

THE GRAND ARMY.

Pennsylvania Sons Now Number Nearly Six Thousand Five Hundred.

The Sons of Veterans of Pennsylvania showed up in strong numbers at the Towanda Encampment. Never have there been more active workers and healthy camps.

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The successful candidate for Division Commander at the Annapolis Encampment was Past Captain Edward K. De Puy.

Col. De Puy's father, Schuyler F. De Puy, served in Co. K, 8th Minn., from August, 1862, until 1865, when he was mustered out.

Brother De Puy spent his boyhood days in Syracuse, N. Y. He was educated in the public schools and the Onondaga Academy.

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MOVE TO RENEW.

Buckeye W.R.C. Faces a Crisis and Sets an Example.

Important Action Which Other Departments May Follow—Some Things Done at the Chillicothe Encampment—Notes of the Order's Progress.

A very important movement was inaugurated in the Ohio Convention, W.R.C., which should receive favorable action at National Convention, in the interest of economy and reform.

There are many reforms which should be instituted through the action of the Grand Army in setting a worthy example.

The question, Shall the members of the Grand Army be admitted to honorary membership in the W.R.C.?

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EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: There is a cheery little old lady living at Clermontville, two and one-half miles from Point Pleasant, O., known to her friends and neighbors as Aunt Abby Clark.

Department Commander Caylor, of Indiana, in his address before the recent Indiana Encampment, G.A.R., referring to the effort now being made to secure a pension for the school histories as well as justice to the men who saved the Nation.

"The children who are taught to say: 'We give our heads and hearts to God and our country; one country, one language, one flag, will learn to love the flag as the emblem of liberty and power.'

ALL ABOUT THE LINE. Past Department President Kate E. Jones, of New York, has been elected Chairman of the Board of Management.

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