

HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED  
VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS

FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1881.

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THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

MANAGERS.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; THE CHIEF JUSTICE; THE SECRETARY OF WAR—*Ex Officio*.

General WILLIAM B. FRANKLIN, President, Hart-  
ford, Conn. <sup>1881</sup>  
Col. LEONARD A. HARRIS, First Vice-President,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.  
General RICHARD COULTER, Second Vice-Presi-  
dent, Greensburg, Pa.  
General MARTIN T. MCMAHON, Secretary, 93 Nas-  
sau street, New York City.

Col. JOHN A. MARTIN, Atchison, Kans.  
Maj. DAVID C. FULTON, Hudson, Wis.  
General JOHN LOVE, Indianapolis, Ind.  
General JOHN M. PALMER, Springfield, Ill.  
General CHARLES W. ROBERTS, Bangor, Mo.

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*Letter of transmittal of General William B. Franklin.*

HARTFORD, CONN., December 7, 1881.

SIR: I transmit with this the report of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881.

Respectfully, yours,

W. B. FRANKLIN,  
*President Board of Managers,  
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.*

Hon. J. W. KEIFER,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.*

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1881.

*To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled :*

The Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, in conformity to law, submits the following report of the institutions for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881.

Since the last annual report, which was made in January, 1881, the board has lost a faithful and efficient member by death—John Love, of Indiana. Congress by the act of March 3, 1881, appointed George B. McClellan, of New Jersey, to fill the vacancy.

On March 4, 1881, two other vacancies were made and filled, viz: those of the President of the United States and the Secretary of War.

During the last fiscal year the board has held quarterly sessions, and has performed the usual duties of visiting the branches of the Home, attending to the discipline and needs of the institution, regulating its expenditure, estimating for its wants, and auditing its accounts.

It is its opinion that the discipline is good, that proper and economical care has been taken of the inmates, and that the money appropriated by Congress has been honestly expended and accounted for.

The increase in the number of inmates during the past year has been 483, or about 7 per cent., being less than it has been in any previous year. This fact shows that the number of inmates on the existing basis of admission has arrived nearly at its maximum, as the death-rate must increase in a greater ratio from year to year.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers held in March last, the president and secretary were directed to represent to Congress the fact that, under the laws regulating admissions to the Home, the board has no authority to admit soldiers who were not disabled during their term of service; that there are many soldiers who have been disabled since the war, and are incapable of earning a living; that in many cases the condition of this class is peculiarly distressing, as they are not entitled to pensions and consequently have no means of support; and that in the opinion of the board the time is near at hand, if it has not already arrived, when the laws regulating admission to the Home should be so modified as to give the Board of Managers discretionary power to admit worthy destitute disabled soldiers whose disabilities cannot be traced to or were not incurred during their term of service.

This matter is presented to Congress for such action as may seem to it to be wise and proper. Every member of the Board of Managers has been obliged to refuse admission to deserving cases of soldiers entirely disabled, whose disability has been hastened or perhaps entirely incurred from exposure during the war, the facts of which cannot be traced back, or from poverty produced by the destruction of their business caused by their enlistments, or who have been thrown on the world in a destitute condition when too old to support themselves, on account of the death or poverty of those upon whom they have hitherto depended for support.

Under existing law these men are not entitled to admission to the Home, yet a man who receives a pension for any wound, however insignificant, is entitled to all of the benefits of the Home.

There is injustice in this discrimination which should, if possible, be remedied. A change in the law which would permit the managers to admit any disabled destitute soldier to the Home would cover the case. In the opinion of the board the number of admissions due to such a change would not be excessive, but in any event if such a law were passed, one year's experience would determine whether the legislation was wise, or whether the law should be repealed.

By the act approved March 3, 1881, the Managers of the Home are authorized to estimate "for building and maintenance at the Central Branch of a building or buildings for the safe and proper keeping of the insane." [Since the passage of the act the board has made arrangements with sundry State institutions "for the safe and proper keeping of the insane" under its charge, by which the cost to the United States, in its opinion, will be materially less than it would be were a building erected as contemplated by the law. It has not, therefore, availed itself of the authority given, and no estimate for the building has been made.\*]

The original organic law of the board authorized the admission of disabled sailors to the Home. This authority was repealed by the amendatory act organizing the Home, approved March 21, 1866.

By an act approved February 28, 1871, the benefits of the Home were extended to the disabled volunteer soldiers and sailors of the war of 1812 and of the Mexican war.

There is no authority for admitting disabled sailors who served through the late war, unless the sailor originally enlisted as a soldier.

The managers have been obliged to refuse admission hitherto to this class of persons on account of what is evidently an omission in the law.

Their needs, however, are as pressing as those of soldiers, and it is respectfully recommended that an act be passed, of which the following is suggested as a sketch:

*Be it enacted, &c.*, That the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers be, and it is hereby, authorized to admit to the National Home disabled sailors who served in the war of the rebellion, on the same conditions as those on which disabled soldiers are now admitted to the said Home: *Provided*, That this authority shall not apply to such sailors as are now entitled by law to admission to naval asylums established by act of Congress.

The estimate for the support of the Home for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883, has been submitted through the proper channel. Its amount is \$1,122,088.03, being an increase of \$2,882.90 over that of the current fiscal year. The annual cost of keeping each beneficiary is about \$180, and the increase in number during the past fiscal year was 483. Should the increase be the same for the current fiscal year, the additional sum required on the same basis of cost would be \$86,940.

The board has used all proper endeavor to bring down the estimate to the lowest amount possible, and believes that the amount asked for is the lowest that will permit the proper and economical care of the beneficiaries.

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\* Since the above was written, official notice has been received by the board that the arrangements which had been made for the care of the insane of the Home in the various State hospitals cannot longer be carried out. In some cases the room occupied by them is needed, and in others the fact that the insane of the Home are in the great majority of the cases incurable renders them undesirable occupants of the State hospitals. In any event, they are about to be thrown back on our hands.

For this reason the president of the board has directed that a design and estimate for an insane hospital, to be erected at the Central Branch of the Home near Dayton, Ohio, be prepared for submission to the board, which, when acted upon by the board, will be respectfully submitted to Congress, in conformity to the act approved March 3, 1881, for such action as may seem to it proper.

The statement of accounts of the acting treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, is appended hereto. All of his expenditures have been audited by the board.

The secretary's report, which accompanies this, contains succinct statements from the Branches of the Home, giving a short history of each Branch for the last fiscal year. It also incloses the printed minutes of the board for the last fiscal year, from which can be obtained all information as to doings of the board, and as to its manner of conducting the delicate business of the important trust confided to it by Congress.

W. B. FRANKLIN,

*President of the Board of Managers*

*of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.*

HARTFORD, CONN., August 23, 1881.

*The National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, in account current with W. B. Franklin, acting treasurer, for the year ending June 30, 1881.*

| Dr.      |   |              | Cr.      |  |              |
|----------|---|--------------|----------|--|--------------|
| 1880.    |   |              | 1880.    |  |              |
| Sept. 30 | Amount disbursed during first quarter 1880-'81, as per abstract and vouchers.....   | \$277,925 21 | Aug. 27  | Draft No. 0896 of James Gilfillan, Treasurer of the United States, on assistant treasurer, New York .....  | \$331,900 00 |
| Dec. 31  | Amount disbursed during second quarter 1880-'81, as per abstract and vouchers ..... | 213,431 75   | Sept. 23 | Draft of Benjamin F. Butler, late acting treasurer .....   | 852 23       |
| 1881.    |   |              | Nov. 4   | Draft No. 10475 of James Gilfillan, Treasurer of the United States, on assistant treasurer, New York ..... | 263,400 00   |
| Mar. 31  | Amount disbursed during third quarter 1880-'81, as per abstract and vouchers.....   | 218,038 18   | 1881.    |  |              |
| June 30  | Amount disbursed during fourth quarter 1880-'81, as per abstract and vouchers.....  | 293,626 04   | Jan. 31  | Draft No. 11340 of James Gilfillan, Treasurer of the United States, on assistant treasurer, New York ..... | 249,600 00   |
| June 30  | Balance on hand .....   | 31,428 88    | Apr. 13  | Draft No. 13518 of James Gilfillan, Treasurer of the United States, on assistant treasurer, New York ..... | 188,660 83   |
|          |   | 1,034,453 06 |          |  | 1,034,453 06 |

I certify that the above is a correct statement of my account with the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881.

W. B. FRANKLIN,  
*President and Acting Treasurer.*

HARTFORD, CONN., July 14, 1881.

*Report of the secretary.*

NEW YORK, November —, 1881.

GENERAL: I send herewith the reports of the governors of the various Branches of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the year ending June 30, 1881; also the annual report on the forms heretofore in use, and the consolidated post returns of the various branches of the Home.

These documents contain in detail all the information that can be required in regard to the present condition of the Home.

The documents submitted are—

1. The annual report (in tabular form).

2. Consolidated post return.

3. Report of the governor of the Central Branch, comprising the tabular statements from which the annual report and consolidated post return are made.

4. Report of the governor of the Northwestern Branch, including similar documents.

5. Report of the governor of the Eastern Branch, including similar documents.

6. Report of the governor of the Southern Branch, including similar documents.

7. Statements in narrative form of the governors of the respective Branches as to everything of interest in relation to their commands.

An examination of the documents submitted will show that the admissions to the Home are still on the increase. The number admitted and readmitted during the year ending June 30, 1881, was 2,106; the loss by death, discharge, and desertion, 1,595; the whole number cared for during the year by the four Branches, 9,286; the whole number aided and cared for since the establishment of the Home, 87,102. The reports show an increased death-rate over that of last year.

For all other particulars in regard to the present condition of the Home, I respectfully refer you to the reports of the governors and to the printed minutes of the Board of Managers, which I send herewith, to be included in the annual report of the board.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

M. T. McMAHON,  
*Secretary Board of Managers.*

General WILLIAM B. FRANKLIN,  
*President Board of Managers*  
*National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.*

*Annual report for the four Branches National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the year ending June 30, 1881.*

Gain:

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Admitted .....    | 1,582        |
| Readmitted .....  | 524          |
| Transferred ..... | 201          |
| Total .....       | <u>2,307</u> |

Loss:

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Honorably discharged .....    | 893          |
| Dishonorably discharged ..... | 79           |
| Transferred .....             | 229          |
| Deserted .....                | 191          |
| Died .....                    | 422          |
| Total .....                   | <u>1,824</u> |

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Total present .....                                 | 5,471 |
| Total present last report .....                     | 5,318 |
| Total present and absent .....                      | 7,464 |
| Total present and absent last report .....          | 6,981 |
| Whole number cared for during year .....            | 9,286 |
| Whole number cared for during previous year .....   | 8,976 |
| Average number present during year .....            | 5,864 |
| Average number present and absent during year ..... | 7,356 |

What war:

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| War 1861 .....    | 8,974 |
| Mexican war ..... | 285   |
| War 1812 .....    | 27    |

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| <b>What service :</b>                                     |                  |
| Volunteers .....  | 8,796            |
| Regulars .....  | 388              |
| Navy .....  | 122              |
| <b>Age :</b>  |                  |
| Thirty to forty .....                                     | 1,893            |
| Forty to fifty .....                                      | 2,798            |
| Fifty to sixty .....                                      | 2,675            |
| Sixty to eighty .....                                     | 1,841            |
| Eighty to one hundred .....                               | 79               |
| Married, with wives and minor children .....              | 3,033            |
| <b>Nationality :</b>                                      |                  |
| Native born .....   | 3,508            |
| Foreign born .....  | 5,778            |
| <b>Occupation :</b>                                       |                  |
| Farmers .....   | 1,210            |
| Mechanics .....   | 3,371            |
| Laborers .....  | 4,275            |
| Professions .....   | 430              |
| <b>Disability :</b>                                       |                  |
| Loss of limbs .....                                       | 459              |
| Wounds .....  | 2,910            |
| Sickness .....  | 5,397            |
| Blindness .....   | 336              |
| Other causes .....  | 5,636            |
| <b>Hospital department :</b>                              |                  |
| Treated in hospital .....                                 | 2,108            |
| Treated in quarters .....                                 | 2,265            |
| Total number insane .....                                 | 93               |
| Died in hospital .....                                    | 345              |
| Died on furlough .....                                    | 77               |
| Proportion of deaths to number cared for .....            | 4.08             |
| <b>Number of inmates employed at trades in the home :</b> |                  |
| Blacksmith shop .....                                     | 14               |
| Book bindery .....  | 4                |
| Carpenter shop .....                                      | 102              |
| Cigar shop .....  | 48               |
| Harness shop .....  | 5                |
| Paint shop .....  | 37               |
| Plumbing and gas-fitting .....                            | 12               |
| Printing office .....                                     | 11               |
| Shoe shop .....   | 23               |
| Soap shop .....   | 6                |
| Tailor's shop .....                                       | 22               |
| Tin shop .....  | 10               |
| Upholstery shop .....                                     | 5                |
| Knitting shop .....                                       | 17               |
| Other trades .....  | 1                |
| <b>Pensions :</b>   |                  |
| Total number of pensioners .....                          | 3,263            |
| Amount received .....                                     | \$147,351 47     |
| Paid to families .....                                    | 143,213 30       |
| Held by Home at interest for benefit of pensioners .....  | 86,008 14        |
| Amount retained for any purpose by Home .....             | 59,796 67        |
| <b>Profits of farm, garden, and stable :</b>              |                  |
| Farm and garden .....                                     | \$17,133 88      |
| Stable .....  | 2,106 22         |
| <b>Manufactures .....</b>                                 | <b>13,467 40</b> |
| <b>Inmates under pay during year .....</b>                | <b>2,713</b>     |

## Library:

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Number of books in library ..... | 23,943 |
| Number of daily papers .....     | 145    |
| Number of weekly papers .....    | 471    |
| Number of magazines, &c .....    | 100    |
| Number of books issued .....     | 72,013 |
| Number of books purchased .....  | 1,475  |

## Education:

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| Number of teachers ..... | 1  |
| Number of pupils .....   | 82 |

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Total expenditures .....   | \$930,026 45 |
| Cost of construction and repairs .....                                   | 133,616 95   |
| Expenses, less construction and repairs .....                            | 796,409 50   |
| Average cost of keeping each inmate, exclusive of cost of clothing ..... | 121 12½      |
| Average cost of daily ration .....                                       | 18 38        |
| Total cost of commissary supplies .....                                  | 389,401 70   |
| Gross sales of Home store .....  | 82,191 77    |
| Net profit of Home store .....   | 20,009 27    |
| Amount of fines and forfeitures .....                                    | 11,907 81    |
| Amount expended for amusements .....                                     | 13,063 47    |
| Number of entertainments given .....                                     | 226          |

## THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS FOR THE FOUR BRANCHES.

*Post return for the year ending June 30, 1881.*

## PRESENT FOR DUTY.

## Commissioned officers:

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Governors .....                   | 4  |
| Treasurer and quartermaster ..... | 1  |
| Surgeons .....                    | 4  |
| Secretaries .....                 | 2  |
| Steward .....                     | 1  |
| Chaplain .....                    | 1  |
| Matron .....                      | 1  |
| Total .....                       | 14 |

## Non-commissioned officers:

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Post adjutant .....           | 1  |
| Sergeant-majors .....         | 4  |
| Assistant steward .....       | 1  |
| Commissary-sergeants .....    | 4  |
| Quartermaster-sergeants ..... | 4  |
| Hospital stewards .....       | 2  |
| Lieutenant home guard .....   | 1  |
| Sergeants provost guard ..... | 4  |
| Sergeants .....               | 56 |
| Corporals .....               | 5  |
| Total .....                   | 82 |

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Privates ..... | 3,552 |
|----------------|-------|

## Hospital:

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Sick .....       | 444 |
| Attendants ..... | 130 |

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Total ..... | 574 |
|-------------|-----|

## Extra duty:

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 6     |
| Privates .....                  | 1,480 |

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| <b>Total present:</b>           |       |
| Commissioned officers .....     | 14    |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 88    |
| Privates .....                  | 5,436 |

**ABSENT.**

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| <b>With leave:</b>              |       |
| Commissioned officers .....     | 0     |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 0     |
| Privates .....                  | 1,792 |

**Without leave:**

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Commissioned officers .....     | 0   |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 0   |
| Privates .....                  | 106 |

**Total:**

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Commissioned officers .....     | 0     |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 0     |
| Privates .....                  | 1,938 |

**PRESENT AND ABSENT.****Total present and absent:**

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Commissioned officers .....     | 14    |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 88    |
| Privates .....                  | 7,374 |

**Aggregate:**

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| This report ..... | 7,476 |
| Last report ..... | 6,993 |

**CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT.***Gain.*

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Commissioned officers:</b>  |              |
| By appointment .....           | 3            |
| By transfer .....              | 0            |
| <b>Privates:</b>               |              |
| By admission .....             | 1,582        |
| By readmission .....           | 523          |
| By transfer .....              | 201          |
| By return from desertion ..... | 1            |
| <b>Total .....</b>             | <b>2,307</b> |

*Loss.*

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| <b>Commissioned officers:</b>           |              |
| By resignation .....                    | 1            |
| By transfer .....                       | 2            |
| By death .....                          | 0            |
| <b>Privates:</b>                        |              |
| By discharge .....                      | 639          |
| By summarily discharged .....           | 42           |
| By dishonorable discharge .....         | 63           |
| By desertion .....                      | 190          |
| By dropped from temporary at post ..... | 239          |
| By transfer to other branches .....     | 216          |
| By transfer to insane asylum .....      | 13           |
| By death .....                          | 422          |
| <b>Total .....</b>                      | <b>1,824</b> |

**HEALTH.**

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Number treated in hospital ..... | 2,861        |
| Number treated in quarters ..... | 2,235        |
| <b>Total .....</b>               | <b>5,096</b> |

## EDUCATION

|                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| Number of teachers..... | 1  |
| Number of pupils.....   | 37 |

## LIBRARY.

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Number of volumes.....                       | 23,933 |
| Number of daily papers.....                  | 145    |
| Number of weekly papers and periodicals..... | 553    |
| Number of volumes read.....                  | 72,210 |

## CITIZEN EMPLOYÉS.

## Males:

|   |    |
|---|----|
| On construction.....                    | 2  |
| Foreman carpenters.....                 | 2  |
| Foreman blacksmiths.....                | 2  |
| Engineers.....                          | 3  |
| Superintendents of farm and stable..... | 4  |
| Assistant surgeon.....                  | 1  |
| Band leaders.....                       | 3  |
| Musicians.....                          | 10 |
| Gardeners.....                          | 3  |
| Clerks.....                             | 5  |

## Females:

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Cooks.....         | 3 |
| Laundresses.....   | 2 |
| Seamstresses.....  | 0 |
| House-cleaner..... | 1 |

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| Total..... | 41 |
|------------|----|

## REMARKS.

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Average present during year.....            | 1,467 |
| Average present and absent during year..... | 1,842 |
| Average cost of ration during year.....     | 18.38 |

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

JULY 8, 1880.

The Board of Managers met this day, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the Revere House, Boston.

Present: Hon. Morrison R. Waite, Chief Justice United States; Col. Leonard A. Harris, General Richard Coulter, Col. John A. Martin, General Wm. B. Franklin, General Charles W. Roberts, Maj. David C. Fulton, General John Love, General Martin T. McMahon.

There were present also at the meeting the following retiring members of the board: General Benjamin F. Butler, General John H. Martindale, Hon. Frederick Smyth.

A quorum being present, on motion of Colonel Harris, the Chief Justice was elected temporary chairman, General McMahon temporary secretary.

The Chief Justice caused to be read the following extract from "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, and for other purposes," approved June 16, 1880, and directed the same to be entered on the minutes:

Support of National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers: Current expenses, including construction and repairs: For the Central Branch, for the Eastern Branch, for the Northwestern Branch, for the Southern Branch, and for barracks and other

necessary construction purposes, for clothing of extra sizes and underclothing, for outdoor relief and incidental expenses, one million and thirty-three thousand five hundred and sixty dollars and eighty-three cents: *Provided*, That so much of this amount as may be necessary, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, is hereby authorized to be used for the purpose of rebuilding Memorial Hall, at Dayton, Ohio: *Provided further*, That General John M. Palmer, of Illinois, General William B. Franklin, of Connecticut, and General Charles W. Roberts, of Maine, are hereby appointed managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, to fill vacancies which occurred on the twenty-first day of April, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight; and General Martin T. McMahon, of New York, General John Love, of Indiana, and Maj. David C. Fulton, of Wisconsin, are hereby appointed managers of said National Home, to fill vacancies which occurred on the twenty-first day of April, eighteen hundred and eighty.

General Butler made an explanation in relation to the officers to be elected and the general condition of the Home, the methods of transacting the financial business and keeping the accounts.

