

—Col. Sam'l Cobb, with other parties, came up from Janesville Thursday night to help the boys organize a Post of the Grand Army of the Republic. The meeting was held in MaGee's hall. The following officers were elected and installed:

- J. R. West, Post Commander.
- S. J. Baker, Sen. Vice Commander.
- Jas. Gleaves, Jun. Vice Commander.
- W. F. Williams, Adjutant.
- C. B. Morse, Quartermaster.

Committees were appointed on hall and other matters relating to the organization. Meetings will be held bi-monthly after the organization is fully completed.

August 26, 1882, Evansville Review, p. 3, col. 3, Evansville, Wisconsin

A jolly delegation from W. H. Sargent Post No. 20 G. A. R., consisting of Comrades S. C. Cobb, T. T. Croft, E. G. Harlow, W. T. Brayton, Charles N. Riker, D. Conger, Charles A. Carter, M. Halverson, W. W. Willis, Al. Bintliff, J. B. Green, J. G. Wray, and Charles J. Fox, left in carriages yesterday afternoon for Evansville, and mustered in a grand Army Post of twenty-four members at that enterprising village, Major Cobb acting as mustering officer. They have about as many more that were prevented from coming in on account of the heavy rain. Comrade J. R. West was installed with his noble assistants. The Janesville Comrades were very royally entertained, as Evansville never does anything by halves and when the Evansville comrades visit Janesville they will receive a hearty welcome.—*Janesville Daily Gazette.*

September 2, 1882, Evansville Review, p. 4, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin

## Comrades! To the Front Again!

MILTON, Wis., April 24th, 1883.—The Annual Re-union of the the 13th Wis. Vet. Vol. Infantry will be held at Evansville, Rock Co., Wis., on Wednesday, June 6, 1883. Addresses are expected from Col. W. P. Lyon, Gov. Rusk, and others. In connection with the Re-union, F. S. Sutphen Post G. A. R., will hold a Grand Camp Fire and Barbecue. Every member of the Regiment is urged to be present, and a cordial invitation is extended to all Old Soldiers to join with us in renewing the associations and memories of the war. Every comrade receiving this notice is appointed a committee of one to extend this invitation and aid in promoting the success of the Re-union.

DR. C. M. SMITH, Ch'n.  
S. J. BAKER,  
DR. J. M. EVANS,  
CAPT. A. M. RANDALL,  
W. P. CLARKE, Sec'y.  
Re-union Committee.

April 14, 1883, Evansville Review, Evansville, Wisconsin

When GAR sponsored Reunion of the 13<sup>th</sup> Wis. REg. an estimated 4-5,000 people came to Evansville A dinner of pork & beans, hard tack and donuts was served. Parade to Evans' grove. Politicians.

See June 12, 1883, Enterprise

Our worthy post-master J. R. West, took his departure on Thursday morning last, to attend the grand National encampment of the g. A. R. at Denver, Col., as a delegate from T. L. Sutphen Post of this place, which opens today and closes on Saturday next. Comrades may look for a full report in this paper.

July 24, 1883, The Enterprise, p. 1, col. 6, Evansville, Wisconsin

Comrade Chas. Dean, of the Tack Factory, has the thanks of the g. A. R., of this place, for the present of a snare drum, which should certainly be dedicated to his memory.

August 21, 1883, Enterprise, p. 1, col. 4, Evansville, Wisconsin

The meeting of the G. A. R. on Friday evening, was a very pleasant affair and well attended. Com. West, as well as many others comrades, is taking great pains in fixing up and decorating the hall, making it very pleasant for social gatherings. We feel somewhat ashamed of our individual neglect, but an editor's time is all occupied if he attends to his business properly. Com. Taft, of Post No. 113, of Monticello, the last post organized in the state, was a welcome visitor. The Evansville Post is No. 41, and was organized nearly two years ago, making a gain in the state since its organization of seventy-two posts.

October 16, 1883, Enterprise, p. 1, col. 6, Evansville, Wisconsin

The annual election of officers for T. L. Sutphen Post, No. 41, G. A. R. Department, Wis., held at Post hall Dec. 6, '83, resulted as follows:

J. R. West, Post Commander.  
 Geo. W. Dibble, Sr. Vice-Commander.  
 B. W. Snow, Jr. Vice-Commander.  
 Geo. W. Hayward, Quartermaster.  
 Dr. H. R. Bulson, Surgeon.  
 Rev. A. J. Marshall, Chaplain.  
 J. Boyd Jones, Officer of the Day.  
 A. C. Thorpe, Officer of the Guard.  
 D. H. Johnson, Inside Guard.  
 W. W. Eastman, Outside Guard.

