C. Reynolds; O. G., Solomon Reynolds.

Owin Philips Post, Clifford—Com., G. R. Sanders; S. V. C., Geo. Hull; J. V. C., S. A. Halsted; Surg., Henry Race; Chap., D. B. Mott; Q. M., George Simpson; O. D., Wm. Barker; O. G., J. H. Hunter; Adj't, J. C. Decker.

At a recent meeting of Ed. Turk Post, Dayton, a resolution of condolence to Comrade Jacob H. Jamison, on the death of his wife was presented and passed.

Goodrich Post, 22, Danville—Com., Jos. L. Shannon; S. V. C., Samuel Morral; J. V. C., H. Klase; Q. M., A. C. Angle; Surg., R. H. Morris; Chap., M. Shires; O. D., G. Voris; O. G., B. B. Brown; Adj't, W. G. Kramer.

RHODE ISLAND.—

Tower Post, 17, Pawtucket—Com., Lewis J. Matterson; S. V. C., J. Frank Sibley; J. V. C., Wm. A. Beatty; Surg., Edward Hawes; Chap., Rev. J. J. Wolley; Q. M., John E. Davis; Adj't, Orris P. Huntley; O. D., Wm. Massey; O. G., John A. Brown; S. M., Charles F. Fisher; Q. M. S., George E. Young.

SOUTH DAKOTA.—

Resolutions were passed at a meeting of Iroquois Post, 89, Iroquois, Dec. 9, requesting its Senators and Representatives in Congress to do all in their power to have all claims now pending before the Commissioner of Pensions acted on before December 31, 1894.

TEXAS.—

W. H. Robinson, Commander, Ord Post, 3, San Antonio: As many comrades of the G.A.R. feel desirous that Comrade R. M. Moore, Past Commander of E. O. C. Ord Post, No. 3, should be our Department Commander for the ensuing year, I desire to give, briefly, his war history. Comrade Moore raised a regiment (the 117th Ill.); was elected and commissioned its Colonel, and served to the close of the war in command of the same. He refused to be recommended for a Brigadier-Generalship, preferring to remain with his old regiment. This command is referred to by Gen. Grant in his final report of the war, as one that never failed to execute to his entire satisfaction. This command saved Gen. Banks up Red River; drove Hood back from his line around Nashville, Dec. 15, 1864. He has flattering testimonials for some battles in which he was engaged. At Pleasant Hill, La., his command defeated Kirby Smith and Dick Taylor. At Tupelo, Miss., where Smith's command defeated S. D. Lee and Forrest, after they routed Gen. Sturgis. At Guntown R. M. Moore referred to him as winning honors only second to Gens. Smith and Mower.

UTAH.—

The Council of Administration have selected Thusday, Feb. 15, 1894, at 12 o'clock m., as the time for the convening of the 12th annual Encampment of this Department, at G.A.R. Hall, Salt Lake City.

On last Memorial Day the two Posts mustered over 100 comrades in the ranks, with several, who were crippled or were too feeble to march, in carriages. That noble body of women, the W.R.C., mustered nearly 100 members. The cadets from the Military Academy, the uniform ranks of the K. of P., the A. O. U. W., and other societies, took a prominent part in the ceremonies of the day. Over 1,000 persons marched in the procession. This year the Posts will do still better.

James B. McKean Post, 11, Salt Lake City—Com., Rudolph Aff; S. V. C., F. L. Cushing; J. V. C., Jas. Donnelly; Q. M., C. O. Farnsworth; Chap., T. C. Ieff; Surg., J. M. Holland; Adj't, W. H. Boule; O. D., J. F. Rankins; O. G., S. Epley.