Upon motion of Major Fulton, the board proceeded with the election of a president. Generals McMahon and Love were appointed tellers. A ballot was thereupon had, which resulted as follows:

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| General William B. Franklin ..... | 7 |
| General John M. Palmer .....      | 1 |

General Franklin was thereupon declared elected president of the board for the ensuing year, and having accepted the position at least for the present quarter, assumed the chair.

Upon motion of Colonel Harris, the board thereupon proceeded to the election of the other officers, with the following result:

For first vice-president, a ballot being had resulted as follows:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| General Palmer .....  | 3 |
| Colonel Harris .....  | 3 |
| General Coulter ..... | 1 |
| General McMahon ..... | 1 |

There being no choice, a second ballot was had, with the following result:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Colonel Harris .....  | 6 |
| General Coulter ..... | 1 |
| General Palmer .....  | 1 |
| General McMahon ..... | 1 |

Colonel Harris was thereupon declared duly elected first vice-president.

A ballot was thereupon had for second vice-president, resulting as follows:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Colonel Martin .....  | 2 |
| General McMahon ..... | 1 |
| General Coulter ..... | 4 |
| General Palmer .....  | 2 |

There being no choice, a second ballot was had, resulting as follows

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| General Coulter ..... | 5 |
| Colonel Martin .....  | 2 |
| General Palmer .....  | 1 |
| General McMahon ..... | 1 |

General Coulter was thereupon declared elected second vice-president.

The board proceeded at once to the election of a secretary: A ballot was had, resulting as follows:

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| General McMahon ..... | 7 |
| General Roberts ..... | 1 |
| Colonel Harris .....  | 1 |

General McMahon was thereupon declared duly elected secretary of the board.

Colonel Harris moved to postpone the election of a treasurer until the next regular meeting. Some discussion followed as to the manner of the appointment of a treasurer.

General Coulter suggested that he should be appointed by resolution of the board and not by ballot.

General Butler, the acting treasurer, made an explanation expressing his desire to be relieved, and suggested that a treasurer be elected or appointed to whom, when qualified, he would turn over the funds, and that in the mean time and until the new treasurer had qualified, he would continue to act if agreeable to the board.

The president read and called attention to Article VIII of the by-laws, which appeared to impose the duties of treasurer upon the president, and thought that the appointment of a treasurer could be dispensed with.

On motion of Colonel Harris, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That Major-General William B. Franklin be, and he is hereby, appointed the acting treasurer of the board, and that he give a bond in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, the said bond to be approved by the board and filed with the secretary; and

*Resolved*, That the registered bonds of the Home shall be delivered into the custody of General Franklin as acting treasurer of the board, to be held by him for the Home and until the further orders of the board.

On motion of Major Fulton, the acting treasurer, General Butler, was requested to continue to act until the president had duly qualified as acting treasurer.

Upon motion of General Coulter, it was resolved that the acting treasurer be authorized to pay to General Martindale, late secretary, the proper proportion of the sum allowed for compensation for clerical services, &c., for the secretary, and also his traveling expenses to attend the present meeting.

The board thereupon proceeded to consider applications for readmission to the Home, and remission of penalties, and for the effects of deceased inmates.

At 6 p. m. the board adjourned to meet at Togus, Maine, on the following day, July 10, at 11 a. m.

TOGUS, ME., July 10, 1880.

The board met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a. m., the same members being present as on the preceding day. General Butler, the late president and acting treasurer, was also present.

The board proceeded to consider applications for readmission to the Home, remission of penalties, and for the effects of deceased beneficiaries.

#### READMISSIONS TO CENTRAL BRANCH.

The following named soldiers, heretofore discharged, were, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

Frederick Mentz, late Company K, First Maryland Cavalry.

Peter Keelan, late Company L, First Illinois Light Artillery.

Jacob Schimpf, late Company D, First Maryland Volunteers.

Jeremiah Wildey, late Company E, One hundredth Ohio Volunteers.

John Rafferty, late Company G, Fifth Connecticut Volunteers.

Patrick Welch, late Company B, Hoffman Battalion, Ohio Volunteers.

Charles W. Lee, late Company A, Ninth United States Infantry, and L, Third New York Cavalry.

Archibald S. Palmer, late United States Navy.

Thomas Naylor, late Company H, Sixty-second New York Volunteers.  
 William Coulson, late Company C, Fourth Delaware Volunteers.  
 Hiram H. Hand, late Company C, Thirteenth New Jersey Volunteers.  
 Charles Fox, late Company C, Twenty-fourth Illinois Volunteers.  
 Peter Flynn, late Company B, Twelfth Michigan Volunteers.  
 Samuel Dillingham, late Company I, Forty-seventh Pennsylvania Vol-

unteers.  
 John Brown, late Company I, One hundred and fifty-third New York Volunteers, and F, Forty-second United States Infantry.

Frederick Berensden, late Company F, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

Henry Brown, late Company B, Eighth Illinois Volunteers.

Daniel Ockel, late Company G, Seventh New York, and D, One hundredth and seventy-eighth New York Volunteers.

Francis X. Kimmerly, late band Seventeenth Missouri Volunteers.

George Fromm, late Company I, Eighteenth Illinois Volunteers.

James Carr, late Company H, Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Simon O'Kane, late captain Company G, Seventeenth Wisconsin Volunteers.

John H. Sullivan, late Company F, Sixteenth Massachusetts Volunteers.

George McGovern, late Company A, Fifteenth New York Cavalry.

John Thistle, late Company M, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Montgomery L. Stephenson, late Company I, Fortieth Indiana Volunteers.

Alexander Wallace, late Company A, Eighteenth New York Volunteers.

John Dunn, late Company K, Fifty-eighth Illinois Volunteers.

Benjamin S. Riley, late Company H, Eighty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and C, Forty-second United States Infantry.

William Alexander, late Company G, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

John Baker, late Company B, Sixty-fifth New York Volunteers.

John Cannaman, late Company D, Thirty-fifth Illinois Volunteers.

Anthony Kiss, late Third New Jersey Light Artillery, Company C, Twenty-seventh Pennsylvania, and F, Thirty-ninth New York Volunteers.

Andrew Molean, late Company H, Twenty-eighth Kentucky Volunteers.

Patrick Daley, late Company F, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

Eli W. Smith, late Company I, One hundred and forty-first New York Volunteers.

The following named soldier was readmitted, subject to semi-annual examination as to his disability :

George Grabuth, late Company A, Twenty-eighth Ohio Volunteers.

The following named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the governor shall direct, without pay, for the periods set opposite their respective names :

Charles Jones, late Company G, One hundredth New York Volunteers, while in the Home.

Thomas C. Brown, late Company K, Thirty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, three months.

Conrad Fikle, late Company K, Sixty-second New York Volunteers, three months.

Patrick Murrin, late Company E, Ninth Ohio Volunteers, three months.

Josiah W. Collins, late Company I, One hundred and tenth Ohio Volunteers, three months.

William Loescher, late Company E, Fifteenth Missouri Volunteers, two months.

William Bender, late Company C, Fortieth Indiana Volunteers, two months.

James McManus, late Company D, Sixty-seventh Ohio Volunteers, one month.

James H. Atkins, late Company G, Eighty-ninth New York Volunteers, one month.

The following named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they severally make absolute assignments to the National Home of their pension money, as follows:

Peter Knoxville, late Company F, First Maryland Cavalry, one-quarter for two months.

John Linder, late Company I, Thirty-sixth Illinois Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Patrick Mullins, late Company K, Second Wisconsin Volunteers, one-half for two months.

George Nelson, late Company B, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers, one-half for six months.

Jacob Sutter, late Company K, Fifteenth Missouri Volunteers, one-half until further order of the board.

And the following named soldiers are readmitted upon the conditions severally attached to their names:

Daniel Coleman, late Company A, Eighty-second Ohio Volunteers, and H, Sixth United States Infantry, on condition that he assign, absolutely, one-half his pension to the National Home, and do such work as the governor may direct without pay, while an inmate of the Home.

Christian S. Rike, late Company G, Fourteenth Missouri, and G, Sixty-sixth Illinois Volunteers, on condition that he assign the whole of his pension to the treasurer as long as he remains in the Home, the same to be sent to the applicant's wife.

John H. Cotter, late Company F, Sixty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, on condition that he be not again discharged until he has paid his indebtedness to the Home.

Joseph Dowling, late Company C, Twentieth New York Volunteers, and C, Fourteenth United States Infantry, to be reported to Soldiers' Home at Washington.

Richard Capell, late Company D, Eleventh Massachusetts Light Artillery, without modification or remission of penalty heretofore imposed.

Peter Connor, late Company K, One hundred and thirty-sixth New York Volunteers, on condition that he pay his own transportation to the Home.

The following named soldiers having drawn arrears of pension and refused to turn over the same to the treasurer, as required by the rules, and thereupon left or were discharged from the Home, are readmitted under the rule adopted at the meeting of November, 1879 (printed minutes, page 565), provided they make an absolute assignment to the National Home of their entire pensions, respectively, until the further order of the board; and it is understood that no application to modify or remit the penalties herein imposed will be entertained until the conditions have been accepted and the applicant readmitted:

Anthony Hannapel, late Company A, Ninth New Jersey, and E, Seventieth Indiana Volunteers.

William Michael, late Company G, Forty-first New York Volunteers.  
 Stephen Maloy, late Company B, Twenty-first Connecticut Volunteers.

John Purcell, late Company G, Sixty-sixth Ohio Volunteers.

John B. Stewart, late Company H, Eighth New Jersey Volunteers.

The application of William Hanie, late Company C, Eleventh Indiana Volunteers, for readmission to the Home is denied.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The orders of the board heretofore made in the following cases are so far modified, upon application and for satisfactory reasons, as to allow the applicants therein respectively one-half of their pensions until the further orders of the board:

Thomas Curtis, late Company K, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

Edward J. Kavanaugh, late Company G, Thirty-ninth Ohio Volunteers.

Samuel Aldrich, late Company F, Third Michigan Volunteers.

The same modification is directed in the following cases, because of the good character and conduct of the applicants:

Richard Starkey, late Company L, Third Michigan Cavalry.

Theodore Shuster, late Company B, Eleventh Indiana Volunteers.

The following remissions and modifications are directed:

William K. Sweet, late Company A, First Rhode Island Light Artillery. Penalty remitted for good conduct.

John Brussow, late Company H, One hundred and eighth Ohio Volunteers. Penalty remitted from and after July 8, 1880.

Thomas Hinton, late Company I, Eighth New York Volunteers. Penalty remitted because of valuable services to the Home.

Russell F. Dimmick, late Company E, First Wisconsin Volunteers. One-half of penalty to be remitted and applicant allowed to remain at Central Branch.

John E. McGannon, late Company B, Fourth New Jersey Volunteers. Order heretofore made so far modified as to direct that the treasurer shall take the assignment of the entire pension of the applicant and transmit the same to his wife as long as he remains in the Home.

The application of Daniel Bonbright, late lieutenant, Company E, Eleventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, is referred to the governor, with instructions to furnish applicant with transportation to Deadwood, Dak.

The application in the following case for remission of the penalty is denied unless the applicant has a wife or child, in which case the amount of the penalty is to be transmitted by the treasurer to his wife or children, if any:

Andrew Robertson, late Company E, Seventy-ninth New York Volunteers.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The several applications of the following named persons are granted, and the treasurer is ordered to make payment accordingly, taking the necessary vouchers:

Phebe Kinyon, widow, for the effects of Phineas Kinyon, late Company A, Thirty-second Wisconsin Volunteers.

Jacob Wise, son, for effects of Valentine Wise, late Company I, Twenty-second Ohio Volunteers.

Jane Willey, widow, for effects of John R. Willey, late Company G, Eleventh Indiana Volunteers.

Dorah McCall, widow, for effects of Solomon McCall, late Company I, First Michigan Engineers.

Barbara Lukens, daughter, for effects of Frederick Links, late Company L, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Christian Born, brother, for effects of George Born, late Company G, Forty-fourth New York Volunteers.

Margaret Bruch, widow, for effects of Louis Bruch, late Company B, Fifty-eighth Ohio Volunteers.

Ann Boyle, daughter, for effects of Charles Boyle, late Company A, Fourth Michigan Volunteers.

Susanna Zahringer, widow, for effects of Englebert Zahringer, late Company B, Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Anton Kleespie, brother, for effects of Frank Kleespie, late Company H, Fifth Kentucky Volunteers, to the amount of expenses of last illness and funeral.

William Dietz, brother, for effects of Henry Dietz, late Company D, Sixth and Eighth New Jersey Volunteers, as to effects, not as to pension money.

A. M. Flohr, widow, for effects of Frederick Flohr, late Company H, Twenty-eighth Ohio Volunteers, on due proof of identity to the satisfaction of Col. L. A. Harris, local manager.

John Scott, brother, for effects of James Scott, late Company D, Sixty-first Illinois Volunteers, as to amount of funeral expenses, of which proof is furnished, and also as to expenses of last illness upon furnishing proof to the satisfaction of the local manager, Col. L. A. Harris.

And the applications of the four persons last above named as to the remaining effects are refused.

The application of Oscar S. Andross for effects of his deceased father is referred to Col. L. A. Harris, with power.

#### READMISSIONS TO NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

The following named soldiers, heretofore discharged, were for sufficient reasons readmitted unconditionally, viz :

Leopold Blechschmidt, late Company B, Second California Volunteers.

Gottlieb Blessing, late Company G, Seventy-second Illinois Volunteers.

Henry C. Chellenden, late Sturges' Rifles, Illinois Volunteers.

Wm. B. Denning, late Company F, Ninety-third Ohio Volunteers.

Barney Egan, late Company F, Ninety-first New York Volunteers.

Patrick Fitzgibbon, late Company I, First Wisconsin Cavalry.

William Gibson, late Company I, One hundred and eighth Ohio Volunteers.

Michael Lehey, late Company C, Seventeenth Wisconsin Volunteers.

Robert Mettler, late Company E, Fifteenth Missouri Volunteers.

Elmore S. Mason, late Company B, Ninth Indiana Volunteers.

William Newman, late Company A, Seventy-fifth New York Volunteers.

John B. Phillips, late Company K, Nineteenth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Henry R. Rogers, late Company B, First Illinois Light Artillery.

Frank Schweizer, late Company E, Sixtieth Illinois Volunteers.

John Shanley, late Company A, Seventy-sixth New York Volunteers.

Frederick Stade, late Company A, Fourteenth Wisconsin Volunteers.

David A. Vance, late Company B, Ninety-first Illinois Volunteers.

George Wood, late Company H, One hundred and fourteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

The following named soldiers are readmitted, on condition that they do such work as the deputy governor shall direct, without pay, for the periods set opposite their respective names:

Winfield S. Tomen, late Company H, Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, six months.

David Rothfus, late Company K, Twelfth Missouri Volunteers, six months.

John T. Edwards, late Company F, Twenty-first Iowa Volunteers, two months.

James Dunbar, late Company D, First Connecticut Volunteers (Mexican War), three months.

John Donahue, late Company G, Third Missouri Volunteers, two months.

The following named soldiers are readmitted, on condition, that they make absolute assignments of their pension money to the National Home, as follows:

George H. Bethard, late Company I, Forty-sixth Ohio Volunteers, three-fourths, until further orders of the board.

Artemus R. Carpenter, late Company C, Fifteenth Michigan Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Michael Decker, late Company E, Third Missouri Volunteers, one-fourth for two months.

John L. Dennison, late Company H, One hundred and thirty-ninth New York Volunteers, whole pension for four months.

Patrick Mullady, late Company C, Eighty-eighth New York Volunteers, one-half for four months.

Richard Spencer, late Company K, First Michigan Cavalry, one-half for three months.

John Scherbel, late Company G, Twelfth Missouri Volunteers, one-quarter for two months.

Michael Schmidt, late Company A, Fourteenth Indiana Volunteers, one-half for two months.

The following named soldier is readmitted, on condition that the whole of his pension shall be paid to his family:

William E. Raynor, late Company B, Fifty-first New York Volunteers.

The applications of the following named soldiers for readmission are denied:

James McCarthy, late Company D, Seventy-first New York Volunteers.

George McIver, late Company F, Fifty-first New York Volunteers.

#### NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The application of the following named soldier is denied:

Francis C. Shanley, late Company A, Sixth Minnesota Volunteers.

The application of the following named soldier is returned to Gen. Hinks, deputy governor, for investigation, and to report if applicant's statement is true or not:

John Hesson, late Company C, Eighty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers.

The application of Dennis Conley, late Company D, Twelfth Iowa Volunteers, is granted so far as to remit \$40 of the penalty, on account of good conduct and the recommendation of the deputy governor.

## NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The following applications for effects of deceased inmates are granted, and the treasurer is authorized to pay over the same, taking proper vouchers therefor:

Mrs. James Haydon, daughter, for effects of Walter Finleson, late Company I, First Wisconsin Volunteers.

Mrs. Fanny Werner, widow, for effects of John M. Werner, late Company C, Ninth Wisconsin Volunteers.

Mrs. Cassy Clark, widow, for effects of John Clark, late Company D, Twenty-sixth Illinois Volunteers; to be paid to widow at once.

The following case was referred to Maj. D. C. Fulton, local manager, for settlement:

Andrew Wilson, brother, for effects of Samuel W. Wilson, late surgeon Fourth Wisconsin Cavalry (formerly surgeon Eastern Branch).

## READMISSIONS TO EASTERN BRANCH.

The following soldiers, heretofore discharged, were for sufficient reasons readmitted unconditionally:

John D. Ryan, late Company K, Nineteenth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Bartholomew Sheehan, late Company A, Fifty-sixth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Michael McDermott, late Company E, Fourteenth Connecticut Volunteers.

Adam Herman, late Company B, One hundred and third New York Volunteers.

John H. Slawson, late Company F, Thirty-fourth New York Volunteers.

Francis Howard, late Company H, Fourth United States Infantry.

Thomas Clark, late Third Maine Battery.

James Dixon, late Company O, Twenty-fifth Connecticut Volunteers.

Patrick Doyle, late Company D, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

Thomas Tierney, late Company E, Thirty-seventh New York Volunteers.

George Johnson, late Company D, Second Massachusetts Volunteers.

John Mangan, late Company I, Sixteenth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Patrick B. Doherty, late Company H, Ninth Massachusetts Volunteers.

The following named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the deputy governor shall direct, without pay, for the periods set opposite their respective names:

Thomas Dowdell, late Company B, Thirtieth Massachusetts Volunteers, two months.

Henry Corking, late Company H, One hundred and seventieth New York Volunteers, three months.

The following named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they make absolute assignments of their pension moneys to the National Home, as follows:

John G. Cobb, late Company G, Fifty-ninth New York Volunteers, two-thirds for six months.

John A. Sheridan, late Company D, Fifth New York Volunteers, one-half for one year.

Peter Connor, late Company K, One hundred and thirty-sixth New York Volunteers, one-half for six months.

Charles Ring, late Company F, Thirty-first Massachusetts Volunteers, one-half for six months.

Calvin J. Sargeant, late Company C, First Kentucky Artillery, one-half for six months.

John Sloan, late Company A, Sixty-first New York Volunteers, one-half for three months.

Richard King, late Company F, Sixth Maine Volunteers, one-half for three months.

David McLaughlin, late Company F, One hundred and fifty-fifth New York Volunteers, one-half for three months.

Hiram A. Osborn, late Company H, One hundred and ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, one-half for three months.

The following named soldier, having drawn arrears of pension and refused to turn over the same to the treasurer, as required by the rules, and thereupon left or was discharged from the Home, is readmitted under the rules adopted at the meeting of November, 1879 (printed minutes, 565), provided he makes an absolute assignment to the National Home of his entire pension until the farther order of the board :

Robert Lynch, late Company F, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

The applications of the following named soldiers for readmission to the Home are denied :

Robert C. Horrigan, late Company I, Fifty-sixth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Jerry Noonan, late Company G, Thirty-first Maine Volunteers.

#### EASTERN BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The following application is granted, and the treasurer is ordered to make payment of the same, taking the necessary vouchers :

Carrie E. Brown, widow, for effects of John Walker, late Thirteenth New York Battery.

#### READMISSIONS TO SOUTHERN BRANCH.

The following named soldiers heretofore discharged, were for sufficient reasons readmitted unconditionally, viz :

James King, late Company B, Second Massachusetts Volunteers.

Robert Mansford, late Company H, First Virginia Volunteers.

John O'Neill, late Company I, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

George Caton, late Company H, Eleventh Michigan Volunteers.

Albert Seaman, late Company B, Seventh New York Volunteers.

James Dunn, late Company I, One hundred and twenty-first Ohio Volunteers.

Thomas Ledyet, late Company B, Eighth United States Infantry.