The following additional officers are appointed by the Commander at the installation of officers which occurs next Thursday evening. Adjutant Sargent Major and Quartermaster Sargent, Comrades, J. Boyd Jones and Charles Lowery were elected delegates to attend the Department encampment at Janesville, in January 1884.

December 11, 1883, Enterprise, p. 1, col. 7, Evansville, Wisconsin

Died -- Feb. 16th 1884, Mr. James R. Brown, aged 52 years. The deceased has long been one of our most social citizens and known far and near as a jovial good natured fellow whom all were pleased to meet and share in the good feelings originating from his ready wit. He was a mason by trade, a hard worker, and industrious citizen

whose familiar countenance will be greatly missed upon our streets. He enlisted in the U. S. Navy on July 20th 1864, and served on the Reviewing ship Constellation from which he was honorably discharged. About four weeks since he was taken sick with rheumatism which ripened into a complication of diseases resulting his death. His funeral services were held at the F. W. Baptist church yesterday at 2:30 o'clock, under the management of the G. A. R., of which he was a member in good standing. Rev. A. J. Marshall, Chaplin of the Post, officiating, Commander J. R. West taking charge of the procession. The services were attended by a large audience of sorrowing friends, who sympathized with the relatives, especially the widowed wife, who is in very poor health, and will see that their sufferings are made as light as possible. This is the first death from T. L. Sutphen Post, No. 41, G. A. R., which has now been in existence over two years, and has a membership of over eighty, and we wish to add that the management for the first was very satisfactorily conducted, and the impressive ceremony beautifully rendered. Another comrade has fought the good fight and ended his battles on earth, and gone to render his account to the great commander of all--Enterprise,

February 22, 1884, Evansville Review, p. ,3 col. 4, Evansville, Wisconsin

Mrs. James Brown is hopelessly insane and is a great care. A committee from the G. A. R. Post visited her last Tuesday evening to ascertain her condition and provide for her needs as far as possible. We have not learned their report, but from our own judgment should think the best place for her was in the asylum.

April 22, 1884, The Enterprise, p. 1, col. 5, Evansville, Wisconsin



## AN IMMENSE SUCCESS.

### The Basket Picnic Nets the Post \$183.44.

Judicious advertising, a worthy cause and an uncontrollable curiosity called together people from this and neighboring towns in such numbers that Magee's Hall was filled as it was never filled before, on Friday night last. The hall was tastefully and appropriately decorated with the stars and stripes, and bold and fearless letters above the stage proclaimed "T. L. Sutphen Post gives you welcome." As soon as the crowd became settled sufficiently to permit, the literary entertainment was begun with a welcome song by the Apollo Club which was followed by some brief remarks by the chaplain, Rev. A. J. Marshall. The programme that occupied the next hour was composed of recitations, songs, music and camp scenes. Several features of the programme are deserving of special mention, the first being the song by a soldier's son, little Johnny West. His song was a "song of all songs," and the ease and rapidity with which he changed from one piece to another perfectly convulsed the audience. He was loudly applauded and in answer he re-appeared and triumphantly waved the flag of his country. A recitation by Mrs. F. W. Tolles, entitled "Our Folks," caused a wave of emotion to sweep over the audience and carried it back in thought to other days. The instrumental music by Miss Ida Roberts upon the "steels," touched a sympathetic chord in the hearts of her listeners, and an encore brought a repetition of the music. The hearty applause that followed the singing of Mr. Arvin Potter showed that his musical voice and graceful movements were duly appreciated.

At the close of the literary feast, Mr. C. C. Stone, of Brodhead, was introduced, who, after a few humorous remarks, proceeded to sell the baskets.

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marks, proceeded to sell the baskets. From the magnificent display of baskets it seemed that the ladies had vied with each other in the ornamentation of them. The first basket offered for sale was that of Miss Laura Standish, which was bought by Mr. Hayes, of Oregon, for \$2.50. The sale was then brisk at prices ranging from \$1.75 to \$2.25, cash sales. The market finally declined slightly, and a few baskets sold as low as 50c, but as the supply was diminished the price advanced and one basket sold for \$3.50—that one was Mrs. W. T. Boyd's. A beautiful house-plant in full bloom had been presented to the Post by Mrs. Robert Boyd. After all the baskets had been sold, this plant was offered and the bidding quickly began, the first bid being 50 cts. The bid was raised by Hon. M. V. Pratt, whose bid was raised by Mr. Wm. Stevens. The fun then commenced; the bidding was spirited and exciting. When ten, twelve and fifteen dollars was bid we expected to see one or the other weaken, but no. On they went, eighteen, twenty, twenty-two, twenty-five! There was a pause, and the modest little plant was struck off to Mr. Wm. Stevens.