The entertainment given at the installation of officers by John A. Logan Post recently, at Ogden, was the most notable event of the week. The rooms were crowded the entire evening, about 300 people being present. A fine program had been arranged, which was splendidly rendered, and heartily applauded all through. In the dining-room two long tables were laid, and here the visitors were regaled with a regular army supper of pork and beans, black coffee and hardtack, and it kept the young ladies and the old "vets" who waited on tables rustling to supply the wants of the diners. At the west end of the dining-room there was a ranged a picturesque scene; a genuine pup-tent, with two bunks made of blankets and pine boughs inside, while outside were the stacked arms and camp utensils, and the whole set down in a little grove of pine trees. The address of welcome was delivered by Gen. R. H. G. Minty. After the regular program and supper the guests repaired to the lodge-room, and spent the rest of the night and part of the morning in card games and social converse. Here, midst the Rocky Mountains, in the city of Ogden, Utah, are two Posts of the G.A.R.—John A. Logan, not quite one year old, and John A. Dix, the first Post organized in Ogden, with 13 members. At their first Memorial Day services there were but nine comrades in the procession to the cemetery.

VERMONT.—

Stannard Post, 2, Burlington—Com., Joel H. Holton; S. V. C., C. H. Cota; J. V. C., C. Van Stienburg; Adj't, Myron P. Scullin; Q. M., A. McGaffey; Chap., A. P. Waldron; Surg., Wm. B. Lund; O. D., George F. Wilkins; O. G., James Miles; S. M., Wm. Smith; Q. M. S., E. N. Peck; C. S., E. E. Snow.

WASHINGTON AND ALASKA.—

C. W. Kyle, Adjutant, C. M. Reed Post, 54, Orting, Wash., notifies all comrades that John K. Harrison has been suspended as a fraud and impostor.

WEST VIRGINIA.—

On January 17, 1894, Junior-Vice Department Commander R. H. Lee and Past Post Commander Robert McRae, both of St. Albans, W. Va., took C. & O. train to Sewell, W. Va., and organized and mustered Garfield Post, 124. The Post started with 25 charter members. The officers are: Com., Thomas A. Day; S. V. C., T. R. Smith; J. V. C., C. W. Blume; Surg., J. W. Stroub.

John H. Oley Post, 90, St. Albans—Com., R. H. Lee; S. V. C., E. E. Riley; J. V. C., R. W. Jones; Adj't, Robert T. McRae; Q. M., Jos. B. Halestine; Chap., Rob't Brooks; Surg., Rob't Brown; O. D., C. McCallister; O. G., H. C. Casdorph.

SONS OF VETERANS.

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

ALABAMA AND TENNESSEE.

W. W. Crudden, of George H. Thomas Camp, 1, Birmingham, Ala., has been appointed Inspector.

The committee having in charge the procuring of the prescribed gold cross of the Order for Past Col. Friedman is actively at work, and will soon announce, through Division Orders, the plan that is to be pursued. Capt. George P. Chandler, of Knoxville, Tenn., is Chairman of the committee.

H. L. Veasey, Division Commander, in Order 1, calls especial attention to "Union Defenders' Day," and expresses the hope that it will be more generally observed throughout the Division than it has been in the past.

INDIANA.

Blinn Camp, 82, Terre Haute—Capt., Fred. R. Corban; First Lieut., Wm. R. Terrell; Second Lieut., Ed. Adair; Chap., Walter Burton; First Serg't., Jerome W. Perry; Q. M. S., George W. Krietenstein; S. of G., Walter A. Haley; C. S., Charles F. De Vol; Principal Musician, Harry Lewis; C. of G., George Shoats; C. G., Otis Jarvis; P. G., Henry Haas.

The Division Commander, Albert C. Blaisdell, Boston, in Order 1 makes some remarks which are particularly fitting at this time, when so many of the brothers are out of work, and the tendency is for them to drop their membership in Camps on account of the expense. The Commander says: Captains of Camps for the current year are now entering upon the discharge of new duties, and are reminded to ever keep before them the obligation assumed at their installation and to act in accordance therewith. A personal examination of the books of the Camp should be made, and every effort tried to regain the members lost by suspension. See to it that no brother loses his interest, and that suspensions are made only when it becomes absolutely necessary and all other means fail. We do not mean by this that members should be carried who are in arrears, but that personal effort, personal solicitation, and a knowledge of the circumstances should be known before suspension takes place.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Benj. F. Butler Camp, 109, Needham—Capt., G. F. Gehling; First Lieut., A. L. Child; Second Lieut., Melvin C. Emery.