Edward Nolan, late Company I, One hundred and sixty-fourth New York Volunteers.

The following named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they shall do such work as the deputy governor shall direct, without pay, for the periods set opposite their respective names :

Charles Rosenan, late Company B, Twentieth Massachusetts Volunteers, nine months.

Lemuel Griffin, late Company I, Twenty-sixth New Jersey Volunteers, six months.

L. H. Edwards, late Company D, Third United States Infantry, three months.

The following named soldier is readmitted on condition that he make

absolute assignment of his pension money to the National Home, as follows:

Morris O. Sullivan, one-half for six months.

The following named soldier is readmitted on condition that he pays the penalty heretofore imposed:

J. L. Redette, late Company A, First Louisiana, Mexican War.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That hereafter no one will be readmitted to the Home who left or was discharged because of failure to turn over arrears of pension to the treasurer, as required by the rules, unless upon condition that he shall forfeit and assign to the Home all his pension until the further order of the board; and no application will be entertained by the board, in any case, for a modification of this rule until after its conditions have been complied with and the applicant readmitted in accordance therewith.

In the case of John F. Hassett, heretofore considered by the board, papers therein were submitted by General Coulter, with the recommendation that he be readmitted to the Northwestern Branch on condition that his pension shall be paid to his wife while he continues an inmate of the Home, and that he work for three months without pay. (See printed minutes, page 559.) This recommendation was adopted.

The board proceeded to the consideration of miscellaneous business. The application of Louis C. Heye for increase of salary was denied.

Upon motion of Major Fulton, authority is given to General Tilton, deputy governor of the Eastern Branch, to complete the purchase of the dock and property now leased by him as a coal wharf, in accordance with the stipulations contained in a certain "bond for a deed" executed by Daniel S. Tasker to the United States, under date of March 27, 1880, at a price not to exceed \$1,300.

#### MEMORIAL HALL.

On motion of the Chief Justice, the board proceeded to consider the plans for the rebuilding of Memorial Hall at the Central Branch.

On motion of the Chief Justice, it was

*Resolved*, That all matters connected with the rebuilding of Memorial Hall at the Central Branch be referred to General Love and Colonel Harris, with power to secure the erection of a hall at a cost not to exceed the amount appropriated by Congress, and the said amount, namely, \$30,000, is hereby named for the construction and equipment of the building.

The application for a new boiler for heating purposes at the Northwestern Branch was, on motion, referred to Major Fulton to investigate as to the necessity and cost, and with power to contract for the same, if in his judgment it seems advisable.

Major Fulton presented petitions of inmates of the Northwestern Branch, and letters and petitions of the citizens of Milwaukee, asking that General Hincks be retained as deputy governor, and that the action of the board heretofore taken, accepting his resignation, be reconsidered. General Coulter and Colonel Harris also presented papers in connection therewith.

On motion, the petition and papers were received and placed on file.

A letter of General Hincks, dated July 1, 1880, in relation to money deposited with him belonging to James Lamont, was received and read, and it was ordered, on motion, that the money referred to be transferred to the treasurer of the Central Branch, to be held by him under the same conditions under which it is now held by General Hincks.

A letter of General Hincks in relation to sewage, and a notification received from the board of health of Milwaukee, was referred to the

local manager, Major Fulton, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the board.

On motion of Major Fulton, the acting treasurer was authorized to remit to General Hincks \$2,200 and the accrued interest thereon, of the pension fund now invested in four per cents, to meet the payment of pensions to be made in July and August.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That the resolution heretofore passed for building and opening a road to be called "Home avenue," at the Central Branch, be rescinded and the appropriation therefor heretofore made, namely, \$3,000, be covered into the treasury.

Upon motion, it was

*Resolved*, That the application for the building of additional barracks at the Southern Branch, made by the deputy governor of that Branch, be referred to the visiting and auditing committee appointed for that Branch, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That the president of the Board of Managers be authorized to make such arrangements for out-door relief in the cities of New York, Boston, Washington, and Cincinnati, by maintaining offices in those cities, as he shall deem best, and report his action in the matter at the next meeting of the board.

On motion of General Roberts, it was

*Resolved*, That it may hereafter be deemed expedient either to make some radical change in relation to the making of shoes at the the Eastern Branch or possibly discontinue that branch of manufacturing altogether; and it was further resolved, that the subject be referred to the local manager of the above Branch in connection with the deputy governor thereof for further deliberation, the result to be reported to the Board of Managers.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee, of three be appointed to investigate and report at the next meeting of the board on the subject of clothing for the Home, the president of the board to be the chairman of the committee.

The president thereupon appointed the Secretary of the board and General Coulter as the other members of such committee.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee, to consist of the president of the board, the Secretary of War, and the Chief Justice, be appointed to prepare the estimates for the support of the Home or the year ending June 30, 1881, and to submit the same to the Secretary of War on or before the first of August, next.

#### ESTIMATES AND APPROPRIATIONS.

The president presented to the board the estimates of funds required for the purposes of the Home for the quarter ending September 30, 1880, which, after careful consideration and revision, were agreed upon, as follows:

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| For clothing .....   | \$50,000 00       |
| Boots and shoes .....  | 14,000 00         |
| Incidental expenses of Board of Managers, and out-door relief..... | 4,000 00          |
| Eastern Branch, current expenses and repairs .....                 | 36,000 00         |
| Purchase of coal wharf, &c .....                                   | 1,300 00          |
| Northwestern Branch, current expenses and repairs.....             | 27,600 00         |
| Southern Branch, current expenses and repairs .....                | 23,000 00         |
| Central Branch, current expenses and repairs .....                 | 137,000 00        |
| Purchase of land .....   | 5,000 00          |
| Stairway in hospital.....  | 1,000 00          |
| Water supply .....   | 3,000 00          |
| Rebuilding Memorial Hall.....                                      | 30,000 00         |
| <b>Total .....</b>   | <b>331,900 00</b> |

The following resolution was thereupon adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers estimate and appropriate the sum of \$331,900 as necessary to meet the current expenses of the four Branches of the Home for the quarter ending September 30, 1880, and for construction, repairs, and out-door relief, and incidental expenses of the Home for the quarter; and that the president of the board be, and he is hereby, authorized, empowered, and instructed to make requisition upon the Treasury of the United States for said sum to be paid to General Benj. F. Butler, acting treasurer of the Board of Managers, who is authorized to receive and receipt for the same in the name and behalf of the National Home.

#### VISITING AND AUDITING COMMITTEES.

The following visiting and auditing committees were thereupon appointed by the board:

*Eastern Branch.*—General Coulter and General McMahan.

*Northwestern Branch.*—General Palmer and General Love.

*Southern Branch.*—Colonel Harris and General Roberts.

*Central Branch.*—Colonel Martin and Major Fulton.

The board thereupon adjourned, to meet at the same place at ten o'clock, July 10.

TOGUS, ME., July 10, 1880.

The board met pursuant to adjournment, at 10 a. m., and proceeded, in company with the deputy governor, to make a thorough inspection of the Home.

Upon the conclusion of the inspection, the board resumed its session. On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That the next meeting of the board should be at the Central Branch, Dayton, Ohio, on the 21st of September, 1880, at 11 a. m.

Thereupon, on motion, the board adjourned.

Subsequent to the adjournment, all the inmates of the Home were assembled by the deputy governor in the Amusement Hall and were visited by the board, when addresses were made by the late president, General Butler, General Franklin, the Chief Justice, and other members.

M. T. McMAHON.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

CENTRAL BRANCH, NEAR DAYTON, OHIO,  
September 21, 1880—(11 a. m.)

The Board of Managers convened in regular quarterly meeting. Present: General William B. Franklin, president of the Board; Hon. Morrison R. Waite, Chief Justice of the United States; Col. L. A. Harris, General Richard Coulter, General Charles W. Roberts, Col. John A. Martin, Maj. David C. Fulton, General John Love, and General Martin T. McMahan.

After inspection of the men on parade, the board repaired to the temporary Amusement Hall, and were formally received by the governor, in presence of the inmates.

The governor delivered the following address:

MR. PRESIDENT, AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS: I confess to great embarrassment in addressing you—most of you for the first time—and you will pardon

me if I fail to present to you in a proper manner and in few words the four thousand veterans of the Home who have here assembled to greet and welcome you. This, gentlemen, is our annual holiday, and is looked forward to from year to year as one of our bright, enjoyable days, relieving the monotony of our soldier-life as does no other day in the whole year. You see assembled before you a remnant of the great Army of 1861-'65, whose hardships you shared and can fully appreciate. The nation says to you, "These are my jewels," representatives of every battle-field, wounded, sick, and feeble with age and infirmities; they come here to-day to greet and welcome you, and to ask of you the tender sympathy which they know you have stored up for them. It is now almost twenty years—nearly a score—since these men first buckled on the knapsack and shouldered the musket, and some of them were not boys at that time; and age, with hardships, and sometimes want and hunger, reveal to you a sea of gray hairs, and in many cases prematurely so, and from causes easy to imagine. A few more years, and yonder cemetery will claim them all, and your work will then be ended so far as relates to them. A generous government has placed the means in your hands for making these men comfortable and comparatively happy during the short time allotted to them on earth. They have served their country in its time of need, and the people, the government, all demand that they be cared for tenderly. It becomes your duty as managers to secure this end, and we have no fear that this duty will be neglected. I am sure, Mr. President, you will pardon me if I include in the hearty welcome extended to you and other members of your board, one whose face has been familiar to us for fifteen years, and whom I see with you to-day, General Butler. His presence has always been greeted with pleasure, and to-day not less than formerly. For him and his faithful associates in the board, whose places you have taken, we have the most profound respect. (Turning to General Butler, Governor Brown said): To you, sir, whose annual visit here for fifteen years is recalled with so much pleasure, I desire to say a word. It has not escaped our notice that recently your great efforts in behalf of the disabled veterans have been adversely criticised. In this Branch, sir, such criticisms are treated with the contempt they deserve. The four thousand veterans assembled here to-day will as one man repel these unjust attacks. In parting with you, sir, the officers and veterans of the Central Branch stand up and with one voice proclaim the honesty of your every word, act, and deed, and we brand as villainous the efforts to belie your unimpeachable character in connection with these homes for the disabled veterans. This defense is not needed, but I have felt it a duty and a pleasure to place the Central Branch on the record as not in sympathy with these cowardly assaults, and your presence here to-day has presented the opportunity. (Turning to General Franklin, Governor Brown added, Mr. President: We now present to you the men of this Home. The task of caring for their interests is in your hands, and we have the fullest confidence that you will find it a pleasant and agreeable work. Again, I extend to you the hearty welcome of officers and men of the Central Branch, and pledge you their united efforts to aid in carrying on the work you have to do, and I am sure we may hope for your faithful efforts for our greatest good.

Addresses were also delivered by the president of the board, by the late president, General B. F. Butler, who accompanied the board, and by other members.

The board then proceeded to the office of the governor.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Chief Justice moved that the minutes be corrected, so that the resolution referring to the bond of the acting treasurer (printed minutes, p. 593), may read:

The said bond to be approved by the Secretary of War, and filed with the secretary of the board;

these words to be inserted in place of the words:

The said bond to be approved by the board and filed with the secretary.

The motion was adopted, and the minutes as read and amended were approved.

The president appointed the following committee to audit the accounts of the late acting treasurer, General B. F. Butler; General Coulter, Colonel Harris, and Colonel Martin.

The secretary presented the bond of General W. B. Franklin, as acting treasurer, which had been duly executed, and approved by the Secretary of War. The board thereupon ordered the said bond to be accepted, and filed with the secretary of the board.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The following reports of committees were presented, accepted, and ordered to be filed.

General Love, from the committee appointed at the last meeting in relation to the rebuilding of Memorial Hall, reported as follows:

DAYTON, OHIO, *September 21, 1880.*

To the Hon. BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR D. V. S.:

GENTLEMEN: Pursuant to your appointment as a committee to rebuild Memorial Hall, the undersigned met at the Central Branch on the 23d of last July. After a thorough examination of the entire question with Colonel Brown, the governor, and Captain Giddinger, the architect, the plans presented by Oscar Cobb, esq., of Chicago, were accepted, and the building is commenced on the old foundations, and now partially under contract to be rebuilt within the appropriation; all the plans, contracts, and specifications being on file at the Central Branch.

JOHN LOVE,  
L. A. HARRIS.

General Love also reported from the auditing committee of the Northwestern Branch that the committee had duly audited the accounts of the said Northwestern Branch, from July 1, 1879, to June 30, 1880, and found the same correct, with proper vouchers.

Colonel Martin presented the report of the auditing committee of the Central Branch, as follows:

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Central Branch would respectfully report, that we have examined the books and accounts of the treasurer and find them correct, and supported by proper vouchers, except voucher No. 104, abstract C, which was not produced. The treasurer, however, satisfied your committee that the amount, \$14, had been paid, by producing the check properly indorsed and returned after payment. The party to whom this bill was paid, after receiving his money, refused to sign and return the proper voucher.

The treasurer also submitted to your committee vouchers No. 55, abstract L, No. 93, L, and 174, A, noted as absent in the report of the auditing committee of February 24, 1879, and voucher No. 29, for the sum of \$327.26, noted as absent in the report of the auditing committee dated March 10, 1880.

The books of the treasurer show funds on hand, June 30, 1880, as follows, viz:

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| General fund.....    | \$6,241 26 |
| Pension fund.....    | 12,889 54  |
| Posthumous fund..... | 1,064 30   |
| Contingent fund..... | 2,330 37   |
| Store fund.....      | 260 81     |

The committee were also shown and examined United States four per cent. bonds in the hands of the treasurer, as follows:

|                                   |         |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Belonging to posthumous fund..... | \$8,100 |
| Belonging to pension fund.....    | 66,300  |
| Total.....                        | 74,400  |

The books of the secretary show that on the 30th of June the store account was as follows:

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Merchandise in store.....      | \$5,139 36 |
| Merchandise in restaurant..... | 1,238 47   |
| Fixtures in store.....         | 113 63     |
| Fixtures in restaurant.....    | 5,857 39   |
| Total.....                     | 12,347 85  |

On the same date the liabilities of the store fund were \$9,987.75.

Your committee would report that they found it impossible, in the short time which they have been able to give to the examination, to make any adequate investigation of the accounts of the store fund. They are of the opinion, however, that a more complete system of keeping the store-fund account could be devised. Captain Lough has recently improved and systematized the manner of keeping this account, but still further improvements might be made. The store funds and accounts at all of the

Homes are steadily growing in amounts and importance, and deserve more attention than they have heretofore received.

JOHN A. MARTIN.  
D. C. FULTON.

General Coulter reported from the committee of audit of the Eastern Branch that the accounts of the Eastern Branch had been duly audited by the committee from the 1st of July, 1879, and had been found correct, with proper vouchers.

General Coulter, from the committee appointed to audit the accounts of the late acting treasurer, reported as follows:

SOLDIERS' HOME, DAYTON, OHIO, *September 21, 1880.*

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of General B. F. Butler, late acting treasurer, report that they have audited his accounts as acting treasurer of the Home for money appropriated by Congress, from the 30th day of June, 1880, to the present date, and found the same correct and supported by proper vouchers. The balance in his hands due the Home is \$892.23, which sum General Butler has paid to the present acting treasurer, General William B. Franklin, by check on the assistant treasurer of the United States at Boston.

R. COULTER,  
L. A. HARRIS,  
JNO. A. MARTIN,  
*Committee.*

The president presented the following report from the former committee on clothing, which had come into his possession since the last meeting of the board:

NEW YORK CITY, *April 26, 1880.*

The committee of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, charged with the duty of contracting for clothing under the resolution of the board, passed at the last meeting held in Washington on the 30th of March, 1880, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the estimates of the several branches for clothing and bedding for the fiscal year beginning July first next be referred to the committee on clothing to ascertain if it will be for the interests of the Home to extend existing contracts for such articles as cannot be manufactured at either of the branches; and, if so, to make such contracts and on such terms as may be most advantageous to the Home, exchanging for the clothing and bedding so contracted for the equivalents the Home is entitled to receive from the Quartermaster's Department of the Army now due, or that may become due, during said fiscal year."

They have caused proposals to be called for by those engaged in the business of dealing in the class of clothing, bedding, and supplies with whom the board has formerly, and it is believed advantageously, contracted, and obtained the terms upon which the clothing called for by the requisitions of the several branches for the fiscal year next ensuing can be furnished, taking in exchange therefor such suits or their equivalent in condemned clothing which, under the resolution of Congress, comes from the surplus of unserviceable clothing of the United States Army at the price at which the worth of those equivalents is fixed by the board of survey of the Quartermaster's Department at which they came to the National Home.

Your committee believe that advertising for a supply of clothing would be of no advantage to the Home, because the contract which is necessary to be made is not one of purchase simply for which advertising perhaps might be well made, but one for the exchange of condemned clothing which comes to the Home in part payment for supplies needed by the Home. In other words, it is a contract of barter, and in case of advertising would necessarily have to be divided, and first the condemned clothing which we receive would have to be advertised to be sold and the supplies of clothing would have to be advertised to be bought. Your committee are convinced that an attempted sale by advertisement, of our equivalents of condemned clothing would be substantially fruitless, for all the equivalents that we can get are of the very smallest sizes and are substantially valueless in the market. They can be added to a stock of larger sizes, and in that way worked off by the dealer, so as to yield, as undoubtedly they might in that manner, a profit to him, while the price in the market, for the simple article itself, would be very small. Therefore, your committee have concluded, as a result to accept the proposal of Pitken & Thomas for the clothing and a portion of the bedding, and the proposal of John S. Holden & Co. for white blankets, being the same prices at which the same quality of clothing and bedding was furnished the Home under the last contract, they being respectively the lowest bidders, and to give in part payment therefor the equivalents we receive from the Quartermaster's Department at the value at which they come to us as fixed by the War Department.

We, therefore, direct the president to enter into contracts with the parties named, upon the usual terms, secured by the proper bond for its performance, for the clothing and bedding required by the Home for the coming year; and said contract is to contain a provision that this contract shall not bind the Home to pay until there is an appropriation of money for the next fiscal year, made by Congress, sufficient to carry it out. And also the usual provision to be added, that the clothing must be delivered and pass on inspection of the board of survey of the several Homes, both as to quality and condition, and be fully up to the standard heretofore required. Provided further, that the clothing so contracted for shall not exceed in cost the prices paid by the Quartermaster's Department for like articles, it being understood by the committee that the proposals are for a less amount than these prices.

Your committee have made no provision for stockings, boots, shoes, hospital slippers, iron bedsteads, hair pillows, and hair mattresses for hospital purposes, because, in pursuance of the policy heretofore recommended by them, which is being gradually carried out, to have all supplies of this character ultimately manufactured at the Homes that we need, and it had already been provided that the above-mentioned articles be manufactured at the different branches of the Home. And your committee again respectfully repeat the recommendation made in former reports, that it would be wise to take such preliminary steps during the coming fiscal year as may be deemed advisable to make all clothing and bedding required for the use of the Home at some one or other of its branches.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER.  
JOHN H. MARTINDALE.  
FREDERICK SMYTH.

The president also reported, from the committee appointed at the last meeting on the subject of clothing, that contracts had been duly entered into as recommended in the preceding report prior to the last meeting; which said contracts covered the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881.

Major Fulton, to whom was referred at the last meeting the question of the construction of boilers for the new hospital building at the Northwestern Branch, reported that he had, under the authority conferred by the board authorized General Hinks, the deputy governor, to cause the work to be done at an expense not to exceed forty-three hundred dollars. The report was received and placed on file.

Major Fulton, to whom was also referred the communication of General Hinks of July 1, 1880, inclosing an order from the commissioner of health of the City of Milwaukee, reported that no further action was required in relation to the same.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

On motion, it was ordered that the resolution adopted July 2, 1877 (printed minutes, page 405), which requires the investment of 90 per cent. of the pension moneys on deposit with the treasurers and acting-treasurers of the several Branches of the National Home be so modified as to require the investment of at least 75 per cent. of such money in the manner indicated in said resolution.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That the four per cent. bonds now registered in the name of Benjamin F. Butler, acting treasurer, shall be transferred to the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the use of the particular Branch to which they belong. And that the treasurers and acting treasurers of the several Branches are hereby authorized to draw the interest as it matures on the bonds held for their several Branches.

*Resolved*, That the acting treasurer of the board is hereby authorized to sell such of the bonds now registered in the name of Benjamin F. Butler, acting treasurer, as may be necessary to settle the pension accounts between the Branches.

On motion, it was ordered that the matter of keeping the accounts of the store and amusement funds at the Central Branch be referred to Colonel Harris, local manager, with authority to employ a competent person to suggest a suitable system for keeping the same; such sugges-

tion, if approved by Colonel Harris, to be reported at the next meeting of the board.