The baskets were then distributed among the owners, who were anxiously awaiting to see with whom the fates had cast them. Nearly everyone wore a happy smile as they spread out the contents of their baskets and partook thereof with the fair one who had prepared the feast.

The receipts at the door was \$66, and from the sales \$140.10; the total expense was \$22.66, leaving a balance for the relief fund of \$183.44.

Everyone was well pleased with the way everything passed off, and T. L. Sutphen Post was glad to know that they were appreciated by the people.



# SOLDIER'S PICNIC.

"Nothing succeeds like success."

This is an old saying and very much in use. But can we always take it, that the end justifies the means? if this should be the case, the only way we could form a judgment upon an action, whether it is good or bad, would be by its success or failure, as the case might be. But this cannot be so, for many a worthy object fails utterly, and an unworthy one succeeds, and yet we admire success after all, and we very often take it as a criterion, that if successful in any undertaking we flatter ourselves that we are in the right. We will apply this test to the G. A. R. and see how it comes out. Everything they do is successful. The reunion last summer. The lecture of Mr. Frank W. Smith, and now the Basket Picnic; did anyone ever see or hear of such success as this. All the G. A. R. has to do is to build a table, and the public will cover it with the fat of the land. If it opens its empty purse, the people will fill it with silver dollars. Now what is the cause of all this? is it from the milk of human kindness, or is it benevolence or charity or what is it, who can tell? No it flows from another source. When the war was shaking the country to its foundation and it was on the brink of ruin, all was dark, no ray of light anywhere, men's hearts fainted within them. Then, it was then, that these brave men took their lives in their hands and went forth to battle; they faced the cannon's mouth, received the deadly shot and shell, and many, many, bit the dust. But the country was saved, and the union preserved and we are, all of us, reaping a rich harvest through their sacrifice. It is this and this alone that is the cause of such demonstrations as we have often witnessed. The people look upon these old soldiers as brave men, whom they ought to honor and support, and they do honor them and they will continue to do so, as long as there is one left to receive it. We feel quite unable to give anything but a mere outline sketch of the "Basket Picnic," at the hall last Friday night. To say that the hall was full don't half tell it, it can't be described only by likening it to a street car under full sail, going down Madison street Chicago at 7 o'clock a.m. Just think of a poor man having a basket upon his arm and a ticket in his hand, hunting for his lady partner to share with him the good things she has provided. But she is over on the other side of the hall, and we must get over to her. Now comes the struggle, up in the

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the hall, and we must get over to her. Now comes the struggle, up in the chairs. down on the floor, push, squeeze, elbow. Now you tread on some one's corns he or she punches you in the side, down goes the basket, the cake is upset, never mind, on again, up in the chairs, run on their backs, down again, here is our partner. Now the spread, how delightful, we try to devour all that is before us, but just can't, only about a quarter of it. What a glorious picnic isn't it, though; but after you have done your best to eat all you can, then just think how it must be to a poor fellow to have one of the members of the G. A. R. approach you with a very large and beautiful basket, holding over half a bushel; he takes you by the arm and politely invites you to come and share this other one with a second lady. Oh! no we can't, we will not try to do so; no James, you cannot entice us to any such thing. Now boys get up another doings, just do for the fun of it, if for nothing else, and we will be there, sure. It would be superfluous for us to try to tell all about this Picnic, of what was done, of what said and what was sung, of the Syna phone and Miss Ida the encore. The recitation Mrs. F. W. Tolles "Our Folks." Little Johnny West and his medley, the star spangled banner. Mr. Arvin Potter's songs, the girls mother and the candy shop, all so sweet. Then "Old Barbary Prichard" by Miss Hattie West, this was worth the admission fee alone. The Apollo's how well they sang how much they added to our pleasure. The drill, the night before the battle, camping on the old camp ground, the foraging party, all splendid, all beautiful, long to be remembered. Col. C. C. Stone, the auction, and only a little flower that is all it was, "only that and nothing more." But we will say no more, for all the world and his wife were three and every one knows all about it. So Good by and more anon.