R. V. Young Camp, 20, New York—Capt., F. K. Maples; First Lieut., J. H. Bullwinkle; Second Lieut., A. H. Gray.

Robert T. Lincoln Camp 7, New York—Capt., J. Frank Southmayd; First Lieut., John Volkert; Second Lieut., Wm. Bevel.

Phil S. Sheridan Camp, 115, New York—Capt., Dr. George G. Van Mather; First Lieut., R. K. May; Second Lieut., F. O. Case.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Horace M. Lowry, Division Commander, Reading, in Division Order 1, says: Union Defenders' Day, Feb. 12, should not pass unnoticed by the Camps in the Pennsylvania Division. The 85th birthday anniversary of Abraham Lincoln should be to us "our day" as one of celebration. "Union Defenders' Day" should be made particularly appropriate by us, for when the great war President called for volunteers, Pennsylvania was the first State to have its soldiers in Washington in defense of the Capital. As our fathers were first in the front, so let us be equally zealous and sincere in observance of Union Defenders' Day, in perpetuating the memory not only of the martyred head of this Nation, but the deeds and history of the brave defenders of the Union. All Camps are urged to fitly celebrate the occasion with exercises appropriate to their circumstances and conditions. An open Campfire, patriotic services, and ceremonies of a like nature are recommended. Camps should at once appoint committees to arrange appropriate exercises and program.

The brothers of Speer Orr Camp, 14, Johnstown, are at work preparing for the coming Division Encampment, and the arrangements are on an extensive scale. Nothing will be left undone to make this one of the most successful as well as enthusiastic Encampments in the history of the Division. A feature of much gratification will be the unvailing of the monument to Past Commander-in-Chief Arnold, on June 8, and it is expected that 3,000 uniformed members will be in line on that occasion.

The Monument Commission expects to have Commander-in-Chief MacCabe and many other distinguished Commandery-in-Chief officers and staff members in attendance on that occasion, as well as all the Past Division Commanders and many other prominent members of Pennsylvania Division and other Divisions. The arrangements thus far completed by the Monument Commission include the unvailing of the monument with appropriate ceremonies, oration by Past Grand Division Commander R. M. J. Reed, and addresses by a number of others.

California Excursions.

The well known Phillips Excursion Company have arranged to run weekly excursions to all principal California and other Pacific Coast cities from all points on the Baltimore & Ohio R. R.

The parties will leave the East on Wednesday of each week, commencing January 17th, and passengers will be booked through to destination. There are no Pacific Coast tours offering as good accommodations at less expense. For full information address A. Phillips & Co., No. 111 S. 9th Street, Philadelphia, or call on nearest ticket agent, B. & O. R. R. Co.

A Terrible Weapon.

M. Turpin, the inventor of melinite, is naturally very reticent on the subject of the new engines of destruction which he has planned. He has assured a correspondent that it was not his intention to give any information about the formidable weapon to the public, as his secret is reserved for the Government. He did not, however, deny that some of what had already leaked out as to the nature and capabilities of the weapon was true.

According to these statements, M. Turpin goes so far as to say that the figures already given as to four discharges in a quarter of an hour, each belching 25,000 projectiles, only represents a minimum. He believes that his gun could, in fact, be brought to such a pitch of perfection as to enable those using it to sweep several army corps off a field of battle as by a gust of wind.

As to the principle on which the terrible weapon works, M. Turpin says it has an electric basis, and is of the utmost simplicity. His secret, as he emphatically reiterates when spoken to about the matter, will only be divulged to his own Government, and under certain conditions. These are, that a committee of officers should be appointed to try the experiments with him on a secluded headland on the Finisterre coast, with a cordon of troops round in order to keep back the inquisitive.

As to taking out a patent, he means to do nothing of the sort, as his secret might thus be communicated to a German, Englishman, Italian, or, as the inventor expresses it, an Armstrong quelconque. His melinite is now used in every country from Germany to Japan, and he does not want his gun to become in the same way the common property of nations.

A New Cure for Asthma.