PETITIONS.

The committee representing the Dayton and Soldiers' Home Railroad Company presented a petition for permission to establish a station upon the grounds of the Central Branch, at a point indicated in said petition.

On motion, the matter was referred to General Coulter, General Roberts, and Colonel Harris, to examine and report in regard to the proposed location of the station and the point of entrance of the road on the grounds of the Home.

The following communication was presented, and, on motion, referred to Colonel Harris and General Love, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the board:

DAYTON, OHIO, September 21, 1880.

*To the Hon. Board of Managers of the National Asylum for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers:*

GENTLEMEN: We have reason to believe that a subscription sufficient to build a grand avenue, one hundred feet wide, from the Home to this city, costing \$12,000 to \$15,000, can be secured from the citizens of Dayton and vicinity, if you aid them by appropriating \$3,000 as a donation towards that object.

Very respectfully,

R. I. CUMMIN,  
*Chairman of Citizens' Committee.*

After consideration of applications for readmission, and remission of penalties, the board adjourned at 5 p. m., to meet the following day at 10 a. m.

SEPTEMBER 22—10 a. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, the same members.

The committee to whom was referred the application of the Dayton and Soldiers' Home Railroad Company, reported that the matter should be further referred to another committee to make a careful examination of the whole subject, and report at the next meeting of the board.

The report was accepted, and the subject referred to Colonel Harris and General Love, as recommended, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the board.

The board proceeded to the consideration of applications for readmission, and remission of penalties, and spent a large portion of the day in hearing personal statements of the inmates.

The board then adjourned to 10 a. m., September 23.

SEPTEMBER 23—10 a. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment.

General Love, at his own request, was excused from further attendance in consequence of important public business requiring his attention elsewhere.

General Coulter presented the following resolution:

The Board of Managers recognize the fact that the business of the National Home has increased to such an extent as to render necessary an officer of sufficient experience, but free from the cares and duties of the local management of any of the Homes, who shall have authority to visit and inspect the several Branches, thereby securing uniformity of government and practice throughout the institution; and it is therefore,

*Resolved*, That the office of inspector-general be, and is hereby, established, the duties

of which office shall be to visit from time to time the several Branches, inspect the same and report thereon to the president, and perform such other duties as shall be assigned to him by the president or by the board, and his compensation is hereby fixed at \$3,000 per annum.

*Resolved*, That in consideration of his long and faithful services and his experience and intimate acquaintance with the business of the institution, Col. E. F. Brown is hereby appointed inspector-general of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, to take effect from this date.

After some discussion it was resolved that the resolutions be divided. A vote was taken on the first resolution creating the office of inspector-general. The ayes and noes were called for. The vote resulted as follows :

**AYES.**—Colonel Harris, General Coulter, General Roberts, Major Fulton, General McMahan, General Franklin.

**NOES.**—The Chief Justice, Colonel Martin.

The resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

A vote was then taken on the second resolution, appointing Colonel Brown to the position of inspector-general.

The ayes and noes were called for, and resulted as follows :

**AYES.**—Colonel Harris, General Coulter, Colonel Martin, General Roberts, Major Fulton, General McMahan, General Franklin.

The Chief Justice was, upon his own request, excused from voting.

The resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

The president appointed Colonel Harris and Major Fulton a committee to notify Colonel Brown of his appointment.

The committee retired, and subsequently reported that they had notified Colonel Brown of his appointment, and that he had signified his acceptance of the office.

The president thereupon moved that the board proceed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the appointment of Colonel Brown, and he nominated, for the position of governor of the Central Branch, General M. R. Patrick, of New York.

The motion was adopted.

No other nominations being made, the board proceeded to vote.

The ayes and noes were called and resulted as follows:

**AYES.**—Colonel Harris, General Coulter, General Roberts, Major Fulton, General McMahan, and General Franklin.

**NOES.**—The Chief Justice and Colonel Martin.

General Patrick was thereupon declared duly elected governor of the Central Branch.

Colonel Harris, at his own request, was excused from further attendance on account of pressing business.

The president appointed General McMahan and General Coulter a committee to notify General Patrick of his appointment.

The committee withdrew, and subsequently reported that they had duly notified General Patrick, and that he had signified his acceptance of the appointment.

It was ordered, on motion, that the board proceed to the election of the deputy governor of the Northwestern Branch in place of General E. W. Hinks, resigned.

The following nominations were made:

The Chief Justice nominated Major Fleming, of Ohio.

General McMahan nominated General Jacob Sharpe, of New Jersey.

A vote was ordered, and resulted as follows:

For Maj. R. E. Fleming: The Chief Justice and Colonel Martin.

For General Sharpe: General Coulter, General Roberts, Major Fulton, General McMahan, and General Franklin.

General Sharpe was thereupon declared duly elected deputy governor of the Northwestern Branch.

General Coulter moved—

That Dr. A. H. Stephens, of Eaton, Ohio, be and he is hereby appointed surgeon of the Central Branch, to take effect from the first day of October, 1880, in place of Dr. J. M. Weaver.

On this resolution the ayes and noes were called, and resulted as follows:

**AYES.**—General Coulter, General Roberts, Major Fulton, General McMahon, and General Franklin.

**NOES.**—The Chief Justice and Colonel Martin.

The board, after consideration of miscellaneous business and inspection of the hospital, barracks, and other buildings, adjourned at 4 p. m., to meet at the Northwestern Branch, at Milwaukee, Wis., on September 24, at 2 p. m.

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NORTHWESTERN BRANCH, *September 24, 1880*—2 p. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: The same members, with the exception of General Love and Colonel Harris.

The president presented estimates for the quarter ending December 31, 1880, which, after careful revision, were agreed upon, as follows:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| For out-door relief and incidental expenses.....           | \$4,000 00 |
| For clothing and bedding.....                              | 25,000 00  |
| Central Branch, for current expenses and repairs.....      | 150,000 00 |
| Eastern Branch, for current expenses and repairs.....      | 28,600 00  |
| Southern Branch, for current expenses and repairs.....     | 27,800 00  |
| Northwestern Branch, for current expenses and repairs..... | 28,000 00  |
| Total.....   | 263,400 00 |

Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers estimate and appropriate, out of the moneys which may be provided by law, the sum of \$263,400 as necessary to meet the current expenses of the four branches of the home for the quarter ending December 31, 1880, and for construction, repairs, clothing and bedding, out-door relief, and incidental expenses of the National Home for the quarter; and that the acting treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to take such measures as may be necessary to obtain the sum of \$263,400, the amount so appropriated from the Treasury of the United States, and to receipt for the same in the name and behalf of the National Home.

Upon motion of General Coulter it was ordered that the deputy governor of the Northwestern Branch be authorized to purchase a portrait of Dr. E. B. Wolcott, late manager, deceased, at a price not to exceed \$125, and to procure a suitable frame for the same; such portrait to be retained at the Northwestern Branch.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That Colonel E. F. Brown, inspector-general for the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, shall, under the direction of the president of the Board of Managers, take such measures as shall be deemed best to dispose of such clothing as shall be found to be unserviceable at the several branches.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

Major Fulton offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

The members of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, having recently visited and inspected the Homes at Dayton, Ohio, Mil-

waukee, Wis., and Togus, Me., deem it appropriate to express their satisfaction with the conduct and general management of these institutions, and especially to commend the zeal, ability, and integrity manifested in the building and organization of such munificent Homes for disabled soldiers of the war for the Union.

It is evident that the generous appropriations made by Congress for this purpose, and expended by our predecessors, have been honestly disbursed, and we take this occasion to place on record our high appreciation of the conspicuous industry, efficiency, and integrity with which the retiring president, General B. F. Butler, and his old associates on the Board of Managers, have discharged the important trusts committed to their hands.

On motion, it was ordered that Captain Woodfin, deputy governor of the Southern Branch, be authorized to lease certain grounds for pasturage, as recommended by him, to the extent of one hundred acres, at a price not to exceed \$3 an acre per annum.

The president submitted the following estimates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1882, with the information that he had duly transmitted them to the Secretary of War:

*Estimates for support of National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, for fiscal year ending June 30, 1882.*

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Current expenses, including construction and repairs and clothing, at the Central Branch, Dayton, Ohio.....             | \$678,463 88 |
| Current expenses, including construction and repairs and clothing, at the Eastern Branch, near Augusta, Mo.....         | 162,611 25   |
| Current expenses, including construction and repairs and clothing, at the Northwestern Branch, near Milwaukee, Wis..... | 136,408 00   |
| Current expenses, including construction and repairs and clothing, at the Southern Branch, Hampton, Va.....             | 126,722 00   |
| Outdoor relief and incidental expenses.....   | 15,000 00    |
| Total.....  | 1,119,205 13 |

After consideration of miscellaneous business the board proceeded to make an inspection of the grounds and buildings of the Home.

On motion of General Coulter, it was ordered that when the board adjourn it shall be to meet at the Surgeon-General's Office in the city of Washington, on Tuesday, the 14th day of December, 1880, at 11 a. m.

#### READMISSIONS TO CENTRAL BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers heretofore discharged, were, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

Elijah Atwood, late Company E, Thirty-third New York Volunteers, and Company F, Third New York Cavalry.

Richard H. Bell, late Company B, Twelfth Michigan Volunteers.

Joel L. Butler, late Company A, Ninth Connecticut Volunteers.

Thomas Carmichael, late Company C, First New Jersey Volunteers.

William B. Cooper, late Company C, Fifteenth New York Engineers.

Henry Curtis, late Nineteenth Ohio Battery.

John Duffy, late Company F, Fifteenth New York Cavalry.

Alexander L. Fleming, late Company E, Sixth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Joel Florey, late Company H, Fifth Ohio Cavalry.

Frederick Fink, late Company A, First Ohio Heavy Artillery.

Daniel Fitzgerald, late Company M, First Massachusetts Heavy Artillery.

John M. Garrison, late Company B, Thirty-fifth Ohio Volunteers.

Ira Gordon, late Company F, One hundred and twenty-fourth New York Volunteers.

William H. Hardin, late Company C, Twenty-fifth Indiana Volunteers.

Henry Hooker, late Company C, Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and Company C, Eleventh Pennsylvania Cavalry.

John S. Hawley, late Company L, Third New York Cavalry.

Richard Hardin, late Company I, Eighty-second Pennsylvania, and Company G, Fourteenth Illinois Volunteers.

William Jones, late Company E, One hundred and ninety-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

William Kelley, late Company C, Tenth Vermont Volunteers.

Jacob Kuntz, late Company I, Twenty-sixth Ohio Volunteers.

Patrick Maynes, late Company F, Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Jacob Mathias, late Company K, Twenty-seventh Indiana Volunteers.

John Martin, late Company E, Thirty-third New York Volunteers.

James Moody, late Seventeenth Ohio Battery.

Maurice Springman, late Company H, One hundred and eighth Ohio Volunteers.

Charles Rahm, late Company D, Second United States Infantry.

Henry G. Ochs, late Company H, Fifty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Martin Schill, late Company D, First Missouri Engineers.

George Schuck, late Company E, One hundred and eighty-third Ohio Volunteers, and D, Tenth Ohio Volunteers.

William Schmidt, late Company D, Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery.

Frederick Sutton, late Company H, Eleventh Ohio Cavalry.

Patrick Slattery, late Company A, Sixteenth New York Cavalry, and Company G, Forty-second United States Infantry.

William Condon, late Company H, Fifty-eighth Illinois Volunteers.

Patrick O'Mahley, late Company K, Twenty-second Illinois Volunteers.

Dennis Powers, late Company E, Thirty-fifth Indiana Volunteers.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the governor may direct without pay for the period set opposite their respective names:

Charles Platt, late Company H, Twenty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and Company G, forty-second United States Infantry, six months.

Harrison W. Jones, late Company K, Seventy-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, six months.

Charles Geltner, late Company M, First Pennsylvania Cavalry, three months.

Henry F. Jacobi, late N. C. S., One hundred and fifty-eighth New York Volunteers, two months.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they severally make absolute assignments to the National Home of their pension money, as follows:

James Thornton, late Company G, First Pennsylvania Artillery, and Company K, First United States Cavalry, one-half for one year.

James Maley, late Company H, Seventh Connecticut Volunteers, one-half for six months.

David L. Shoals, late Company E, First New York Cavalry, one-quarter for six months.

John Maguire, late Company D and F, Second New York Volunteers, the whole for two months, leniency accorded because of giving up pension voluntarily to Home.

William Jackson, late Company I, Second Kentucky Volunteers, and Company II, Second Ohio Artillery, the whole for two months.

Alexander Chalmers, late Company F, Fifth Vermont Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Fred. F. Drake, late Company G, One hundred and fifty-first New York Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Michael O'Dowd, late Company H, Second United States Artillery, and Company C, First United States Artillery, one-quarter for two months.

And the following-named soldiers are readmitted upon the conditions severally attached to their names:

John Frechill, late Company G, Fourth New York Volunteers, on condition that he work until transportation is paid:

Alexander Ferguson, late Company G, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, on condition that he pay his own transportation.

Henry Buhler, late Company G, Seventh New York Volunteers, on condition that he pay his own transportation and work without pay for three months.

Henry Van Trees, late Company I, Sixty-fifth Indiana Volunteers, transportation to be furnished on receipt of his pension certificate and charged against him.

Charles Cole, late Company E, Fourteenth New York Volunteers, on condition that he assign his pension to his family until further order of the board.

John Conway, late Company K, Twenty-fifth New York Volunteers, on condition that he assign his pension to his family until further orders.

William F. Leslie, late Company F, Forty-eighth Indiana Volunteers, subject to semi-annual examination.

William Lyda, late Company K, Ninety-seventh Ohio Volunteers, on condition that he pay his own transportation and furnish satisfactory proof that he is now disabled sufficiently to entitle him to the Home.

Charles Gallagher, late Company G, First Pennsylvania Artillery, subject to semi-annual examination.

William H. Monroe, late Company K, Second Indiana Cavalry, on condition that he pay his own transportation.

James Saunders, late United States Navy, on condition that he pay his own transportation from his pension.

Samuel Gibson, late Company B, Eighteenth Maine Volunteers, on condition that he pay his own transportation.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted under the rule adopted at the meeting of November, 1879 (printed minutes, page 565):

Theodore Binet, late Company A, Ninety-third Ohio Volunteers.

George W. Day, late Company F, Eleventh Ohio Volunteers, and Company C, One hundred and twenty-eighth Ohio Volunteers.

William Gully, late Company E, Thirty-ninth New York Volunteers.

Alexander Flack, late Company D, Twenty-fifth New York Volunteers.

Ogden M. Clow, late Company I, Twenty-third Ohio Volunteers.

Henry Steinhoff, late Company F, Ninety-third Ohio Volunteers.

Frederick Schneider, late Company C, Twenty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers.

The application of the following-named soldiers for readmission to the Home are denied:

Lewden S. Allen, late Company G, Thirty-ninth Ohio Volunteers.

William Hanie, late Company C, Eleventh Indiana, and Company K, One hundred and fifty-fourth Illinois Volunteers.

## CENTRAL BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The following remissions and modifications are directed :

William Sippy, late Company C, First United States Colored Troops. Penalty remitted, to be sent to applicant's wife.

John Tewey, late Company F, Fifth New York Volunteers. Penalty remitted, to be sent to petitioner's children.

Mathew Leach, late Company C, Fiftieth Illinois Volunteers. Penalty remitted, to be expended for the benefit of applicant's family.

John B. Stewart, late Company H, Eighth New Jersey Volunteers. Penalty remitted.

Owen McManus, late Company F, Twenty-fourth New York Volunteers. Penalty remitted for good conduct in the Home.

Josephus F. Rial, late Company A, Twenty-fifth Ohio Volunteers. Penalty remitted, applicant being totally deaf and almost blind.

John F. Weidle, late Company G, Twenty-ninth Ohio Volunteers. Penalty remitted for good record in the Home.

John H. Bolsmeyer, late Company K, Twenty-fifth Ohio Volunteers. Penalty remitted from September 21, 1880.

Anthony Dean, late Company A, Twenty-sixth New York Volunteers. Penalty remitted from October 1, 1880.

Andrew Robertson, late Company E, Seventy-ninth New York Volunteers. Penalty remitted by board at last meeting, to be sent to wife or child. Having neither living, the treasurer is authorized to pay amount of penalty direct to applicant.

Thomas Gillespie, late Company K, Forty-second Illinois Volunteers. Penalty remitted, because applicant desires to send money to his crippled brother.

John Cochrane, late Company B, Fifth New Hampshire Volunteers. Penalty remitted on recommendation of governor.

The consideration of the petitions for remission of penalties in the following cases was postponed until the next meeting of the board, when they will be again presented, with report as to the conduct of applicant:

Jacob Sutter, late Company K, Fifteenth Missouri Volunteers.

Samuel Aldrich, late Company F, Third Michigan Volunteers.

John Purcell, late Company G, Sixty-sixth Ohio Volunteers.

Theodore Shuster, late Company B, Eleventh Indiana Volunteers.

Richard Starkey, late Company L, Third Michigan Cavalry.

Benj. S. Riley, late Company H, Eighty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and B, Forty-third United States Infantry.

Russell F. Dimmick, late Company E, First Wisconsin Volunteers.

Anthony Hannappel, late Company A, Ninth New Jersey Volunteers.

William Michael, late Company G, Forty-first New York Volunteers.

Frank Kiglin, late Company I, Eleventh Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Thomas Toomey, late Company A, Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and for report from Northwestern Branch.

The petitions of the following-named soldiers for remission of penalties are denied :

Patrick Foley, late Company A, Third Rhode Island Cavalry.

John Jaeger, late Company I, Eighth Illinois Volunteers.

John Bissert, late Company H, Thirteenth New Hampshire Volunteers.

Patrick Murphy, late Company L, Fourteenth New York Heavy Artillery.

James Dowling, late Company B, Eighth United States Cavalry.

John Cleary, late Company B, Fifteenth New York Cavalry.

James A. Quinlan, late Company A, Eleventh Massachusetts Volunteers.

John Curran, late Company A, Eighty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Patrick Mullens, late Company K, Second Wisconsin Volunteers.

George Morrison, late Company F, Forty-eighth and Sixty-eighth Ohio Volunteers.

Michael Timothy, late Company D, Tenth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Thomas Lynott, late Company C, Twentieth Kentucky Volunteers.

James McGreevy, late Company D, Seventeenth Ohio Volunteers.

Jacob Schmelzle, late Company H, Twenty-eighth Ohio Volunteers.

Louis B. Evans, late Company F, Twenty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers.

John Blake, late Company G, Sixty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers.

George W. Gates, late Company I, One hundred and fortieth New York Volunteers.

Samuel McIllhenny, late Company K, Ninety-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers; Company C, Pennsylvania Cavalry, and Company K, One hundred and eighteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Henry Howard, late Company L, Twentieth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Michael Nicholson, late Company C, Twenty-eighth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Peter Knoxville, late Company F, First Maryland Cavalry.

Thomas McCrossin, late Company G, Seventh New Jersey Volunteers.

Michael O'Rourke, late Company K, Sixteenth Indiana Volunteers.

Peter Faren, late Company C, Fiftieth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Patrick Collins, late Company I, Twenty-ninth Indiana Volunteers.

William Everstein, late Company F, Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Michael Sullivan, late Company K, Fourth United States Infantry.

Henry Anderson, late Company B, One hundred and sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Patrick McManus, late Company F, Fiftieth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

John Sellins, late Company B, Sixteenth New York Artillery.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The several applications of the following-named persons are granted, and the treasurer is ordered to make payment accordingly, taking the necessary vouchers:

Mrs. Ann Turner, daughter, for effects of James Kerr, late Company G, Ninety-third New York Volunteers.

Otto von Mohl, consul, in behalf of heirs of Leopold Miller, late Company I, One hundred and eighth Ohio Volunteers.

John Fries, sr., father, for effects of John Fries, jr., late Company I, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Mrs. Mary J. Sykes, widow, for effects of David Sykes, late Company D, Seventh Maryland Volunteers.

August Geoecke, nephew of August Geoecke, late Company B, Ninth New York Volunteers.

The applications of the following-named persons for effects of deceased inmates were granted as follows:

Michael McMahan, brother of Simon McMahan, late Company C, One hundred and nineteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers, granted as to \$16, from sale of effects.

Johanna Mickey, sister of Michael Mickey, late Company A, First Maryland Volunteers (Mexican war), as to \$6.10.

Ann Cunningham, mother of Thomas Cunningham, late Company F, Seventy-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, granted on satisfactory proof of identity, furnished to Col. L. A. Harris, manager.

Mrs. Sarah Fairchild, widow of John F. Fairchild, late Company B, Second New Jersey Battery, granted on satisfactory proof of identity, furnished to General M. T. McMahon, manager.