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	WHEREAS, Our comrade James R. Brown, having by the hand of death passed from his labor and suffering here to be mustered into the ranks of the Grand Army above, it is meet, that we as a Post, give an expression of our appreciation of his worth and our sorrowful feelings under this dispensation of Providence. Therefore.	If tl and vi in the to feel we thi ing. these over t and tl into d sure c aband oldest opene of yea by m seeme the lo state their lation sire to by tr Meet but Year one v till a forlo state sent what propo offer now a larg the b
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	Resolved, That in the death of our comrade the Union has lost, one of its bravest defenders, who was ever found at his Post of duty, and T. L. Sutphen Post, one of its oldest and most efficient members who was ever found true and faithful.	
	Resolved, That while we deeply feel our loss, we have the assurance, that he will reap the reward of one that was willing if need be in our countrys great need, to lay down his life that the Nation might live, and while we strive to emulate his virtues may we be willing to bow in submission to the Great Commander.	
	Resolved, That we as comrades tender to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in their deep affliction, hoping that God in his tender mercy will assuage their grief.	
	Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, that a copy of these resolutions be presented to his afflicted family and be spread upon our records, and copies sent to the Evansville Enterprise and Evansville REVIEW for publication.	
	By Order of Committee, G. W. DIBBLE, W.M. F. WILLIAMS.	
	On Motion it was adopted.	
	FRIEND AND FOE.	

Carpenters are at work fitting up the hall, over C. H. Spencer's store, for G. A. R.  
April 4, 1884, Evansville Review, p. 3, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin

Details for Decorating Soldiers Graves for Memorial Day 1884 by T. L. Sutphen, G. A. R. Post  
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T. L. Sutphen, Co. H. 2nd Wis, Reg. Vol. Inf  
Aaron Baker, Co. D. 13 Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
Stephen West, Co. D. 13, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
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John A. Spencer, 40 Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
John Kyes, Co. 44, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
David Patchin, Co. D. 13, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
Horatio Patchin, Co. D. 13, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
Thos O'Reilly, Co. D. 13, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
Samuel Preston, Co. F. 16, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
John W. West, Co. D. 40, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
John M. Lee, Co. D, 13, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
Ralph Parkin, Col. D. 43, Wis., Reg. Vol. Inf.  
Albert Mason, U. S. Gunboat, La Fayette  
Jas. R. Brown, U. S. Gunboat Constitution  
Eugene Bullock, 2nd Ill. Light Artillery  
Wm. Aller  
E. H. Winston  
Aaron Rowley, 1812  
Jas. McCoy, 1812  
John Kelly, 1812  
David Johnson, 1812  
Allen Springer, 1812  
Oliver Richardson, 1812

#### Union Cemetery

S. B. Pinkham, Co. C. 2, Reg. Wis. Cav.  
Henry Seymour, Co. D 2, Reg. Wis. Cav.

#### Cooksville Cemetery

Allen Savage  
John Brooks

#### Magnolia

W. R. Clappsettle, 2 N T Heavy Artillery  
Samuel Crawford, 22 Wis. Inf.  
Owen Colton, Co. D. 13, Wis. Vol. Inf.  
Frank Hall, Co. D. 13, Wis. Vol. Inf.  
Geo. McCoy, Co. D. 13, Wis. Vol. Inf.  
Joseph Eastman, Co. D. 13, Wis. Vol. Inf.  
Robert W. Harper, Co. E 22, Wis. Vol. Inf.  
Ambrose Moore, 42, Wis. Vol. Inf.  
George W. Royer, Cav.  
Henry Robbins

#### Brooklyn

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Wm. W. Winter, Co. K. 3, Wis. vol. Inf.  
Geo. W. McCreedy, Co. E 13, Wis., Vol. Inf.  
E. A. Starkweather, Co. E. 13, Wis. Vol. Inf.  
M. M. Starkweather, Co. D 7, Wis. Vol, Inf.  
Carleton A. Geer, Co. 9, Minn. Vol. Inf.  
Oscar B. Melvin, Co. 2 Wis  
Henry Montgomery 1812  
Shepherd Melvin  
Taylor D. Melvin



Robert King

Porter

Bishop Van Wart, 1812

Geo. Rinehart, 1812

Lewis Bent, Co F, 13 Reg. Wis. Inf.

Geo. Mayon, Co. E, 3 Reg. Wis. Inf.

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Joseph Thompson, Co. F, 33 Reg. Wis. Inf.

Geo. Thompson, Co. F 13, Reg. Wis. Inf.

John R. Wallahan, Co. D. 13, Reg. Wis. Inf.

J. C. Hetrick, Co. F, 13, Reg. Wis. Inf.

Grove Church Cemetery

W. J. Hakes, Co. H. 46, Reg. Ill. Inf.

Geo. H. Clark, Co. F. 16, Reg. Wis. Inf.

Albert Cate, 2d Battery Wis. Heavy Art.