Medical science at last reports a positive cure for asthma in the Kola plant, found on the Congo River, West Africa. So great is their faith in its wonderful curative powers, the Kola Importing Co., 1164 Broadway, New York, are sending out large trial cases of the Kola Compound free to all sufferers from asthma. Send your name and address on postal card, and they will send you a trial case by mail free.

THE RELIEF CORPS.

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

TEACHING PATRIOTISM.

Elementary Training in American Citizenship, and Information How the Relief Corps May Begin.

In numerous places, as has heretofore been noted, the Woman's Relief Corps has enlisted in the great work of teaching patriotism in our public schools.

The hoisting of flags over school buildings, the placing of flags within the school-rooms, and the effort to introduce systematic patriotic instruction into the daily school routine, are all a part of the present movement.

How shall we secure elementary instruction? is the question reaching us. And another is, What shall we do if our school authorities are indifferent to our appeals?

To the first question we would say, Address Comrade Wallace Foster, Indianapolis, Ind., for information. And, should you want printed matter bearing upon elementary training in American citizenship, address Col. George T. Balch, 33 East Twenty-second street, New York City.

Col. Balch has prepared "A Patriotic Primer for the Little Citizen"; "The Salutation of the Flag and the Use of the Ballot Concretely Taught"; "The Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776," with history and chart, which should be in every school-room, as well as every G.A.R. hall in the land; and "Teaching Patriotism in the Public Schools."

To the second question we would say, Do what you can with the school authorities, but do not wait for them. Get up Saturday afternoon "Schools of Patriotism" in your Corps-rooms; invite all the children who will come, the more the better; secure the services of the best instructor possible, in or out of the Corps; have music, marching, the flag salute, and a little elementary instruction, each afternoon; and, our word for it, you will be the means of giving more pleasure and profit to the children of the community than can be combined in any other way.

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.

Col. Balch, in a description of his historic chart of the Declaration of Independence, quotes William von Humboldt, the great German educator, who said that "whatever we wish to see introduced in the life of a nation must first be introduced in the life of the schools." In the course of his remarks he says:

The millions of children who have heretofore been educated in our schools, never had the great privilege of seeing the Declaration in its original form. For the first time, therefore, in the history of our Government, the youth of this Nation have the opportunity presented them, not only of seeing the great charter of our liberties, just as it was signed by the 56 representatives of the 13 colonies—who, as Benjamin Franklin remarked at the time, "would hang separately, if they did not hang together,"—but of having before them, on the same sheet, the veritable history of the venerable document.

When it is borne in mind that revolt against the Government of Great Britain was treason, and that in that day, as was proved by many cruel examples, the penalty of treason was confiscation of all worldly possessions, attainder of blood, hanging accompanied by beheading, disembowelling, cutting out the heart, and quartering the body of the traitor, in accordance with the savage penal code of a brutal age; we can better understand how deep is the significance of the language in which, in subscribing to the "Nation's title deed," those courageous representatives thereby "pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor," to the cause they had espoused.

With a knowledge of these facts, and with the sign manuals of those noble men ever before them, the vast army of our school children will appreciate, as they could in no other way, the words of the poet Whittier in his ode to Gov. Bartlett, one of the signers, in which he says:

In that great hour of destiny,
Which tried the souls of sturdiest stock;
Who knew the end alone must be
A free land or a traitor's block,

Amidst those picked and chosen men,
Than his, who here first drew his breath,
No firmer fingers held the pen,
That wrote for liberty or death.

Not for their hearths and homes alone,
But for the world, the deed was done;
On all the winds their thought has flown,
Through all the circuit of the sun.

TEACH VERMONT'S BOYS AND GIRLS.

We are glad to find the following in the last General Orders of Department President Jones, of Vermont, since with Vermont to hear is to heed: "Attention is called to National General Orders, No. 3, giving the decisions of the 11th National Convention. I especially ask you to notice Nos. 49, 50, and 51, relative to 'Teaching Patriotism in our Public Schools.' I hereby urge the Corps Presidents in this Department to carry out, in full, the instructions embodied in these decisions, and send to Headquarters reports of your plans and experiences. Teach Vermont's boys and girls the glory of their birthright—*loyalty to the flag.*"

CALIFORNIA'S CHEERFUL COMPLIANCE.