The application of David J. Vance, guardian of Harry and Grace Turnipseed, children of Allen T. Turnipseed, late Company C, Forty-eighth Ohio Volunteers, was referred to Col. L. A. Harris with power.

In the matter of the application of Joseph R. Keene, for effects of John B. Brookbank, late Company G, Ninth Pennsylvania Reserves, it was ordered that \$6.80 be paid to applicant, from amount left by Brookbank.

In the matter of the application of Michael Kelly, brother, for effects of William Kelly, late Company H, One hundred and thirty-first New York Volunteers, it was ordered that application be denied as to Kelly, but that \$5.70 be paid to Patrick Keys, inmate, if the governor be satisfied that it is due.

M. J. Campbell, post-adjutant, was authorized as administrator of—

Charles J. Eckhart, late Company B, Fourteenth Illinois Cavalry;

James Marshall, late Company B, Third Ohio Volunteers;

John Madden, late Company F, One hundred and sixty-eighth New

York Volunteers;

James Kelly, late Company I, One hundred and twenty-fourth Ohio

Volunteers;

William Proctor, late Company C, Second Colorado Cavalry;

Will W. Porter, late Company C and L, Sixth Ohio Cavalry,

to draw money on certain checks and certificates of deposit, and to deposit the same in the hands of the treasurer of the Home.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—MISCELLANEOUS.

The following applications were presented for the action of the board :

Petition of Charles E. Washburn, late Company A, Seventh Rhode Island Cavalry, and Company B, First Massachusetts Artillery, for transfer and transportation to Eastern Branch. Granted, on condition applicant pay for his transportation by labor under direction of the deputy governor.

Application of Joseph Odell, late Company F, Fourteenth Indiana Volunteers, for readmission. Granted, provided applicant pay his own transportation in advance.

Application of John L. Ridette, late Company A, First Louisiana Volunteers. (Readmitted to Southern Branch by order of the board July 8, 1880.) To be permitted to remain at Central Branch (where he now is) on conditions attached to his readmission to Southern Branch. (Printed minutes, page 602.) Granted.

The complaint of Ambrose Sheis, late Company D, Twelfth New Jersey Volunteers, against the management of the Central Branch (after hearing the complaint in person), was referred to local manager Col. L. A. Harris.

The following applications were presented, duly considered, and denied:

The application of William Heine, late colonel One hundred and third New York Volunteers and brevet brigadier-general, for transfer from

the Southern to the Central Branch and for the use of a room in one of the farm buildings of the Home, and permission to build a studio thereto in which to keep his library, &c.

James W. Maguire, late Company I, Nineteenth Indiana Volunteers, for transportation to Eckhart County, Indiana.

Michael Hoare, late Company E, Fifth Michigan Volunteers, for transportation to Washington, D. C., to procure evidence in pension case.

Wyant Boughton, late Company E, One hundred and sixty-first New York Volunteers, for transportation to Binghamton, N. Y.

David Williams, late Company E, One hundred and fourteenth Ohio Volunteers, for free transportation to Bloomington, Ill., and return, to enable him to raise funds to purchase an artificial leg. The recommendation made in his case by the governor is approved.

Henry Talbot, late Company F, Fifth Pennsylvania Cavalry, for free transportation to Philadelphia, Pa.

George Muntz, late Company A, Tenth New York Artillery, and John G. Neher, late Company K, One hundred and seventh Ohio Volunteers, for transfer and transportation to Southern Branch.

Thomas S. Owens, late Company A, First Nebraska Volunteers, for transportation to Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

James Cain, late Company I, Seventy-second Illinois Volunteers, for compensation for loss of right eye, September 28, 1876, while breaking stone in the line of his duty.

Patrick Hardeman, late Sixth Kentucky Volunteers, for compensation for injuries received while at work in the Home.

John Hockings, late Company M, First Missouri Engineers, for compensation for services rendered while temporary at post, awaiting readmission.

John Freehill, late Company G, Fourth New York Volunteers, for pay for labor performed while awaiting action of the board as to his readmission.

Patrick Conville, late Company F, Seventy-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, to be refunded certain sums paid by him for medical treatment outside of the Home.

James Baker, late Company A, Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and thirty-two others, married men, with families residing outside, in the vicinity of the Home, to be allowed rations outside of the Home.

Bakers and cooks, to have a water-closet put in the wash-room of the Home bakery, for convenience during the winter.

John Blair, late Company H, Eleventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, for payment for personal services rendered to Jonathan W. Beach, blind man.

In the case of John Kelly, late Company K, Fourteenth New York Cavalry, and Frederick Roeber, late Company E, Forty-sixth New York Volunteers, the applicants for readmission, appealing from the decision of the surgeon, were heard in person and the board took no further action.

#### READMISSIONS TO NORTHWESTERN BRANCH

The following-named soldiers, heretofore discharged, were, for sufficient reasons readmitted unconditionally:

William H. Wilty, late Company B, One hundred and first New York Volunteers.

John B. Sims, late Company A, Fifteenth Iowa Volunteers.

Benjamin Ransom, late Company E, One hundred and forty-fifth New York Volunteers.

Thomas Reily, late Company H, Second United States Cavalry.

Terence O'Neil, late Company F, Thirty-sixth Wisconsin Volunteers.

Philip Knieriem, late Company D, Second Kansas Volunteers.

Francis Killeen, late Company M, Thirteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Pliney Jewitt, late Company I, Thirty-seventh Wisconsin Volunteers.

Peter Doyle, late Company C, Eleventh Michigan Volunteers.

Michael Braunlein, late Company I, Seventeenth Wisconsin Volunteers.

Edward Sullivan, late Company D, Fifth United States Infantry.

Marcus S. Shaler, late Company F, Fiftieth Wisconsin Volunteers.

Charles H. Bender, late Company D, Seventy-second Illinois Volunteers.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the deputy governor may direct, without pay, for the periods set opposite their respective names:

George McIver, late Company F, Fifty-first New York Volunteers, one year, with authority on part of commandant to remit one-half of penalty for good conduct.

Dennis Siverson, late Company K, Twenty-fourth Wisconsin Volunteers, four months.

Joseph Brodard, late Company D, Twenty-third Illinois Volunteers, two months.

John Haufner, late Company G, Second Wisconsin Cavalry, two months.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they severally make absolute assignments to the National Home of their pension money, as follows:

John Collins, late Company A, Ninety-ninth New York Volunteers, one-half for one year.

John Britton, late Tenth Ohio Battery, one-half for four months.

William H. Hawley, late Company B, Sixth Connecticut Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Walter McCarty, late Company A, Twenty-third Illinois Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Francis C. Shanley, late Company A, Sixth Minnesota Volunteers, one-half for two months.

The application of Rudolph Rosenthal, late Company C, Ninth Wisconsin Volunteers, for readmission is denied.

The application of Christian Brandt, late Companies D and F, Fourth United States Infantry, is denied, transportation to be furnished to place whence he came.

#### NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The following remissions and modifications are directed:

Francis Conners, late Company C, Thirty-seventh Illinois Volunteers, remitted for good conduct.

Eric Erickson, late Company D, Fifty-seventh Illinois Volunteers, penalty remitted, and admitted unconditionally.

George K. Wood, late Company F, Sixty-seventh New York Volunteers, remitted as to one-half.

Henry G. West, late Company D, Fifth Connecticut Volunteers, terminate forfeiture; \$4 per month to be paid to applicant, and balance of pension to his family.

The applications for remission of penalties in the following cases are denied:

James Malone, late Company B, Ninety-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers.  
 John Hesson, late Company C, Eighty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers.  
 The application of William Jones, late Company C, First Kentucky Volunteers, for remission of penalty, is referred to the deputy governor for report as to conduct of applicant, to be presented at next meeting of the board.

#### NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

On application of Robert A. Goodin, brother, for the effects of Amos H. Goodin, late Company G, Third United States Dragoons, Mexican war, it was ordered that the proceeds of the effects and moneys of deceased be paid to his administrator.

#### NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—MISCELLANEOUS.

The following applications were presented for the action of the board: Joseph Horle and six other non-commissioned officers. Application for increase of pay. Referred to the inspector-general for report.

The following applications were presented, duly considered, and denied:

Edward O'Donnell, late Company D, Engineer Regiment of the West, to have a small house erected on the grounds of the Home.

Francis A. Liebschutz, late Ninth Kansas Cavalry, to be allowed to receive ten dollars of his pension money, and to be allowed to postpone the payment of his indebtedness to the Home until next quarter.

Peter McCabe, late Company F, Twenty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, application for transfer to Central Branch.

Thomas G. Aringdale, to be furnished transportation to return to the Home from furlough.

#### READMISSIONS TO SOUTHERN BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers heretofore discharged were for sufficient reasons readmitted unconditionally, viz:

Edward Murray, late Company I, Seventh New Hampshire Volunteers.

I. D. Ancona, late Company I, Sixth New York Battery.

Henry Bozier, late Company C, Ninety-First Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Thomas Bridges, late Company A, Sixth United States Infantry.

David Patterson, late Company B, Seventy-ninth New York Volunteers.

Edward Flood, late Company A, Forty-second New York Volunteers.

P. W. Brennan, late Company I, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

I Steurnagel, late Company C, Eleventh Connecticut Volunteers.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the deputy governor may direct for the periods set opposite their respective names:

John Craig, late Company H, Second United States Infantry, one year.

Dennis Street, late Company B, Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, three months.

Thomas Mack, late Company C, Sixth New York Infantry, three months.

Morton Walch, late Company G, Fourteenth Connecticut Volunteers, six months, when able; to be finally discharged on repetition of offense.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted under the conditions severally attached to their names:

John McLaughlin, late Company C, Forty-second New York Volunteers, on condition that he pay his own transportation out of pension, and work three months without pay.

James Colgan, late Company K, Seventy-ninth New York Volunteers, on condition that he pay his own transportation out of pension.

The applications of the following-named soldiers for admission are refused, the applicants not being considered eligible under the circumstances stated. The deputy governor, however, is authorized in accordance with his recommendation to employ each of the said applicants for one month as a civilian, in order that he may earn money enough to pay for transportation to his home:

Alexander Burgoyne, fireman, United States Navy.

Charles Williams, fireman, United States Navy.

James Foote, fireman, United States Navy.

The application of Michael Dougherty, late Company I, Third New Jersey Volunteers, is denied.

#### SOUTHERN BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The application of James J. Costigan, late Company D, Sixth Wisconsin Volunteers, is granted.

#### SOUTHERN BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The applications of the following-named persons are granted, and the treasurer is ordered to make payment accordingly, taking the necessary vouchers:

Harriette N. Paxon, widow, for effects of Samuel W. Paxon, late Company C, First Delaware Volunteers.

Susie E. Schanck, stepmother, for effects of James Dale, late Company F, Second Iowa Cavalry.

D. C. Butterfield, administrator of estate of D. M. Butterfield, granted as to watch.

#### READMISSIONS TO EASTERN BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers, heretofore discharged, were for sufficient reasons readmitted unconditionally:

John McCarthy, late Company H, Twenty-fourth Massachusetts Volunteers.

William Donovan, late Company E, Eleventh Massachusetts Volunteers.

George McDevitt, late Company C, Eleventh Massachusetts Volunteers.

John Moody, late Company A, First Indiana Cavalry.

Edward Williams, United States steamer Constitution.

Frederick B. Honey, late Company B, Thirtieth Massachusetts Volunteers.

James Neville, late Company H, Fifteenth New York Cavalry.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the deputy governor may direct, without pay, for the periods set opposite their respective names:

George E. Fitch, late Company G, Fourth New Hampshire Volunteers, three months.

Peter Fowle, late Company H, Seventeenth Maine Volunteers, three months.

Thomas Regan, late Company G, Seventh New Hampshire Volunteers, three months.

Jeremiah Logan, late Company L, First Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, three months.

The application of Charles Ring, late Company F, Thirty-first Massachusetts Volunteers, and Company M, Twelfth New York Cavalry, is granted on condition that he make an absolute assignment of one-half of his pension to the Home for six months.

The application of James Connelly, late Company C, Second Massachusetts Cavalry, is granted under the rule (see page 602 of printed minutes).

The board then adjourned, to meet on Saturday, the 25th of September, at 10 a. m.

SEPTEMBER 25—10 a. m.

The board met pursuant to adjournment and proceeded to hear statements of inmates, and to the transaction of miscellaneous business.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

A communication was received from General E. W. Hinks, deputy governor Northwestern Branch, dated September 15, 1880, asking to be allowed extra compensation because of extra duty heretofore performed by him, for reasons stated. On motion, the communication with inclosures, was referred to General Love and Major Fulton, with instructions to report at next meeting of board.

The secretary presented a communication from the secretary of the board of commissioners of the Soldiers' Home at Washington, D. C., on the subject of admission to that institution of men whose names have been heretofore transmitted as being entitled thereto. The following lists, with remarks, accompanied the communication:

*Names of inmates of Central Branch National Soldiers' Home, reported by M. T. McMahon, esq., secretary, &c., with request for their transfer to the Soldiers' Home, D. C.—(See Remarks.)*

#### LATE SOLDIERS U. S. ARMY.

| No. | Name.             | Company and regiment. | Remarks.  |
|-----|-------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 1   | Miller, John      | F, 2d Artillery       | } Have been inmates of the Soldiers' Home, D. C., and may be readmitted on reporting at the office of the board of commissioners in Washington City.  |
| 2   | Murphy, Patrick   | B, 16th Infantry      |   |
| 3   | Mathews, Charles  | M, 5th Cavalry        |   |
| 4   | Zeller, Joseph    | E, 22d Infantry       |   |
| 1   | Buckley, John     | A, 15th Infantry      | } Have been inmates of the Soldiers' Home, D. C. Have forfeited or relinquished their right to the benefits, and will not be readmitted.  |
| 2   | Dowling, James    | B, 8th Infantry       |   |
| 3   | Dowling, Joseph   | C, 14th Infantry      |   |
| 4   | Mitchell, Phillip | I, 1st Infantry       |   |
| 5   | Phillips, John    | I, 5th Artillery      |   |
| 6   | Sullivan, Michael | K, 4th Artillery      |   |
| 1   | Alfkth, Alfred    | D and K, Voltige'r    | } The right to the benefits of the Soldiers' Home, D. C., in the remaining cases named on this list cannot be determined without an examination of their military record, for which date of enlistment, company, and regiment, for each and every term of service, in each case, is required. |
| 2   | Barry, William    | E, 2d Dragoons        |   |
| 3   | Boyd, Andrew      | E, 5th Infantry       |   |
| 4   | Brown, William*   | C, 15th Infantry      |   |
| 5   | Dalyin, Paul      | I, 1st Infantry       |   |
| 6   | Dalton, John C    | A, 15th Infantry      |   |
| 7   | Dugan, William    | L, 6th Cavalry        |   |
| 8   | Driscoll, Patrick | B, 13th Infantry      |   |
| 9   | Duffy, James      | K, 7th Cavalry        |   |
| 10  | Eaton, William    | H, 14th Infantry      |   |
| 11  | Fidler, Joseph    | A, 2d Artillery       |   |
|     |                   |                       | Once a temporary inmate. No record of service.  |

*Names of inmates of Central Branch National Soldiers' Home, reported, &c.—Continued.*

| No. | Name.                   | Company and regiment.      | Remarks.                                       |
|-----|-------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 12  | Flynn, Patrick.....     | H, Engineers.....          |  |
| 13  | Foley, John.....        | K, 7th Cavalry.....        |  |
| 14  | Fræst, Horatio H.....   | H, 2d Infantry.....        |  |
| 15  | Jourdan, Fraugott.....  | A, 15th Infantry.....      |  |
| 16  | Kune, Henry F.....      | H, 2d Cavalry.....         |  |
| 17  | Kirby, John C.....      | G, 26th Infantry.....      |  |
| 18  | Kinny, David.....       | A, 16th Infantry.....      |  |
| 19  | Landis, William.....    | C, 15th Infantry.....      |  |
| 20  | McCabe, Patrick.....    | E, 18th Infantry.....      |  |
| 21  | McGraugh, Michael.....  | A, 2d Cavalry.....         |  |
| 22  | Murphy, Michael.....    | E, 14th Infantry.....      |  |
| 23  | Murphy, Austin.....     | H, 18th Infantry.....      |  |
| 24  | Murphy, Edward.....     | B, 43d Infantry.....       |  |
| 25  | Noll, Ernest.....       | G, 4th Infantry.....       |  |
| 26  | O'Reilly, Richard.....  | I, 1st Artillery.....      |  |
| 27  | Rein, Henry.....        | G, 6th Cavalry.....        | Once a temporary inmate. No record of service. |
| 28  | Shields(I), John C..... | D, 6th Cavalry.....        |  |
| 29  | Smith, John.....        | A and I, 4th Infantry..... |  |
| 30  | Stigman, Francis G..... | B, 7th Infantry.....       |  |
| 31  | Tinkler, John.....      | G, 18th Infantry.....      |  |
| 32  | Walt, Isaac H.....      | G, 5th Artillery.....      |  |
| 33  | Zerley, John H.....     | C, 1st Infantry.....       |  |

\* William Brown, Co. C, 13th Infantry, has been an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, D. C.; was dismissed therefrom, and will not be readmitted.

O. W. LONGAN,  
Secretary to Board of Commissioners.

O. B. C. S. H.,  
WASHINGTON, August 5, 1880.

*Names of inmates, Northwestern Branch National Soldiers' Home, reported by M. T. McMahon, esq., secretary, &c., with request for orders for their transfer to the Soldiers' Home, D. C.—(See Remarks.)*

LATE SOLDIERS U. S. ARMY.

| No. | Name.                     | Company and regiment.      | Remarks.  |
|-----|---------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 1   | Alheit, William.....      | G, 29th Infantry.....      | } Have been inmates of the Soldiers' Home, D. C., and may be readmitted on reporting at the office of the board of commissioners in Washington, D. C.   |
| 2   | O'Regan, Matthew.....     | E, 3d Artillery.....       |   |
| 1   | O'Halloran, John.....     | C, 6th Infantry.....       | } Have been inmates of the Soldiers' Home, D. C. Have forfeited or relinquished their right to the benefits, and will not be readmitted.  |
| 2   | Sommers, Henry.....       | C, 1st Mounted Rifles..... |   |
| 1   | Coall, James A.....       | K, 4th Infantry.....       | } Their right to the benefits of the Soldiers' Home, D. C., cannot be determined without an examination of their military record, for which date of enlistment, company, and regiment, for each and every term of service, in each case, is required. |
| 2   | Carmody, Michael.....     | E, 1st Artillery.....      |   |
| 3   | Duve, Ferdinand.....      | E, 14th Infantry.....      |   |
| 4   | Darn, George.....         | G, 30th Infantry.....      |   |
| 5   | Gentschell, Adelbert..... | 17th Infantry.....         |   |
| 6   | Honshell, Carl F.....     | E, 18th Infantry.....      |   |
| 7   | Horan, John.....          | F, 1st Artillery.....      |   |
| 8   | O'Beirne, James.....      | C, 1st Artillery.....      |   |
| 9   | Petrie, George S.....     | Band, 4th Infantry.....    |   |
| 10  | Ponnall, Joseph.....      | Band, 17th Infantry.....   |   |
| 11  | Regan, Daniel.....        | D, 10th Infantry.....      |   |
| 12  | Thomas, William.....      | G, 4th Cavalry.....        |   |

O. W. LONGAN,  
Secretary to Board of Commissioners.

O. B. C. S. H.,  
WASHINGTON, August 5, 1880.

*Names of inmates of Eastern Branch, National Soldiers' Home, reported by M. T. McMahon, esq., secretary, &c., with request for orders for their transfer to the Soldiers' Home, D. C.—*  
(See Remarks.)

## LATE SOLDIERS U. S. ARMY.

| No. | Name.                     | Company and regiment.  | Remarks.  |
|-----|---------------------------|------------------------|---|
| 1   | Hickey, Morris .....      | L, 19th Infantry ..... | } Have been inmates of the Soldiers' Home, D. C.; have forfeited or relinquished their rights to the benefits, and will not be readmitted.  |
| 2   | Kirk, John .....          | G, 17th Infantry ..... |   |
| 1   | Ruddy, Patrick J .....    | A, 3d Infantry .....   | } Case examined heretofore on application from the man. Found not entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' Home, D. C.   |
| 1   | Degary, John .....        | C, 16th Infantry ..... | } Their right to the benefits of the Soldiers' Home, D. C., cannot be determined without an examination of their military record, for which date of enlistment, company, and regiment, for each and every term of service in each case is required. |
| 2   | Hawkins, Eldridge G ..... | F, 16th Infantry ..... |   |
| 3   | Howard, Francis .....     | H, 4th Infantry .....  |   |
| 4   | Livingston, William ..... | G, 3d Cavalry .....    |   |
| 5   | Sullivan, James .....     | A, 17th Infantry ..... |   |
| 6   | Shoals, Dennison .....    | D, 1st Artillery ..... |   |
| 7   | Somers, Joseph .....      | C, 1st Artillery ..... |   |

O. W. LONGAN,  
*Secretary to Board of Commissioners.*

O. B. C. S. H.,  
Washington, August 5, 1880.

*Names of inmates of Southern Branch, National Soldiers' Home, reported by M. T. McMahon, esq., secretary, &c., with request for orders for their transfer to the Soldiers' Home, D. C.—*  
(See Remarks.)