Stephen Newberry, Co. M. Cavalry

John L. Snider, Co. D, 6 Reg. Wis. Inf.

Eben G. Harvey, N. Y. Cavalry

Frazier Coon, Reg. Unknown

David Codington, Burdett Sharp Shooters

May 30, 1884, Evansville Review, p. 3, Col. 4, Evansville, Wisconsin

Pastors' Meeting of Evansville.

M. E. CHURCH, Monday May 18, 1885.

The request of the G. A. R. to the resident pastors of Evansville was received, asking them to arrange for, and take charge of, the Memorial services, to be held in the M. E. church Sunday p. m. Pastor Sewell was appointed to preach the sermon; the other pastors to assist in the services.

E. R. CURRY,  
Secretary pro tem.

HEAD QUARTERS T. L. SUTPHEN POST,  
No. 41, G. A. R. DEPT. WIS.,  
May 18th, 1885.

In accordance with the General Order No. 4 from Department Head Quarters—arrangements have been made for the holding of Union Memorial Services on Sunday, May 24th, at 2:30 o'clock p. m. in the M. E. Church. Comrades and Sons of Veterans are requested to meet prompt at 2:00 o'clock p. m. May 24th, 1885, at G. A. R. Hall to attend such service. All ex-soldiers, sailors and marines not members of the G. A. R. are cordially invited to join in this service.

Evansville, Wis. May 18th, 1885.  
C. E. LEE, J. R. WEST,  
Adjutant. Commander.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Another memorial day has come and gone; another decoration of the graves of our fallen heroes, took place on Saturday last, the 30th ult.; another nail has been driven into all our coffins. How rapid is the flight of time, it seems but as yesterday since we decorated before. Surely then our life is but a span, a shadow, a vapor, so soon do we all pass away and are gone.

Three members of the Evansville Post have departed this life during the year; they have gone "To the bourne from which no traveler returns." Their names are comrades Ezra Mann, M. H. Fish and W. K. Wilson. And so the little band of brethren is being gradually reduced in numbers. It will be well for the living if they take it to heart, and thereby learn wisdom.

Saturday morning opened beautiful, it could not have been finer. About half past nine o'clock a. m., the "boys in blue" marched up to the cemetery and decorated the graves of their late comrades. Our town presented quite a lively scene, the stores and the buildings displayed numerous flags, and everything put on a fourth of July appearance.

At 1:35 p. m. the members of the G. A. R. and their friends took the train for Oregon, as it had been arranged to hold the services there this year. It was a very pleasant ride on such a lovely day; the rain, the day before, had so refreshed everything; the country looked fine. All seemed to enjoy themselves very much indeed. We arrived at our destination about half past two, and found many people at the station, and the Oregon Post, with the martial music and the cornet band, all drawn up in the street waiting to welcome us to their pretty town. When everything was ready and all in order we commenced our march to the cemetery; the Oregon band in front playing a dirge, the procession being under the command of the officer of the day, commander Getz. On the march the Oregon and the Evansville bands played alternately, with some martial music thrown in between. On arriving at the cemetery we found a stage for the singers and the speakers, and seats for the G. A. R. and its friends.

The cemetery at Oregon is about a mile and a half north of the village. It is very pleasantly situated on a

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The cemetery at Oregon is about a mile and a half north of the village. It is very pleasantly situated on a gentle eminence over looking a fine country, and on this day the scene was beautiful. The trees full of

June 5, 1885, Evansville Review, p. 4, col. 3-4, Evansville, Wisconsin

A goodly number of our G.A.R. boys went to Albany Thursday to the reunion.

June 12, 1885, Evansville review, p. 3, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin



## CO. 'F' 16th, WIS. REG'T.

Probably no gathering ever took place in our quiet little town so full of interest to those that took part, than the first re-union of Co. 'F' 16th, Wis. Reg't, on Sept. 23d, 1885 at which time the Regimental Surgeon, and twenty-four members of that company with the wives of over half the number, spent a full day and an evening in a manner never to be forgotten. Coming as they did from Iowa, Minn., Ill., and distant parts of this state, many of them not having seen each other since they were mustered out more than twenty years ago; others parted on the battle field near Atlanta more than twenty one years ago. Is it any wonder that one day and night were all too short for the joys of the occasion. The four resident members of the company planned and arranged the details, deciding not to make a public or general re-union, but rather if possible, a family gathering and visit. To this end T. L. Sutphen Post G. A. R. kindly tendered the use of their hall for that purpose and a pleasant place it proved for a gathering of this kind, having carpeted parlor, -dressing room- and kitchen with the necessary furniture. A few arrived the day before and were entertained by the G. A. R. comrades and resident members of the company. The railway trains were met on Wednesday to receive and escort all that came, and each member on arrival was labled "Co. 'F' 16th, Wis. Reg't." by a badge of green ribbon. Dinner was served about half past one for nearly thirty. Every passenger train during the day brought some. The last to arrive was the drummer boy of the company, Louis O. Kohtz from Chicago, on the four thirty p. m. train, and the greeting and hand shaking after so many years of separation can only be fully appreciated by those like circumstanced. A personal mention of a few may be made.