From General Orders, No. 6, of Department President Johnson, of California, we extract the following:

In cheerful compliance with Decision No. 50, promulgated in National General Orders, No. 3, Nov. 20, 1893, I hereby instruct each Corps President in this Department to appoint a committee of three influential ladies from her Corps membership, to petition the superintendents of and teachers in our schools to recommend and bring into use some form of patriotic salute to the American flag, as a part of the morning exercises in our public schools. The Department President recommends that these committees use their influence to have the salute prepared by Col. George T. Balch, Auditor of Public Instruction in New York City, introduced in the schools in this Department. This manual of patriotic salute will be forwarded to the chairman of each of these committees upon application to these Headquarters.

THESE ARE MY JEWELS.

The Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home Should Have the Historic World's Fair Group.

Visitors to the World's Fair who visited the Ohio Building will recall the group of statuary which stood on the lawn to the left of the grand portico, and which was unvailed with proper ceremonies early in the season.

This group represents "Ohio," a stately figure of heroic size, standing like Cornelia, mother of the Gracchi, with her civil and military heroes around her—Chase, Stanton, Garfield, Grant, Sherman, and Sheridan—saying, "These are my jewels."

Now that the great World's Fair is a thing of the past, a patriotic movement has begun in Ohio to place the Ohio group on the fine plat in front of the Administration Building of the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, Xenia, O.

There it would stand forever an object-lesson in patriotism, pure citizenship and immortal valor to the children of the great State which furnished great citizens and great soldiers, and one-tenth of all the men who bore arms in the old heroic days that saved the Union of States and placed the flag of National independence on the highest summits of fame.

At the last meeting the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home issued an appeal to the people of Ohio, fully setting forth the project and asking their assistance in securing needful legislation.

Veterans of the Grand Army and women of the Relief Corps who read THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE—and their name is legion—can render good service by soliciting the support of their Representatives in the Legislature in support of this measure.

The resolutions of the Board are to the effect that the original act, providing for the memorial design placed on the Ohio Building lot in the grounds of the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago, provides that "the said memorial design shall be removed to Columbus, O., and placed permanently in the rotunda of the Capitol," and said design is too heavy and cumbersome and dangerous to be so placed. The Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home appeals to the patriotic pride and nobler sentiments of the people of this State, as a conspicuous monument of the general redemption of their pledges made to the soldiers at the beginning of the war, the highest compliment Ohio can pay to her illustrious sons whose satuets ornament the pedestal of this memorial design is to place it where their memories will be perpetually invoked for the inspiration of her orphan children; therefore, the Legislature is respectfully requested to so modify said original act, either by amendment or by joint resolution, as will authorize and direct that said memorial design be transferred and removed to the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home.

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA.

DEAR TRIBUNE: Lincoln Corps, 3, San Francisco, had its usual happy installation with the Post, though the absence of Past National President Elizabeth D'Arcy Kinne, Installing Officer, detained by illness, was deeply regretted by all. Past President Lydia Wharff performed the duties gracefully.

The entertainment program included musical and literary numbers and dancing. Laura J. Robinson, the retiring President, gave a brief report of the work of the year. The Relief Committee had made 636 calls upon the sick and needy, and expended $510.20 in their behalf, besides distributing food and clothing to the amount of $302.40; leaving a balance in the treasury of $1,516.76. President Robinson was presented by Mrs. Clark, on behalf of the Corps, with a gold badge of the Order, suspended by a fine gold chain from a gold bar, from the center of which gleamed a beautiful diamond.

Lincoln Corps is one of the largest and wealthiest in the Department, and the Department officers are glad to testify they are not niggardly with their relief fund.

J. F. Reynolds Corps, 57, Santa Cruz, report a prosperous year; they gained 18 members and added over $200 to the relief fund. Expended for the sick and needy $196, and distributed about $10 worth of food and clothing.

Reynolds Post and Corps held joint installation, with entertainment program and banquet. The retiring President, Alice A. Newhall, was presented with a gold recognition pin by Flora L. Kaye, on behalf of the Corps. The Installing Officer and Conductor, Susie L. Harris and Carrie Scott, had their parts memorized, and were highly complimented by the Post.