## LATE SOLDIERS U. S. ARMY.

| No. | Name.                  | Company and regiment.      | Remarks.   |
|-----|------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 1   | Barbers, Richard ..... | E, 3d Infantry .....       | } Have been inmates of the Soldiers' Home, D. C., and may be readmitted on reporting at the office of the board of commissioners in Washington City.   |
| 2   | Casey, Michael .....   | A, 2d Artillery .....      |  |
| 3   | Horan, Patrick .....   | Band, Fort Columbus .....  |  |
| 4   | Hynes, William .....   | F, 5th Artillery .....     |  |
| 1   | Adams, Cassius .....   | F, 1st Artillery .....     | } Have been inmates of the Soldiers' Home, D. C.; have forfeited or relinquished their right to the benefits, and will not be readmitted.  |
| 2   | Brady, Bernard .....   | G, 1st Infantry .....      |  |
| 3   | Carey, Cornelius ..... | F, 5th Infantry .....      |  |
| 4   | Casey, Jeremiah .....  | E, 1st Cavalry .....       |  |
| 5   | Fisher, Adam .....     | F, 7th Cavalry .....       |  |
| 6   | Hackett, Michael ..... | Engineers .....            |  |
| 7   | Kelly, Garrett .....   | C, 14th Infantry .....     |  |
| 8   | Klein, August .....    | E, 14th Infantry .....     |  |
| 9   | Mill, William G .....  | A, 3d Artillery .....      |  |
| 10  | McGrath, Daniel .....  | H, 21st Infantry .....     |  |
| 11  | Shay, John .....       | D, 8th Infantry .....      |  |
| 1   | Curtis, John .....     | A, 6th Cavalry .....       | } Their right to the benefits of the Soldiers' Home cannot be determined without examination of military record, for which date of enlistment, company, and regiment, for each and every term of service in each case is required. |
| 2   | Hayes, Thomas .....    | C, 5th Artillery .....     |  |
| 3   | Mulhern, Chris .....   | A, Per. Par. G'n Ser ..... |  |
| 4   | Moser, Ludwig .....    | B, 1st Cavalry .....       |  |
| 5   | Smith, John M. ....    | A, Engineers .....         |  |
| 6   | Gannon, James .....    | A, 5th Infantry .....      | } Gannon's case examined on several occasions; found not entitled to admission to Soldiers' Home, D. C.  |

O. W. LONGAN,  
*Secretary to Board of Commissioners.*

O. B. C. S. H.,  
Washington, August 5, 1880.

It was thereupon ordered that the governor and deputy governors of the several branches furnish transportation to the Soldiers' Home, Washington, D. C., to such men as appear, by the foregoing lists, to be entitled to admission to that institution, and to transmit to the secretary of board of commissioners of the Washington Home the information required in the other cases, as indicated in the remarks which accompany the foregoing lists.

After a further inspection of the hospital and barracks, the board, on motion, adjourned, to meet at the Surgeon-General's Office in Washington, D. C., on Tuesday, the 14th day of December, 1880, at 11 a. m.

MARTIN T. McMAHON,  
*Secretary.*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME  
FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS, DECEMBER 14, 1880.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *December 14, 1880—11 a. m.*

The board met in regular quarterly meeting at the Surgeon General's Office.

Present: The President of the United States; the Chief Justice; General William B. Franklin, president of the board; Col. Leonard A. Harris; General Richard Coulter; Maj. David C. Fulton; General Charles W. Roberts; General J. A. Martin, and General Martin T. McMahon.

Absent: The Secretary of War, General John M. Palmer, and General John Love.

A letter was read from General Love, stating that he was detained at home by illness.

A quorum being present, the board, on motion, proceeded to Willard's Hotel, and occupied a parlor there prepared for their meeting.

On motion, the following committee was appointed to audit the accounts of the acting treasurer: Colonel Harris, General Martin, General Coulter.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Colonel Harris presented the following reports from the auditing committee appointed to visit the Southern Branch, being copies of the certificates entered on the books of the Southern Branch:

SOUTHERN BRANCH, *December 10, 1880.*

We have, this day, examined the foregoing accounts of Capt. P. T. Woodfin, deputy governor and treasurer, for the nine months ending September 30, 1880, and find them correct and supported by proper vouchers.

L. A. HARRIS,  
CHAS. W. ROBERTS,  
*Auditing Committee.*

SOUTHERN BRANCH, *December 11, 1880.*

We have, this day, examined the accounts of the Home store, Capt. P. T. Woodfin, treasurer, for the several quarters ending September 30, 1880, and find them correct and supported by proper vouchers.

L. A. HARRIS,  
CHAS. W. ROBERTS,  
*Committee from Board of Managers to audit accounts.*

Colonel Harris, from the same committee, also submitted the following statement of the store-fund account at the Southern Branch:

*Statement of assets of Home store, Southern Branch, September 30, 1880.*

|                                     |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Cash on hand .....                  | \$5,487 03      |
| Merchandise, as per inventory ..... | 2,103 09        |
| Due by J. T. Bentley .....          | 225 00          |
| <b>Total .....</b>                  | <b>7,815 12</b> |

The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Colonel Harris presented a report as to the method of keeping store accounts at the various branches, a subject referred to him at the last meeting of the board, and asked to have the committee continued.

His request was granted.

Colonel Harris also reported progress from the committee on the Dayton and Soldiers' Home Railroad, appointed at the last meeting of board.

Major Fulton presented the following report of the committee to which was referred the claim of General E. W. Hinks, late deputy governor, Northwestern Branch, for extra compensation :

*To the Board of Managers, National Home for D. V. S.:*

Your committee, to whom was referred the application of General Edward W. Hinks for an allowance of \$1,620, for extra services, as shown by his application hereto annexed, would report that we have examined as to the merits of his application; have heard the personal explanation of General Hinks in regard to the matter, and have arrived at the conclusion that owing to the many and arduous duties which General Hinks has been forced to perform since he became the deputy-governor of the Northwestern Branch; that he waived the privilege given him in 1873 by General B. F. Butler, then president of the board of managers, to employ a citizen clerk at a salary of \$1,500 per year, thereby largely increasing his own labors; we therefore recommend that an allowance be made to him (to be paid from the "general fund") for the amount named in his application, to wit, \$1,620.

This recommendation is made without reference to the specific item named in his bill attached to his application (to wit, pay for driver), but on account of what we deem to have been responsibilities assumed and labors performed by him during his many years of service at the Northwestern Branch.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN LOVE,  
D. C. FULTON,  
*Committee.*

MILWAUKEE, WIS., *October 20, 1880.*

After full discussion, a vote was taken on the adoption of the report by ayes and noes, which resulted as follows:

**AYES**—General Franklin, General Martin, Major Fulton, General McMahon.

**NOES**.—Colonel Harris, General Coulter, General Roberts.

The report was thereupon declared adopted, and the acting treasurer directed to pay the allowance recommended therein.

Major Fulton presented also the following report from the auditing committee, to which were referred the final accounts of General E. W. Hinks, late deputy-governor, which was received and ordered to be filed.

Your committee appointed for the purpose of examining and auditing the accounts of General Edward W. Hinks, treasurer of the Northwestern Branch, would report as follows: That we have examined his general account for the quarter ending September 30, 1880, also his general account up to October 13, 1880 (and consisting of only two transactions in that month), and find the same correct, and supported by proper vouchers. We find due from him on the general account \$4,258.78, which amount on the 20th day of October, 1880, he paid over to General Jacob Sharpe, treasurer.

We also find that General Hinks paid over to the Home the wages of James O'Conner, driver, for the period of five months, being in accordance with the order of the Board of Managers.

We also find that the books of the Home showed that General Edward W. Hinks had in his hands of the fund belonging to deceased inmates, and arising from sale of effects, &c., \$1,687.56, and that, on the 20th day of October, 1880, he paid over that amount to General Jacob Sharpe, treasurer. The books of the Home also show that there is a balance of \$4,800, and the accrued interest thereon since July 24, 1877, in the hands of General B. F. Butler, late acting treasurer, Board of Managers, and belonging to this fund.

We also find that the books of the Home show that on October 12, 1880, there was in hands of General Hinks, and belonging to the store fund, the sum of \$5,471.66, and that on the 20th of October, 1880, he paid over that amount to General Jacob Sharpe, treasurer.

The books of the Home also show that on the 12th of October, 1880, there was in hands of General Hinks belonging to the contingent fund (fines, forfeitures, &c.), the

sum of \$345.27, and that on October 20, 1880, he paid over that amount to General Sharpe.

The books of the Home also show that on the 1st of October there was in the hands of General Hinks, belonging to pensioners, the sum of \$5,337.63, and that on the 20th day of October, 1880, he paid over that amount to General Sharpe, treasurer.

The books also show that there is in hands of General Hinks, on special deposit, made by inmates, the sum of \$2,306.45, and that on the 20th day of October, 1880, he paid over that amount to General Sharpe.

JOHN LOVE,  
D. C. FULTON,  
*Committee.*

OCTOBER 20, 1880.

Colonel Harris presented the following report of the committee appointed to audit the accounts of the acting treasurer, which was received and ordered to be placed on file.

WASHINGTON, December 14, 1880.

The undersigned have examined and audited this day the accounts of General W. B. Franklin, acting treasurer of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, for the quarter ending September 30, 1880, and find the same correct and supported by proper vouchers. The balance in his hands September 30, 1880, is \$54,867.02.

R. COULTER,  
L. A. HARRIS,  
JOHN A. MARTIN,  
*Auditing Committee.*

General Coulter from, the committee heretofore appointed to audit the accounts of General Benjamin F. Butler, late acting treasurer of the National Home, made the following additional report:

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 17, 1880.

The committee to whom were referred the accounts of General Benjamin F. Butler, late acting treasurer of the National Home, made the following additional report.

In the matter of the pension fund, the following accounts were duly submitted and examined.

*The National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers in account with Major-General Benjamin F. Butler, acting treasurer.*

PENSION FUND ACCOUNT WITH EASTERN BRANCH.

|   | <i>Dr.</i>                                  |
|---|---|
| 1877, Oct. 1. To \$4,500 United States 4 per cent. bonds, at par..... | \$4,500 00                                  |
| 1878, July 1. To \$1,350 United States 4 per cent. bonds, at par..... | 1,350 00                                    |
| 1880, Oct. 5. To \$550 United States 4 per cent. bonds, at \$107..... | 588 50                                      |
| Balance due fund.....   | 48 00                                       |
|   | <hr style="border-top: 1px solid black;"/>  |
|   | 5,486 50                                    |
|   | <hr style="border-top: 3px double black;"/> |
| 1880, Oct. 5. To United States 4 per cent. bonds.....                 | 6,400 00                                    |
| To cash in treasurer's hands.....                                     | 48 00                                       |
|   | <hr style="border-top: 1px solid black;"/>  |
|   | <i>Cr.</i>                                  |
| 1877, Oct. 1. By cash received of General W. S. Tilton .....          | \$4,500 00                                  |
| 1878, July 1. By cash received of General W. S. Tilton .....          | 1,325 00                                    |
| 1880, Oct. 1. By 3 years' interest at 4 per cent. on \$4,500.....     | \$540 00                                    |
| 1880, Oct. 1. By 2½ years' interest at 4 per cent. on \$1,350.....    | 121 50                                      |
|   | <hr style="border-top: 1px solid black;"/>  |
|   | 661 50                                      |
|   | <hr style="border-top: 3px double black;"/> |
|   | 6,486 50                                    |

E. O. E.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER,  
*Late Acting Treasurer, N. H. D. V. S.*

## PENSION FUND ACCOUNT WITH SOUTHERN BRANCH.

|               |  | Dr.        |
|---------------|--|------------|
| 1877, Oct. 1. | To \$3,100 United States 4 per cent. bonds, at par.....                  | \$3,100 00 |
| 1878, July 1. | To \$750 United States 4 per cent. bonds, at par .....                   | 750 00     |
| 1880, Oct. 5. | To \$350 United States 4 per cent. bonds, at \$107 .....                 | 374 50     |
|               | Balance due fund .....   | 17 95      |
|               |  | <hr/>      |
|               |  | 4,242 45   |
| 1880, Oct. 5. | To United States 4 per cent. bonds .....                                 | 4,200 00   |
| 1880, Oct. 5. | To cash in treasurer's hands .....                                       | 17 95      |
|               |  | <hr/>      |
|               |  | Cr.        |
| 1877, Oct. 1. | By cash received of Capt. P. T. Woodfin .....                            | \$3,097 15 |
| 1878, July 1. | By cash received of Capt. P. T. Woodfin .....                            | 705 80     |
| 1880, Oct. 1. | By 3 years' interest at 4 per cent. on \$3,100 United States bonds ..... | \$372 00   |
|               | 2½ years' interest at 4 per cent. on \$750 United States bonds.....      | 67 50      |
|               |  | <hr/>      |
|               |  | 439 50     |
|               |  | <hr/>      |
|               |  | 4,242 45   |

E. O. E.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER,  
*Late Acting Treasurer, N. H. D. V. S.*

## PENSION FUND ACCOUNT WITH NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

|                |  | Dr.        |
|----------------|--|------------|
| 1877, Oct. 1.  | To \$8,000 United States 4 per cent. bonds, at par.....                                      | \$8,000 00 |
| 1879, Jan. 24. | To amount advanced General Hinks by treasurer.....   | 1,000 00   |
| 1880, July 22. | To amount advanced General Hinks by treasurer.....   | 2,200 00   |
| 1880, Oct. 5.  | To interest on \$1,000 advanced as above, from January 24, 1879, to date, at 4 per cent..... | 67 80      |
|                | Interest on \$2,200 advanced as above, from July 22, 1880, to date, at 4 per cent. ....      | 17 60      |
|                | Balance due fund .....   | 93 60      |
|                |  | <hr/>      |
|                |  | 11,379 00  |
|                |  | <hr/>      |
| 1880, Oct.     | To United States 4 per cent. bonds.....  | 5,800 00   |
|                | To cash in treasurer's hands.....  | 93 00      |
|                |  | <hr/>      |
|                |  | Cr.        |
| 1877, Oct. 1.  | By cash received of General E. W. Hinks.....   | \$8,000 00 |
| 1880, Oct. 1.  | By 3 years' interest on \$8,000 United States bonds.....                                     | 960 00     |
| 1880, Oct. 5.  | By \$350 United States 4 per cent. bonds sold Southern Branch, at \$107.....                 | 374 50     |
| 1880, Oct. 5.  | By \$550 United States 4 per cent. bonds sold Eastern Branch, at \$107.....                  | 588 50     |
| 1880, Oct. 5.  | By \$1,300 United States bonds, sold at \$1.12 .....   | 1,456 00   |
|                |  | <hr/>      |
|                |  | 11,379 00  |

E. O. E.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER,  
*Acting Treasurer, N. H. D. V. S.*

The above accounts show in General Butler's hands as follows:

## IN UNITED STATES FOUR PER CENT. BONDS.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Belonging to Eastern Branch .....      | \$6,400 00 |
| Belonging to Southern Branch .....     | 4,200 00   |
| Belonging to Northwestern Branch ..... | 5,800 00   |
|  | <hr/>      |
| Total in United States bonds .....     | 16,400 00  |

## IN CASH.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Belonging to Eastern Branch.....       | \$48 00 |
| Belonging to Southern Branch.....      | 17 95   |
| Belonging to Northwestern Branch ..... | 93 60   |
|  | <hr/>   |
|  | 159 55  |

The above bonds have been delivered to General Franklin, acting treasurer, and are to be transferred as directed by resolution of September 21 last, and the cash balance, \$159.55, paid to General Franklin, acting treasurer.

In the matter of the Horatio Ward bequest, the character and amount of bonds will be found in printed minutes, page 94.

The following statement of account is submitted:

*The National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers in account with General Benjamin F. Butler, late acting treasurer.*

|   | <i>Dr.</i>  |             | <i>Cr.</i> |
|---|-------------|-------------|------------|
| To 15 bonds of State of Missouri, \$1,000 each.....   | \$15,000 00 |             |            |
| To 25 bonds of State of North Carolina, \$1,000 each.....   | 25,000 00   |             |            |
| To 20 bonds of State of Virginia, \$1,000 each.....   | 20,000 00   |             |            |
| To 40 bonds of State of Tennessee, \$1,000 each.....  | 40,000 00   |             |            |
| To interest on Missouri State bonds from 1st July, 1872, to 1st July, 1880, inclusive.....                        | 8,100 00    |             |            |
| Received on sale 15 bonds State of Missouri, at 104½.....   | 675 00      |             |            |
| To cash received from State of Virginia on \$3,600 coupons, being rate of 4-9, less State tax.....                | 1,504 00    |             |            |
| To cash received on sale of \$2,000 Virginia State scrip, at 15 cents.....  | 300 00      |             |            |
| To coupons on 40 Tennessee bonds, from 1st July, 1872, to 1st July, 1874..  | 7,200 00    |             |            |
| To cash received from State of Tennessee, being interest on 48 bonds, from 1st July, 1874, to 1st July, 1875..... | 4,320 00    |             |            |
|   |             | 122,099 00  |            |
| By bonds remaining of original bequest, viz:  |             |             | <i>Cr.</i> |
| 25 bonds State of North Carolina.....   |             | \$25,000 00 |            |
| 20 bonds State of Virginia.....   |             | 20,000 00   |            |
| 40 bonds State of Tennessee.....  |             | 40,000 00   |            |
| 8 bonds State of Tennessee, purchased with \$7,200 of coupons and \$546 cash.....                                 |             | 7,746 00    |            |
| By cash in hands of late acting treasurer.....  |             | 29,353 00   |            |
|   |             | 122,099 00  |            |
| The fund now consists of—   |             |             |            |
| 25 bonds State of North Carolina, par.....  | \$25,000 00 |             |            |
| 20 bonds State of Virginia.....   | 20,000 00   |             |            |
| 48 bonds State of Tennessee.....  | 48,000 00   |             |            |
| Cash.....   | 29,353 00   |             |            |
|   |             | 122,353 00  |            |

Which bonds have this day been delivered and cash balance paid by General Butler to General William B. Franklin, present acting treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. COULTER,  
L. A. HARRIS,  
JNO. A. MARTIN,  
*Auditing Committee.*

Upon motion, the foregoing report was accepted and ordered to be filed.

#### RESOLUTIONS AND PETITIONS.

General Martin offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved.* That the secretary prepare and have published at the Dayton Home, a list of the inmates of the several homes from the date of their establishment, arranged by regiments consecutively from each State, giving name of inmate, regiment, company, date of admission, age at date of admission, length of service and rank in the Army, nature of disability, amount of pension, if any, and place of birth (State or country), and date of final discharge. This list shall be published in pamphlet form, and 300 copies shall be printed and distributed by direction of the Board of Managers.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved,* That in execution of the resolution passed at last meeting of the Board of Managers in regard to pension fund, General W. B. Franklin, president of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, is hereby authorized and directed to assign and

transfer all the 4 per cent. bonds of the issue of 1877 standing registered in the Treasury in the name of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, or of General B. F. Butler, president of said National Home; and the signature of the said Franklin as such shall be taken and deemed to be that of the attorney of the said National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers to make a full and complete transfer and assignment of said bonds.

General Martin offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the president, first vice-president, and secretary of the board, are requested and authorized to visit Washington after the adjournment of the board to consult and advise with the Appropriation and Pension Committees of Congress concerning subjects of importance to the maintenance and discipline of the Home and its inmates.

Major Fulton offered the following resolution, which was adopted: -

*Resolved*, That an appropriation of \$7,500 be made from the Ward bequest fund, \$4,500 from the moneys in the hands of the general treasurer, belonging to the posthumous fund of the Northwestern Branch, and the sum of \$3,500 of the store fund of the Northwestern Branch, for the erection of a building to be used for an amusement hall, place of worship, restaurant, store, ticket office, waiting room, &c., at the Northwestern Branch; the construction of the building to be under the supervision of Maj. D. C. Fulton, manager, and General Jacob Sharpe, deputy governor, and to be constructed as nearly in accordance with the plan submitted by H. C. Koch & Co., architects, as the Board of Managers and the said Fulton and Sharpe shall think best, and within the price estimated, to wit, \$15,500.