Dr. W. S. Schermerhorn, Regimental Surgeon, now a practicing physician of Jefferson, Iowa, Lieut. Alfred Taggart, lawyer and mayor of the City of Rockford, Ill., J. I. Comstock, sup't paper mills, Beloit, Wis. Geo. A. Crooker, Government land inspector Pardeeville, Wis., D. A. Adams, Beloit, Wis., traveling salesman for Brown, Durrell & Co., Boston Mass., Chas. M. Smith, Waseca, Minn., Railway engineer, Benj. S. Park, instructor in Waukesha Industrial School, Louis O. Kohtz, Ass't Gen. Agt. Aetna Ins. Co. Chicago, Ill. James G. Wray, contractor and builder, Janesville, Wis. About three o'clock Lieut. Taggart donned the long unused sword and belt, formed the company and marched to the photograph gallery where a fine group of the twenty-four was taken. Kohtz being a little too late was taken alone to complete the twenty-five in number. About half past six all were seated around tables and were nicely served by

families, young ladies, daughters of comrades,  
 in have dressed in white with red and blue  
 mng left sashes. Each table was liberally  
 d black- furnished with delicacies and fruits  
 families of the season; decorated with abun-  
 dition. dance of flowers and at each plate  
 arter of was placed a small bouquet of choice  
 flowers, at the head of the first table  
 a fine cross of the same. After more  
 company than an hour spent in the sociable  
 t to the and the eatable business, the company  
 which was seated in line and called to or-  
 ticulars; der by Orderly J. R. West, who  
 owned called the roll from his first and origi-  
 aggage, nal orderly book, worn and stained  
 arlor or by daily usage in camp and field,  
 19,317; more than twenty-one years ago. He  
 sengers also read letters and extracts from ab-  
 es were sent members, and in behalf of the resi-  
 er per- dent members presented each with a  
 l. The blue silk badge headed with an ar-  
 , upon row (the badge of the 17th Army  
 s paid. Corps) followed by a complete roster  
 of those present, giving rank in ser-  
 v- vice and present P. O. address. The  
 t matter of future re-unions was taken  
 v up by electing Lieut. Taggart, Chair-  
 q man and Charles M. Smith, Secre-  
 r tary. A permanent organization was  
 o at once formed by electing J. R.  
 s West, President and Charles M.  
 s Smith, Secretary, with a committee  
 tl of five to be appointed by the chair-  
 n man at a later date, who shall fix the  
 ti time and place of next meeting.  
 s Then followed remarks by Dr. Scher-  
 merhorn, comrades Taggart, Com-  
 in l stock, Park and others, which were  
 in enjoyed and received with applause  
 have by all.  
 state Lieut. Taggart was called out the  
 obtat second time and in a pleasant way re-  
 wood ferred to Co. 'F'; its organization,  
 cryst record and members, at the same time  
 cent it was noticed that he managed to  
 have place his now rotund body in such a  
 as position as to entirely conceal from  
 been f certain ones a small center table, at  
 inches it same time directing his remarks to  
 length, n Orderly, J. R. West, he stepped one  
 terior r side and revealed on the table a sil-  
 pure q ver set, gold lined, consisting of tea  
 most be pot, creamer, sugar bowl, and spoon  
 holder which he presented in behalf  
 Sever of the members of Co. 'F' to Orderly  
 discardi West and wife as a token of esteem  
 printing and kind remembrances of friend-  
 This is r ship, on the march, in camp and field.  
 where i Each article was nicely engraved:  
 these ho "Co. 'F' 16th Reg't."  
 do the v Sarg't West was taken wholly and  
 as a rul completely by surprise and for a  
 well do moment was too full to speak and  
 fresh ar when he expressed his heart-felt  
 most of thanks not many dry eyes were in  
 are ver the hall. Singing, visiting and rem-  
 over cro iniscences of army life were enjoyed  
 purpose, till a late hour. Following is a com-  
 paper a plete roster of those in attendance.  
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 isting.