Phil Sheridan Post and Corps, San Jose, installed their officers publicly. Past President Jessie Ensign, Installing Officer for the Corps, acquitted herself with grace and dignity. The Corps began their service with the opening ode, and closed with "America." A short patriotic program was followed with a banquet and dancing by the young people.

Rawlins Post and Corps held a joint installation to the delight of all. Past President Eliza Court installed the officers of the Corps. President Zillah Wood was presented with a gold badge on retiring from office. The entertainment features included music by a fine quartet, and one of the most eloquent speeches ever listened to in Stockton, by Master Wolf, the son of a Corps member, but a boy in years. Mollie Z. Eaton was installed President. A fine banquet followed the installation ceremonies.

John A. Dix Corps, 4, San Jose, has 149 members; gained 19 during the year, expended for relief $198.27, and given in food and clothing to the amount of $74. Post and Corps held a joint installation, with a fine program containing some unique features. Charles M. Shortridge, a rising young journalist, delivered the address of the evening. One of the numbers was a poem written by the sister of Comrade Lee, while he was lingering in Andersonville Prison, with no hope of getting out. His daughter, Elsie Lee, recited the poem. Comrade Martin sang a solo, the music his own composition. The Corps officers were installed by Past President Marion Wolcott; Augusta Reed, President.

HEADQUARTERS NOTES.

Department President Abbie E. Johnston has inspected 16 Corps and paid more than 30 fraternal visits to Corps.

Twenty-eight Corps are reported on the Honor Roll for correct reports for the quarter ending Dec. 31.

A list of 13 members lost by death, for the last quarter of 1893, appears in last General Orders.

Lincoln Corps, 3, made the highest record for money spent in relief last quarter; amount $284. Stanton, 16, disbursed $135, and Starr King, 10, $129.50.

California has contributed $10 to the National relief fund which National President Sarah C. Mink is attempting to found. There has been no separate National relief fund since, by vote of Convention, the department of relief was taken from the National Pension and Relief Committee and merged in the National Relief Corps Home fund. The National President should have general support in her effort to re-establish this fund, in order to reach isolated cases not coming under the provisions of the National Home fund.

The Department of California, by vote of Department Council, has contributed $10 to the Stephenson fund, and the Department President of Illinois, in acknowledging receipt, says California was the first to respond.

The California Council has voted to pay the expenses of sending out their quota of National journals, as recommended by National President Mink, in the interest of economy and the low state of National finances.

Sarah C. Borland, Department Corresponding Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS.

DEAR TRIBUNE: A delightful occasion was the joint installation of Dixon Corps, 218, and Dixon Post, 299, Department President Emma R. Wallace installing the officers of the Corps, assisted by Nellie Stitzel, who instituted the Corps. President Low appointed Carrie L. Singert Secretary.

Refreshments were served, after which comrades of Dixon Post highly extolled the W.R.C., and it was plain to be seen that the relations between Post and Corps were most cordial.

By far the finest address of the evening was that by Department President Wallace, who paid a well-deserved compliment to Dixon Corps for its efficiency, and at the same time mentioned it as one of the youngest and also one of the largest in the Department, having just 100 charter members.

She paid glowing tributes to the boys in blue. Her theme was "Loyalty," and when she had finished there was hardly a dry eye in the house.

Seth C. Earl Post and Corps, Ottawa, held joint installation and Corps installation, conducted by Sarah M. Combs, which moved like clockwork. The Corps presented a recognition-pin to President Combs, in recognition of her work the past year. The President read a paper full of encouraging statistics and information in W.R.C. work.

Wm. A. Webb Corps, 239, was instituted at Pertone by Sarah M. Bradford, Past Department President; Ella S. Baird, President; charter membership, 23, and applications coming in.

A. Lincoln Post and Corps, Chicago, held joint installation, Minnie M. Kyle, Past President, installing the officers of the Corps. Past Commander Stiles and Past President Means were each presented with beautiful badges of past officers in command. Past President Kyle was presented by the incoming officers with a seal writing portfolio, which seemed all the more appropriate as a gift to the Department Corresponding Secretary.

Department President