The said building shall be known as the "Ward Memorial Hall," and upon some suitable place in the same shall be inscribed the statement that its construction was aided to the amount herein named as appropriated from that fund, from a fund of about \$100,000 bequeathed to the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers by the late Horatio Ward, who died in England in the year—.

The question of the water supply at the Northwestern Branch having been presented by Major Fulton, with report from the deputy governor and secretary of that Branch, it was, after discussion, resolved that authority be given to the deputy governor of the Northwestern Branch to cause an artesian well to be bored, in accordance with this recommendation, at an expense not to exceed \$3,000.

Major Fulton offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That further expenditures for furnishing officers' quarters at the different Branches of the Home shall only be made after application to and approval by the Board of Managers.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted by the board:

*Resolved*, That hereafter in all cases of application of honorably discharged inmates for readmission, said application must be made in writing to the governor of the Branch from which he was last discharged. On receiving such application the governor shall make up the case and forward the same, with his recommendation, to the local manager, as is now done by the board, and on his decision the case shall stand, and proper papers of readmission shall be made and subscribed as heretofore. If, however, the applicant feels aggrieved, and so desires, he shall have the right of appeal to the board, and if remaining in the Home shall work or pay \$9 per month for his keep during the pendency of said appeal. The papers in such case must be forwarded by the commandant, with the grounds of the appeal clearly stated, and it then becomes a case for the board to consider.

Applications of dishonorably or summarily discharged men, and men dropped as deserters, will be considered by the board as heretofore.

The petition of the barrack sergeants of the Northwestern Branch for increased pay was received and considered in connection with the report of the inspector-general as to the pay of employes at the various Branches.

On motion, the subject of equalizing the pay of employes at the various branches, and all other applications for increase of compensation now pending, were referred to the president, with power to arrange a schedule of pay for the several branches as nearly uniform as circumstances will permit.

The application of Doctor Weaver, late surgeon at the Central Branch, for additional pay, after consideration, was denied.

The subject of drainage at the Central Branch, after consideration, was referred, with the papers connected therewith, to Colonel Harris, local manager, and General Patrick, governor, for investigation and report.

On motion, it was resolved that Colonel Harris be authorized to send such insane inmates as required restraint from the Central Branch to the Northwestern Branch, for admission to the Milwaukee County Insane Asylum.

On motion, it was resolved that when the board adjourn it be to 11 a. m., on the 17th of March, 1881, at the city of Washington, D. C.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The secretary presented the official bond of General Jacob Sharpe as acting treasurer of the Northwestern Branch, which, on motion, was approved by the board, and ordered to be filed with the secretary.

The resignation of Maj. R. E. Fleming as secretary of the Northwestern Branch was received and accepted, to take effect January 1, 1881.

On motion, the board proceeded to elect a secretary in his place.

General McMahan, by request of General Love, who was detained from the meeting by illness, presented the name of General Daniel Macauley, of Indiana. Major Fulton presented the name of Col. T. C. Moore, of Wisconsin.

A ballot was had, which resulted as follows:

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| General Daniel Macauley ..... | 4 |
| Col. T. C. Moore .....        | 3 |

General Macauley was thereupon declared elected.

The inspector-general submitted correspondence, plans, and estimates for a new dining hall at the Southern Branch.

On motion, the consideration of the subject was postponed until the next meeting of the board, in March.

The application of General Jacob Sharpe, deputy governor Northwestern Branch, to employ a citizen clerk, at a salary not to exceed seventy-five dollars per month, was received, and, after consideration, referred to Maj. D. C. Fulton, local manager, with power to authorize the employment of such a clerk if, in his opinion, it be found necessary.

A communication of General M. R. Patrick, governor Central Branch, relative to the necessity of constructing new barracks, dining hall, and water works, with accompanying papers, was received, and, after consideration, referred to Col. L. A. Harris, local manager, for investigation and report.

#### ESTIMATES AND APPROPRIATIONS.

The president presented estimates for the quarter ending March 31, 1881, which, after careful revision, were agreed upon, as follows:

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Central Branch, for current expenses and repairs .....      | \$140,000 00      |
| Northwestern Branch, for current expenses and repairs ..... | 29,000 00         |
| Eastern Branch, for current expenses and repairs .....      | 25,000 00         |
| Southern Branch, for current expenses and repairs .....     | 23,000 00         |
| For out-door relief and incidental expenses .....           | 4,000 00          |
| For clothing and bedding .....                              | 25,000 00         |
| For boiler for Central Branch .....                         | 600 00            |
| For artesian well at Northwestern Branch .....              | 3,000 00          |
| <b>Total .....</b>  | <b>249,600 00</b> |

Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the board of managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers estimate and appropriate out of the moneys which may be provided by law, the sum of two hundred and forty-nine thousand and six hundred dollars (\$249,600), as necessary to meet the current expenses of the four Branches of the Home for the quarter ending March 31, 1881, and for construction and repairs, clothing, and bedding, out-door relief, and incidental expenses of the National Home for the quarter; and that the acting treasurer be, and is hereby, authorized and empowered to take such measures as may be necessary to obtain the sum of two hundred and forty-nine thousand and six hundred dollars (\$249,600), the amount so appropriated, from the Treasury of the United States, and to receipt for the same in the name and behalf of the National Home.

The board then proceeded to consider applications for readmission, remission of penalties, and effects of deceased inmates, &c., and made the following orders:

#### READMISSIONS TO CENTRAL BRANCH.

The following named soldiers heretofore discharged are, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

William Newman, late Company B, Tenth New Jersey Volunteers.

James Clark, late Company H, Eighty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Patrick Broderick, late Company G, Fourth New Hampshire volunteers.

George Conway, late Ninth Massachusetts Battery.

William V. Campbell, late Company F, First Ohio Light Artillery, and Tenth Ohio Light Artillery.

Wilson Carnes, late Company I, Forty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and Company I, Twenty-first Veteran Reserve Corps.

Herman Niehaus, late Company G, Second Connecticut Volunteers.

Thomas G. Ormrod, late Fourth Battery Indiana Light Artillery.

Henry Lebeis, late Company K, Seventh New York Volunteers.

Samuel Lorish, late Company F, Ninety-fifth Ohio, and Company B, Second Ohio Volunteers.

Louis Link, late Company I, Twentieth Ohio Volunteers.

Levi Powell, late Company B, Eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

James McCabe, late United States Navy.

John McNeill, late Company L, Third United States Artillery, and M, Third Pennsylvania Cavalry.

William Hosey, late Company A, Eighth New Jersey Volunteers.

John Scott, late Company E, Twenty-ninth United States Colored Troops.

John Trimbur, late Company F, Fifty-fourth Ohio Volunteers, and Tenth Ohio Battery.

Henry Roscoe, late Company C, Fourth New York Volunteers.

Andrew Kuhns, late Company F, First Ohio Volunteers, and Company E, One hundred and eighty-second Ohio Volunteers.

John Kennedy, late Company E, Thirty-fourth Ohio Volunteers.

Jabob Gingssinger, late Company K, Fifty-eighth New York Volunteers.

Benjamin Franklin, late Company A, Twenty-sixth Ohio Volunteers, and Company C, Second Ohio Heavy Artillery.

Jacob Hick, late Company G, Fifth Ohio Volunteers.

Horace A. Hastings, late Company E, Nineteenth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Anthony Sullivan, late Company I, Eighteenth New York Volunteers.

The following named soldiers are readmitted, on condition that they do such work as the governor shall direct, without pay, for the periods set opposite their respective names:

Dennis Morrissey, late Company F, Forty-third New York, and United States Navy, one month.

Daniel McIlhenny, late Company A, Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and Company G, Third Pennsylvania Cavalry, two months.

John Pringle, late Company A, Ninety-seventh New York Volunteers, three months.

Louis Keifer, late Company B, First Missouri Light Artillery, and Company B, Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery, three months.

George Mitchell, late Company G, Seventh Indiana Volunteers, three months.

Thomas Carle, late Companies C and B, Tenth Massachusetts Volunteers, three months.

Edward Tisdell, late Company F, Third New York Volunteers, until further order of board.

The following named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they make absolute assignments to the National Home of their pension money, as follows:

John Roberts, late Company E, Sixty-seventh New York Volunteers, the whole for three months.

John W. Truitt, late Company F, Eighty-eighth Indiana, and Company E, One hundred and forty-second Indiana, one-half for three months.

Patrick Ford, late Company H, Eighteenth Ohio Volunteers, one-half for nine months.

George Nelson, late Company B, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers, one-half for six months.

John Gordon, late Company G, One hundred and fifty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, one-half for six months.

The following named soldiers are readmitted upon the annexed conditions:

On condition they pay their own transportation:

Cornelius Drost, late Companies C and F, Ninth New Jersey Volunteers.

John L. B. Andrews, late Company B, Ninth Maine Volunteers, and Thompson D. Gray, late Company I, Sixth Connecticut Volunteers, on condition that he pay for his transportation by labor at the Home.

John Maloney, late Company A, Ninety-first New York Volunteers, to pay cost of transportation from his pension.

Subject to semi-annual examination:

Isaac N. Wright, late Company G, Thirty-ninth Ohio Volunteers.

Carl Glass, late Company A, Twelfth Iowa Volunteers.

Francis Demarsh, late Company G, Twelfth United States Infantry, readmitted, application to be made for admission to Soldiers' Home in Washington.

George Evercott, late Company B, Twenty-seventh Ohio, re-admitted temporarily, to work without pay until next meeting of the board, when his record must be submitted.

The following named soldiers are readmitted under the rule adopted at the meeting of November, 1879 (printed minutes, page 565):

Joseph L. Hare, late Company A, Seventy-second Indiana Volunteers.

Joseph Wilson, late Company A, Twenty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Robert McKenzie, late Company H, Twenty-third Massachusetts Volunteers.

Martin A. McNamara, late Company D, Eighty-third New York Volunteers.

The applications of the following-named soldiers for readmission to the Home are denied :

George E. Starr, late Thirteenth Battery, Massachusetts Light Artillery.

James Barr, late Company A, Eighty-second New York Volunteers.

Josiah Nutting, late Company A, Sixteenth, and Company F, Nineteenth, Maine Volunteers.

William Henzel, late Company E, Eighty-eighth New York Volunteers, inmate of the New York State Home.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The following remissions and modifications are directed :

Theodore Binet, late Company A, Ninety-third Ohio Volunteers. Penalty remitted for good record.

Patrick M. McNamara, late Company A, Eighty-eighth New York Volunteers. Penalty remitted.

Anthony Hannappel, late Company A, Ninth New Jersey Volunteers. Penalty remitted.

Theodore Shuster, late Company B, Eleventh Indiana Volunteers. Penalty remitted.

Samuel Aldrich, late Company F, Third Michigan Volunteers. Penalty remitted.

John Purcell, late Company G, Sixty-sixth Ohio Volunteers. Penalty remitted.

Frederick Davis, late Company H, Second Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery. Penalty remitted.

Richard Starkey, late Company L, Third Michigan Cavalry. Penalty remitted.

Russel F. Dimmick, late Company E, First Wisconsin Volunteers. Three-fourths of penalty remitted, to be sent to applicant's wife.

The petitions of the following-named soldiers for remission of penalties are denied :

Benjamin S. Riley, late Company H, Eighty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and Company B, Forty-second United States Infantry.

George W. Day, late Company C, One hundred and twenty-eighth Ohio Volunteers, and Company F, Eleventh Ohio Volunteers.

Peter Sweeny, late Company B, Tenth New York Volunteers.

Robert Burton, late Company I, Thirty-first New York Volunteers.

Frank Kiglin, late Company I, Eleventh Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Thomas Toomey, late Company A, Sixty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The several applications of the following-named persons are granted, and the treasurer is ordered to make payments accordingly, taking the necessary vouchers :

Mrs. Ann Cunningham, 9 Penn street, Germantown, Pa., mother, for effects of Thomas Cunningham, late Company F, Seventy-first Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Mrs. Ann Hogan, New York, widow, for effects of John P. Hogan, late Company A, First New York Cavalry.

The application of M. J. Hogan, brother, 112 West Fourteenth street, New York, for effects of John Devlin, late Company I, Sixty-first New York Volunteers, is referred to General Martin T. McMahon, manager, with power.

The application of E. Patterson for Grace Call, sister, for effects of James Call, late Company F, Twelfth Pennsylvania Volunteers, is referred to General Coulter, with power.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—MISCELLANEOUS.

The following applications were presented for the action of the board:

Susie E. Eastman, widow of Gilbert B. Eastman, late Company M, Fifth Pennsylvania Artillery, to have remains of her late husband removed from pauper's grave at Meadville, Pa., to Soldiers' Cemetery at Central Branch. Referred to Col. E. F. Brown, inspector-general, who will cause the removal to be made, in accordance with his recommendation.

Edward K. Crebbin, late Companies I and F, Ninth Indiana Volunteers, telegraph operator, to be reimbursed in the sum of \$59.30, for cash and clothing destroyed in telegraph office, 1880. Referred to Colonel Harris, with power.

R. D. Hughes, agent American Express Company, for express charges, amounting to \$40, on the body of John Galvin, late Company C, First Connecticut Volunteers, from Dayton, Ohio, to Thompsonville, Conn. Payment ordered, under the special circumstances which appear in the case, but the action of the board in this case is not to serve as a precedent.

The following applications are denied:

Michael McGruder, late Company B, Fifty-fifth United States Colored Troops, to be permitted to remove fruit trees planted by him on Home farm, without cost to the Home.

Alexander Trepkey, late Company D, Sixteenth United States Infantry, and Company G, One hundred and forty-eighth Indiana Volunteers, for restoration of \$36.50 paid by him in lieu of labor without pay, while temporarily at Home, from December 30, 1873, to April 1, 1874; also for remission of \$35 fines imposed while at Southern Branch.

David S. Paun, late Company E, Fifty-eighth Massachusetts Volunteers, residing at Middleboro', Mass., that \$5.75, the value of railroad coupons lost while traveling from Milwaukee to Dayton, Ohio, be refunded him.

Patrick Conville, late Company F, Seventy-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, for the refunding of money paid by him for outside medical treatment.

The following applications are referred to the governor for investigation and report:

Andrew Gallup, late Company A, Sixth Connecticut Volunteers, for remission of balance of penalty, he having been readmitted on condition that he forfeit one-half his pension for one year from June, 1880.

Andrew Flack, late Company D, Twenty-fifth New York Volunteers, for remission of penalty imposed at last meeting of board.

W. T. McDowell, late Company E, One hundred and twenty-fourth Ohio Volunteers, for remission of penalty of \$14, imposed in 1878.

Michael Purcell, late sergeant Company G, Eighty-third New York Volunteers, for remission of penalty.

## READMISSIONS TO NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers, heretofore discharged, are, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

Peter Klein, late Fourteenth Michigan Battery.

Michael Moran, late Company B, Third Rhode Island Heavy Artillery.

Samuel McConnell, late Company B, Fifth Wisconsin Volunteers.

Jeheil J. Stevens, late Company K, Eighteenth New York Volunteers.

John Corkins, late Company E, Seventh Kansas Cavalry.

Joseph Arker, late Company M, Fifth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Christian T. Beyer, late Company L, First Iowa Cavalry.

John Buckris, late Company C, Sixth Missouri Volunteers.

Edward Cue, late Company F, Ninety-seventh New York Volunteers.

John Cazney, late Company C, Eighty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Patrick Desmond, late Company E, Sixty-fifth Illinois Volunteers.

John Downey, late Company D, Twelfth Illinois Cavalry.

Christopher Ester, late Company F, Forty-seventh Wisconsin Volunteers.

Adolph Fritz, late Company H, Fifty-second New York Volunteers.

Michael Feeley, late Company K, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

Daniel Howard, late Company A, One hundred and eighth New York Volunteers.

Edmund M. B. Hooker, late Company H, Twentieth Indiana Volunteers.

Charles Jacobi, late Company C, Eightieth Illinois Volunteers.

William R. Joyce, late Company G, Sixth Ohio Volunteers.

Michael Lynch, late Company G, Twelfth New York Cavalry, and Samuel Anderson, late Company G, Seventh Connecticut Volunteers, are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the deputy governor shall direct, without pay, for the period of three months.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they severally make absolute assignments to the National Home of their pension money, as follows:

John Smith, late Company C, Fourth Pennsylvania Cavalry, one-half for two months.

Patrick Ryan, late Company F, Fourteenth New York Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Dennis F. G. Lyons, late Company K, Eighth New Hampshire Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Michael Connors, late Company A, Fifteenth Iowa Volunteers, one-half for two months.

Henry Knowles, late Company C, One hundred and third Ohio Volunteers, one-half for four months.

The applications of the following-named soldiers for readmission are denied:

Ezra Sprague, late Company A, One hundred and nineteenth New York Volunteers.

Frederick Kingsley, late Company H, Fourteenth New York Heavy Artillery.

Charles Schwarz, late One hundred and third New York Volunteers.

## NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The following remissions and modifications are directed:

William Jones, late Company C, First Kentucky Volunteers, penalty remitted for good conduct.

Elisha Lewis, late Fifth Company Ohio Sharpshooters Volunteers, penalty remitted for good conduct.

Henry G. West, late Company D, Fifth Connecticut Volunteers, penalty remitted upon his furnishing sufficient proof of the truth of his statement.

The following applications are denied :

Dennis Conley, late Company D, Twelfth Iowa Volunteers.

John J. Icklin, late Company C, Eighteenth New York Volunteers.

#### NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The application of Mrs. H. Kimball, widow, for effects of Charles C. Kimball, late Company E, First Wisconsin Volunteers, is granted.

#### NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—MISCELLANEOUS.

The appeal of General Jacob Sharpe, deputy governor of the Northwestern Branch, for reconsideration of the action of Col. L. A. Harris, manager, on the case of Stephen Finnegan, late Company I, One hundred and sixty-fourth New York, after due consideration by the board, is dismissed, and the action of Colonel Harris in ordering Finnegan to Northwestern Branch sustained.

The application of John H. White, to be reimbursed for damages to his house by the provost-marshal of the National Home, is referred to Col. E. F. Brown, inspector-general, for investigation and report.

The application of Caspar N. Doose for \$4.08, pay for nine and one-half days' work, at forty-three cents per day, in 1879, is denied.

The application of Koch & Co., of Milwaukee, for payment for services as architects, amounting to \$2,043, is referred to Maj. D. C. Fulton for investigation and report.

#### READMISSIONS TO EASTERN BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers, heretofore discharged, are, for sufficient reasons, unconditionally readmitted :

William Corry, late Company H, Second Massachusetts Volunteers.

Cornelius Cornell, late Company H, Fifth New Hampshire Volunteers, and Company E, Third United States Cavalry.

Darby Dailey, late Thirteenth Massachusetts Light Artillery.

Conrad Fitzgerald, late Company C, Second Massachusetts Volunteers.

Peter Heney, late Company F, Fourth New York Cavalry.

Edward Hefferman, late Company E, Ninth Connecticut Volunteers.

Peter Harrington, late Company F, Twenty-ninth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Robert Hill, late Company B, Third Rhode Island Heavy Artillery.

Thomas Keenan, late Company F, Thirty-fourth New York Volunteers.

William H. Ketchum, late Company C, Twelfth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Denis Mahoney, late Company D, Twenty-fourth Massachusetts Volunteers.

John McKay, late Company C, Seventy-third New York Volunteers.

Thomas B. McClay, late Company K, Twentieth Maine Volunteers.

John Pickles, late Company F, Twenty-sixth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Charles Thompson, late Company H, Forty-second New York Volunteers.

Charles H. Wade, late Company F, Fifty-ninth Massachusetts Volunteers.

John Wilson, late United States Naval Brigade, Ohio.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the deputy governor shall direct, without pay, for the periods set opposite their respective names:

George C. Smith, late Company A, Eleventh Massachusetts Volunteers, six months.

Horatio W. Boyden, late Company E, Sixty-first Massachusetts Volunteers, three months.

John Englander, late Company G, Fifty-second New York Volunteers, three months.

Frank Hutchins, late Company K, First Massachusetts Volunteers, three months.

John Howard, late Company K, Second Massachusetts Cavalry, three months.

James Murray, late Company E, Fourteenth Maine Volunteers, three months.

Andrew Morang, late Company B, Eleventh Maine Volunteers, three months.

Gardiner Penniman, late Company E, Thirtieth Massachusetts Volunteers, three months.

William M. Perkins, late Second Rhode Island Band, three months.

James Coen, late Company F, Fourth Rhode Island Volunteers, three months.

John O'Brien, late Company G, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers, and Fifteenth New York Battery, two months.

Andrew Farley, late Company H, Thirty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, one month.