W. S. Schermerhorn, M. D., Sur-  
 geon 16th, Reg't, Jefferson, Iowa.  
 Alfred Taggart, 1st Lieut. and Ma-  
 jor 51st, Reg't., Rockford, Ill. J. R.  
 West, Orderly and 1st, Lieut Evans-  
 Wis. J. I. Comstock, Serg't. and 2d  
 Lieut, Beloit, Wis.; Geo. A. Crooker,  
 Sargeant, Pardeeville, Wis.; D. A.  
 Adams, Sargeant, Beloit, Wis.; Chas.  
 M. Smith, Corporal, Waseca, Minn.



Sherman Phelps, Corporal, Janesville, Wis.; Geo. W. Dibble, Evansville, Wis.; L. S. Palmer, Evansville, Wis.; Alfred Bullock, Evansville, Wis.; Cal. C. Smith, Brodhead, Wis.; J. G. Wray, Janesville, Wis.; Stephen Cary, Janesville, Wis.; L. M. Nelson, Janesville, Wis. Hiram Conry, Sun Prairie, Wis.; J. E. Sargent, Janesville, Wis.; Oscar Graves, Beloit, Wis. H. L. Phillips, Beloit, Wis.; John K. Smith, Beloit, Wis.; Benj. S. Park, Fifer, Waukesha, Wis.; Louis O. Kohtz, drummer, 172 La Salle St. Chicago, Ill.; Andrew Bennett, Anamosa, Iowa. Dewitt C. Gillson, Wyoconna, Wis.; A. A. Starr, Elroy, Wis.

#### THANKS.

The undersigned resident members of Co. 'F', 16th. Wis. Reg't, desire to express our thanks—for the kindness shown us at our late reunion—to the comrades that assisted in entertaining—to the wives of comrades that so generously furnished the tables—to the comrades daughter that furnished and arranged several large boquets—to the daughters of other comrades that waited on the tables so nicely—and also to the wife of comrade Tewksbury, who made and furnished fifty small boquets, one for each plate at the banquet. Evansville Wis., Oct 1, 1885.

J. R. WEST,  
GEO. W. DIBBLE,  
L. S. PALMER,  
ALFRED BULLOCK.

October 9, 1885, Evansville Review, p. 2, col. 3, Evansville, Wisconsin

Village Clerk.

COMRADES AND CITIZENS. —Pursuant to an order issued by the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, services commemorative of the life and character of Gen. Grant, will be held next Sabbath evening at 7½ o'clock in the M. E. church. Addressed by Rev. F. L. Wharton, Chaplain of T. L. Sutphen Post.

A collection will be taken as a contribution to the fund being raised throughout the State for the purpose of providing a suitable home for U. S. soldiers who are now in poor houses in Wisconsin. Everybody invited.

By Order of G. A. R. Committee,  
Evansville, April 19th, 1887.

April 22, 1887, Evansville Review, p. 1, col. 3, Evansville, Wisconsin



<p>T. nd de oul am ain ro- oot  Mr. ap- ing  the If ys- or er's for  Mrs. her are on ter</p>	<p><b>MEMORIAL EXERCISES.</b> Sunday, May 29th at Wood and Kendall's Hall, at 3 p. m. 1. Singing by the choir. 2. Services by the post, Closing with the Lord's Prayer. 3. Singing. 4. Reading of scriptures. 5. Address, Rev. A. D. Sanborn. 6. Singing. 7. Benediction.</p> <p><b>EXERCISES, DECORATION DAY MONDAY, MAY 30, 1887.</b> At 2:00 p. m., column march to the cemetery, forming around the memorial Mound in G. A. R. lot. 1. Singing. 2. Services by the Post, including decoration of memorial mound and firing of salute. 3. Singing—America. 4. March to speakers' stand. 5. Singing. 6. Address by Rev. F. L. Wharton 7. Singing. 8. Benediction.</p> <p><b>The Strongest Man in Ohio</b></p>	<p><b>F</b> <b>H</b> Fur to n I ha gen  <b>U</b>  bod take  <b>F</b> <b>CA</b>  <b>Pi</b> <b>E</b></p>
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May 27, 1887, Evansville Review, p. 1, col. 4, Evansville, Wisconsin

<p>s - r l - n f ff e n</p>	<p><b>G. A. R. ELECTION.</b> The following Grand Army officers were elected for the ensuing year, at their meeting held Thursday evening, Dec. 8th, 1887: J R West, Commander. W H Hamilton, S. V. C. Wm. Wilcox, J. V. C. Josiah Blake, Q. M. J M Evans, Surgeon. W B Walker, Chaplain. P E Call, Officer of the Day. M V Edwards, Officer of the Guard. Lucian S Palmer, Trustee. J M Evans, Delegate to National Eu campment. Geo. Dibble, Alternate,</p>	<p><b>K</b>  <b>F</b>  <b>E</b>  <b>Y</b>  <b>F</b></p>
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December 13, 1887, Evansville Review, p. 1, col. 4, Evansville, Wisconsin

A public installation of the officers of T. L. Sutphen Post, G. A. R., was held at Wood & Kendall's hall Thursday evening. E. G. Harlow, of Janesville, installing officer.

J. R. West, Post Commander.  
H. W. Hamilton, S. V. Commander,  
Wm Wilcox, J. V. Commander.  
C. E. Lee, Adjutant.  
W. H. Walker, Chaplain.  
P. C. Call, O. D.  
S. W. Blake, Q. M.  
J. M. Evans, Surgeon.  
M. V. Edwards, O. G.  
G. W. Hayward, S. W.  
L. B. Beeby, Q. M. S.

At the same time and place the officers of the Women's Relief Corps were installed by Department Inspector, Mrs. Eleanor Stone, of Brodhead.

Notwithstanding the very unfavorable weather a good program was presented consisting of appropriate songs, by comrades and home talent. Comrade Kimberly, of Janesville, was present, and sang some of his favorite and soul stirring pieces. Rev. L. F. Wharton, of Milwaukee, gave an excellent address.

The weather was exceedingly inclement outside, but within there were many warm hearts to give cheer and exhilaration to the occasion.

January 17, 1888, Evansville Review, p. 4, col. 1, Evansville,

Wisconsin

The following is a list in full as far as we are able to learn who have gone from this place and vicinity to attend the G.A.R. National Encampment at Cleveland, Ohio: Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Johns, Mr. and Mrs. Kendall, of the Central House, Mr. Henry Hamilton and family, consisting of his wife, son and daughter, Wm. Wilcox, Mr. Barber, of Magnolia, and Mr. Haynes of Cooksville.

September 8, 1888, The Tribune, p. 1, col. 3, Evansville, Wisconsin

The W. R. C. are making preparations for a grand reunion or reception on the 18<sup>th</sup> inst., in this place. Their sister societies of Stoughton and Brodhead are expected to join with them and our home G.A.R. comrades with families are invited. That means me, one pair of twins, and two boys and thank fortune our better half is a member of the society which proposes to give us poor hungry souls one square meal.

September 8, 1888, The Tribune, p. 1, col. 3, Evansville, Wisconsin

Drug Store.

—As near as we are able to learn this morning the following comrades were elected to serve as officers of the G. A. R. Post in this city for the ensuing year: Commander, Prentice Call; Senior Vice Commander, William Wilcox; Junior Vice Commander, William Austin; Quartermaster, Chas. Conine; Officer of the day, J. C. Brewer; Surgeon, Dr. C. M. Smith; Chaplain, Willoughby Walker; O. G., George Hayward; Trustee, John Tullar,

October 12, 1889, The Tribune, p. 4, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin

Attorney H. N. Simons has bought the Burton property, consisting of two stores. The store next to the Bank of Evansville is occupied by N. D. Wilder & co. cigar manufacturers, who do business in that line on a large scale. The second story is leased by the GAR's and called the G. A. R. Hall. The popular firm of Innis and Reed occupy the first story of the other store and tenants the second story.

Enterprise, December 18, 1889, Evansville, Wisconsin



### Nelson Patterson Obituary.

The flag on the pole at the Grand Army hall stood at half mast from Wednesday afternoon of last week until Saturday evening in token of the death of Nelson Patterson, the second name on the list of charter members of that grand institution. His death took place at his residence on Church street at 1 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, May 7, 1890, after more than a year breaking down and wearing away of his usually firm physical constitution. The last few weeks of his life seemed to be attended with both mental and physical prostrations, so much so as to require pretty constant attendance both night and day and which was most cheerfully given by his Post comrades assisted by the W. R. C. of that order. He was buried from the Methodist church at 1:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon under the auspices of both orders conjoined. His funeral was well attended by citizens and old friends and neighbors. Rev. W. W. Stevens, officiating.

Mr. Patterson was originally from New York and moved to Brooklyn twp in 1846, coming to Evansville to live about 10 years ago. His age was 67 years.

May 13, 1890, Evansville Review, p. 4,

Evansville, Wisconsin

GAR book donated by Daniel Johnson, Nelson Winston, Della Bennett, L. T. Pullen, Harvey Prentice. A memorial record given in a special ceremony, at G. A. R. hall.

October 14, 1890, Tribune, Evansville, Wisconsin