William Thorpe, late Fifth Rhode Island Heavy Artillery, one month.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted under the rule adopted at the meeting of November, 1879 (printed minutes, page 565):

John Dillon, late Company D, Thirteenth Connecticut Volunteers.

Griffith H. Griffith, late Company K, Twenty-fourth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Jesse Fowler, late Company K, Twenty-second Massachusetts Volunteers.

Francis Keegan, late Company B, Thirtieth Massachusetts Volunteers.

Dennis Mahany, late Company I, Ninth Maine Volunteers.

The application of Michael McCarthy, late Company H, Thirtieth Massachusetts Volunteers, for readmission, is referred back to the deputy governor for further report from surgeon.

#### EASTERN BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The application of Paul Strauss, late Company K, Forty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, for remission of penalty, is denied.

#### READMISSIONS TO SOUTHERN BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers, heretofore discharged, are, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

William H. Deery, Company G, Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, Mexican War.

Thomas Goodison, late Company K, Sixty-first New York Volunteers.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the deputy governor shall direct, without pay for the periods set opposite their respective names:

R. P. Todd, recruit, late Seventh Ohio Volunteers, three months.

Charles Alford, late Company C, Forty-eight Ohio Volunteers, six months.

Jacob Adams, late Company I, Fourth Maryland Volunteers, six months.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted, on condition that they severally make absolute assignments to the Home of their pension money, as follows:

Mansfield Wood, late Company C, Ninety-First Pennsylvania Volunteers, the whole for one year.

George H. Travis, late Company B, First Kentucky Light Artillery, one-half for two months.

Thomas Mitchell, late Company C, Fifty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, one-half for one month.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted under the conditions stated below :

William H. Harrison, late Company D, Second Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, on condition that he pay cost of transportation and clothing by labor at the Home, and work for three months additional without pay.

William F. Brown, late Company D, Fifty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, on condition that he assign one-half of his pension for three months to the Home, and work without pay for three months.

Thomas Ford, late Company K, Thirty-fifth Massachusetts Volunteers, on condition that he assign one-half his pension for three months to the Home, and work without pay three months.

William Berry, late Company I, Thirty-first Maine Volunteers, to pay cost of transportation by labor.

Joseph Wilson, late Company K, One hundred and thirty-second New York Volunteers, to pay cost of transportation by labor.

Alexander McCauley, late Company C, One hundred and forty-fifth New York Volunteers, to pay cost of transportation from pension or by labor.

John Murphy, late Company K, Fourth New York Volunteers, to pay cost of transportation from pension or by labor.

Edward Drumm, late Company G, Ninth New York Volunteers, to pay cost of transportation and clothing by labor or from pension.

The application of William H. Singleton, late Company A, Fifteenth New York Engineers, and Company F, Eighth United States Infantry, for readmission, is denied.

#### SOUTHERN BRANCH—PETITIONS FOR REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The following-named remissions and modifications are directed :

The application of James McDonald, late Company E, Eighty-second New York Volunteers, for remission of penalty, is referred to the deputy governor, with authority, upon being satisfied that the applicant has a dependent family, to pay over his pension to such family until further order of the board.

The application of Abraham Van Assim, late Company B, Fifty-first New York Volunteers. The recommendation of the deputy governor is approved. He will purchase a passage ticket out of the fines, and send

the same to Miss Marchant, to be given to the applicant when he sails.

The application of Joseph Ewald, late Company C, Third Maryland Volunteers, for remission of penalty, is referred to the deputy governor for report as to Home record and conduct.

The following applications for remission of penalties are denied :

M. J. Dillon, late Company H, Thirteenth New York Volunteers.

Michael Welsh, late Company H, Forty-seventh New York Volunteers.

#### SOUTHERN BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The application of Mrs. Rosina Walker, widow, for effects of Martin Walker, late Company G, One hundred and third New York Volunteers, is granted, and the treasurer is directed to make payment accordingly, upon proof of identity, taking the necessary vouchers.

The application of Mrs. M. Harris, daughter, for effects of John O'Neal, is referred to deputy governor for report.

#### SOUTHERN BRANCH—MISCELLANEOUS.

The application of Ely Post No. 47, G. A. R., Wilkesbarre, Pa., to be reimbursed for the funeral expenses of John T. Williams, late Company I, Fiftieth Pennsylvania Volunteers, is granted, and the acting treasurer will make payment accordingly.

There being no further business, the board, at 7 p. m., on the 16th instant, adjourned. to meet at Washington, D. C., on the 17th of March next, at 11 a. m.

M. T. McMAHON,  
*Secretary.*

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS, MARCH 17, 1881.

WILLARD'S HOTEL,  
*Washington, D. C., March 17, 1881.*

The board met in regular quarterly meeting at 11 a. m., and remained in session until March 19 at 4 p. m., having proceeded, during a recess, from Washington to the Southern Branch, where the session was continued and closed.

Present: Hon. Morrison R. Waite, Chief Justice of the United States; Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, Secretary of War; General William B. Franklin, president board of managers; Col. L. A. Harris, General Richard Coulter, General John A. Martin, Maj. David C. Fulton, General George B. McClellan, General Charles W. Roberts, General Martin T. McMahon.

Absent: The President of the United States; General John M. Palmer. A dispatch was received from General Palmer announcing his inability to attend the present meeting.

The president having announced the death of General John Love since the last meeting of the board, read the following extract from the act entitled, "An act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, and for other purposes," approved March 3, 1881:

Support of National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, \* \* \* and General John Love, of the State of Indiana, one of the managers of said Home, having died, General George B. McClellan, of the State of New Jersey, is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

General McClellan being present, thereupon took his seat as a member of the board.

The president submitted his accounts as acting treasurer, and, on motion, they were referred for audit to the following committee: General Coulter, General Martin, Colonel Harris.

On motion of General McMahon, it was

*Resolved*, That hereafter the commandant of each of the following branches of the Home, the Eastern, Northwestern, and Southern, shall be designated and known by the title of "governor," instead of "deputy governor," as heretofore, and where he performs the duty of treasurer, he shall be designated by that title, instead of "acting treasurer," as heretofore.

The secretary submitted the new bonds executed by the treasurers of the Central, Eastern, and Southern Branches, and called attention to the fact that they did not comply with the by-laws.

After discussion, General Martin moved to amend article 15 of the by-laws in relation to the bonds of the treasurers so that it shall read as follows:

He shall safely keep the moneys and the cash securities of the Home to which he is appointed; he shall deposit all moneys in his hands in such depositories as shall be selected by the president; he shall pay all orders of the governor, duly countersigned by the secretary of the Home, to the extent of the moneys appropriated by the board for the purposes of the order, but not otherwise; he shall keep full, accurate accounts of all the moneys received and paid by him on account of such Homes, so as at all times to exhibit its monetary condition; he shall have all his books, accounts, securities, and vouchers open at all times to the inspection of any member of the board, the governor, or secretary of such asylum.

The treasurer of the Central Branch shall give bond in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars, and the treasurers of the Northwestern, Eastern, and Southern Branches shall each give bond in the penal sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, payable to the National Home, with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the board, with condition that he will faithfully discharge and perform all the duties of his office, and that he will pay over and deliver all moneys and valuable things whatever belonging to the Home to which he is appointed, which he may have in his hands by virtue of his office or by order of the board.

The motion was adopted by unanimous vote, and the by-laws were thereupon declared amended.

The president offered the following resolution, which, upon motion, was adopted:

*Resolved*, That W. B. Franklin, acting treasurer, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, is hereby authorized to draw from the Treasurer of the United States any moneys that are due on account of interest on United States bonds standing in the name of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, or that of Benjamin F. Butler, president and acting treasurer.

Colonel Harris moved that the resolution adopted at the meeting of the board on the 18th of March, 1870, allowing applicants for admission the privilege of selecting the Home which they may prefer (printed Minutes, page 60), be repealed.

The motion was adopted.

Major Fulton offered the following resolution, modifying the resolution adopted December, 1880 (printed Minutes, page 640); which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That hereafter, in all cases of application of honorably discharged inmates for readmission, said application must be made in writing to the governor of the Branch to which he applies for admission. Such application shall then be forwarded to the governor of the Branch from which he was last discharged, who shall make up the case, giving the full Home history of the applicant, and forward the same to the local manager of the Home to which he applies for admission, and on his decision the case shall stand, and proper papers of readmission shall be made and subscribed as heretofore. If, however, the applicant feel aggrieved, and so desire, he shall have the right of appeal to the board, and if remaining in the Home shall work or pay \$9

per month for his board during the pendency of such appeal. The papers in such case must be forwarded by the governor, with the grounds of appeal clearly stated, and then it becomes a case for the board to consider.

On motion of General Coulter, it was

*Resolved*, That the president and secretary of the board be authorized to prepare a system of regulations to govern the payment of pensions for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1882, under the provisions of the act passed February 26, 1881, and to provide therein for payment of pension moneys, in whole or in part, to the families of pensioners in cases where it is proper that payment should be so made.

On motion of General Martin, a committee, consisting of General Martin, Major Fulton, and Colonel Harris, was appointed to prepare resolutions relative to the death of General Love.

The committee subsequently submitted the following report, which was unanimously adopted and ordered to be entered on the minutes:

The members of the Board of Managers received with sincere sorrow intelligence of the death of their late associate, General John Love, which occurred at Indianapolis, Ind., shortly after the last meeting of the board.

During nearly twenty years General Love was an officer in the Army, serving with distinguished credit during the Mexican War and in the War of the Rebellion. In civil life he held numerous positions of official trust, discharging his duties always with conspicuous integrity and usefulness.

His associates of the Board of Managers deem it appropriate to record their high appreciation of his character and public services. It is, therefore, ordered that the secretary have inserted in the copy of minutes of the present meeting a memorial page, in which shall be recorded a brief sketch of the life of General Love.

JNO. A. MARTIN.  
R. COULTER.  
D. C. FULTON.

TO THE MEMORY OF  
*GENERAL JOHN LOVE, OF INDIANA,*

Who died January 29, 1881, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

This page, by direction of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, of which he was an honored member, is inscribed, with the following brief account of his life and public services:

General JOHN LOVE was a native of Virginia. He entered the military service September 1, 1837, when he was appointed a cadet at West Point. He graduated with honors July 1, 1841, and was promoted brevet second lieutenant of the First Dragoons. He served in the cavalry school for practice at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, during the remainder of the year, when he received a full commission as second lieutenant, and was assigned to duty on the frontier, at Fort Gibson, Indian Territory. During the ensuing four years he was on duty at Fort Scott, Fort Leavenworth, and the Pawnee country, and accompanied an expedition to the South Pass of the Rocky Mountains. He was promoted first lieutenant of his command June 30, 1846, and entered the Mexican War. For gallant conduct at the assault on Santa Cruz de Rosales, March 16, 1848, he was brevetted captain, and was detailed as quartermaster March 12, 1849, and served as such for a year. During the two years succeeding the war he was on recruiting service, and resigned his commission February 1, 1853. He entered civil life as a railway contractor, and remained in that capacity until the outbreak of the rebellion, in the mean time acting as captain of an Indiana militia company. When the war broke out, in 1861, General Love was appointed chief of staff of Brigadier-General Morris, with rank of major, and served in the Western Virginia campaign. He was in the engagement which terminated in the evacuation of Laurel Hill by the rebels, July 11, 1861, and in the combat of Carrick's Ford, two days later. As Major-General of the Indiana Legion he served in the engagement in defense of Cincinnati, in September, 1862, and resigned his commission January 1, 1863. On July 11, 1863, John Morgan's band of guerrillas made a raid on Mount Vernon, Indiana. A force was organized, with General Love in command, and the raiders were repulsed with heavy loss. Since the war, General Love has been engaged in business as a real-estate broker in Indianapolis, and as agent in Europe for the Gatling Gun Company, of which he was a director. He was appointed a member of a commission to erect a new capitol building for the State of Indiana on May 24, 1877. He was elected by Congress manager of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers June 16, 1880, and served as such until his death, with great fidelity, zeal, and devotion to the interests of the Home. He attended all the meetings of the board, until prevented by illness from being present at the last one, and rendered other and almost constant services as a member of important committees during his term of service.

Major Fulton reported on the application of Cope & Co., architects, for increased compensation, which had been referred to him in December last, and recommended that the consideration of the subject be postponed until the September meeting, to afford applicants an opportunity to be heard in person before the board.

The recommendation was adopted.

On motion of Colonel Harris, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas it appears to the board that the Homes at Dayton, Milwaukee, Augusta, and Hampton are full, and that the new applications for admission are larger than ever before; and

Whereas it is apparent that it will not be possible to accommodate all that are now in the Homes, and all that, being entitled to the benefits of the Home, will apply for admission during the winter; and

Whereas it is probable that some of those now in the several Homes have so far recovered from wounds received or sickness contracted in the service as to be able to support themselves outside of the Homes: therefore,

*Resolved*, That the local manager of each Home appoint a commission of two surgeons, who shall carefully re-examine each inmate of the Home, and report to the board at its next meeting the result of such examination, giving in one list the names of all such as, in their opinion, have so far recovered as to be able to support themselves, and are, therefore, no longer entitled under the law to the benefits of the Home, and giving in another list the names of all such inmates as, in their opinion, are still disabled by wounds received or sickness contracted in the service. The said commission shall be composed of reputable and experienced surgeons, selected from the neighborhood of the Homes, and shall not include either of the regular surgeons of the Homes or any examining surgeon of the Pension Bureau; and for their services the said surgeons shall receive a compensation, to be paid by the treasurer of the Home for which the service has been rendered, not exceeding \$10 per day for the time actually employed in such duty.

*Resolved*, That the governor of each Home be, and is hereby, directed to furnish to such commission a convenient list of all the inmates of his Branch, and to afford all needful clerical and other assistance to facilitate said examination, and to provide suitable entertainment for them while so employed at the Home.

On motion of General Martin, the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the president and secretary of the board be instructed to prepare for submission to Congress at its next session a memorial, setting forth the fact that under the laws regulating admission to the Homes the board has no authority to admit soldiers who were not disabled during their term of service; that there are many soldiers who have been disabled since the war, and are now incapable of earning a living for themselves; that in many cases the condition of this class of soldiers is peculiarly distressing, as they are not entitled to pensions, and consequently have no means of support; and that, in the opinion of this board, the time is near at hand, if it has not already arrived, when the laws regulating admission to the Homes should be so modified as to give the Board of Managers discretionary power to admit worthy, destitute disabled soldiers whose disabilities cannot be traced to or were not incurred during their term of service.

On motion of Colonel Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That an appropriation, not to exceed \$8,000, be made for the purpose of gathering and distributing the sewage at the Central Branch, under direction of the local manager and governor.

General Coulter, from the Committee on Accounts of General Franklin as acting treasurer, submitted the following report, which was ordered to be received and placed on file:

HAMPTON, VA., March 19, 1881.

The undersigned have this day examined and audited the accounts of General W. B. Franklin, acting treasurer of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, for the quarter ending December 31, 1880, and find the same to be correct and supported by proper vouchers. The balance in his hands December 31, 1880, is \$104,832.27.

R. COULTER,  
L. A. HARRIS,  
JNO. A. MARTIN,  
*Auditing Committee.*

On motion, General McClellan was appointed a committee to make arrangements with the New Jersey Lunatic Asylum, at Morristown, in that State, for the reception, upon suitable terms, of the insane beneficiaries of the Home.

General McClellan, of the committee thus appointed, subsequently reported that he had made arrangements by telegraph with the superintendent for the admission of such beneficiaries, upon suitable terms, and that detailed information would be communicated to the governors of all the Branches.

Upon motion, the president, the secretary, and General Coulter were reappointed a committee on the subject of clothing for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1882, with full power to make all necessary contracts, and to carry out the views of the board in regard to the disposition to be made of the condemned clothing, according to their best discretion.

Upon motion of Major Fulton, it was resolved that the National Home of Disabled Volunteer Soldiers be represented at the Centennial Celebration to be held at Yorktown in October, 1881, in such manner as the president may deem advisable.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Hon. J. A. McMahon presented the following application of the Toledo, Delphos and Burlington Railroad Company for permission to enter the grounds of the Central Branch and erect a station at a point indicated on map accompanying the application:

*To General William B. Franklin, president, and managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteers :*

GENTLEMEN: The Dayton and Soldiers' Home Railroad Company's proposition, heretofore submitted to your honorable body, asking for the privilege of building and maintaining a railroad track in the grounds of the National Home for Disabled Volunteers, at Dayton, Ohio, is hereby again presented, with the following modifications, viz: The Toledo, Delphos and Burlington Railroad Company having purchased the controlling interest in the Dayton and Soldiers' Home Railroad, and also the Dayton and Southeastern Railroad, to the coal fields in Jackson County, Ohio, do hereby propose to extend their track into the Home grounds, entering in the valley south of the hospital, at a point on the map marked A; thence with the main track as indicated by B, with a siding, C. It is also proposed to establish a station at D, with express, telegraph, freight, and passenger facilities of a first-class road. Passenger trains will be placed on the road, and will run at regular intervals between the station D and the union depot in Dayton, Ohio, to meet the wants of the public and the requirements of the Home, and reduced rates will be made to the inmates of the Home.

#### COAL.

There are about ten thousand tons of coal consumed at the Home annually, and Jackson County coal has the preference on account of its superiority, and it is believed that seventy cents per ton can be saved by this proposed improvement.

#### LUMBER.

Lumber can be transported from the lakes to the grounds without change of gauge or breaking bulk.

#### PROVISIONS.

Provisions can be brought from Saint Louis or Iowa with the same advantage.

Your attention is especially called to the map of the Toledo, Delphos and Burlington Railroad, the red lines indicating the road, and the blue lines connections of the same gauge and proposed lines.

We, in behalf of the company we represent, respectfully ask your honorable body to take into careful consideration the points set forth, and grant us the privilege of immediate possession, that will enable us to prosecute our work to completion during the next ninety days.

JNO. M. CORSE,  
*President T., D. and B.*

After discussion, upon motion, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee, consisting of Colonel Harris, General Coulter, and General Martin, be appointed to prepare and cause to be executed a contract with the Toledo, Delphos and Burlington Railroad Company, covering all the details of their proposition, as presented in their memorial.

The following applications were received and action taken thereon as indicated:

For increase of pay of chaplain of the Southern Branch. Denied.

Application from Surgeon-General Barnes for appointment of Doctor Melcher on the medical staff of the Home. Received and ordered on file.

Application presented by Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Rogers, and Miss Hamilton, representing the Ladies' Soldiers' Aid Society, for the restoration of out-door relief in certain cases. Referred to the president of the board for such action as he might deem advisable.

The secretary announced that General Daniel Macauley, elected secretary of the Northwestern Branch at the last meeting of the board, declined to accept.

The board thereupon proceeded to the election of a secretary for the Northwestern Branch, and on the nomination of Major Fulton, General T. C. Moore was unanimously elected.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND APPOINTMENT OF AUDITING COMMITTEES.

On motion, the board proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, Colonel Harris, first vice-president, in the chair.

General Franklin was renominated for president of the board, and a ballot being had, he was unanimously elected.

Colonel L. A. Harris was placed in nomination for the position of first vice-president, and a ballot being had, he was unanimously elected.

General Richard Coulter being placed in nomination for the position of second vice-president, a ballot was had, and he was unanimously elected.

General Martin T. McMahon being placed in nomination for the position of secretary, a ballot was had, and he was unanimously elected.

Upon motion, the following visiting committees were ordered for the ensuing year:

*For the Northwestern Branch.*—General McMahon and General Palmer.

*For the Central Branch.*—General Martin and Major Fulton.

*For the Southern Branch.*—General Roberts and General Coulter.

*For the Eastern Branch.*—General McClellan and Colonel Harris.

#### ESTIMATES AND APPROPRIATIONS.

The president presented estimates for the quarter ending June 30, 1881, which, after careful revision, were agreed upon as follows:

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Central Branch, for current expenses and repairs .....      | \$119,743 90 |
| Northwestern Branch, for current expenses and repairs ..... | 23,542 15    |
| Eastern Branch, for current expenses and repairs .....      | 22,384 92    |
| Southern Branch, for current expenses and repairs .....     | 18,989 86    |
| For out-door relief and incidental expenses .....           | 4,000 00     |
| Total .....   | 188,660 83   |

Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers estimate and appropriate, out of the moneys which may be provided by law,

the sum of one hundred eighty-eight thousand six hundred and sixty  $\frac{33}{100}$  dollars, as necessary to meet the current expenses of the four branches of the Home for the quarter ending June 30, 1881, and for construction and repairs, clothing, and bedding, out-door relief, and incidental expenses of the National Home for the quarter; and that the acting treasurer be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to take such means as may be necessary to obtain the sum of one hundred eighty-eight thousand six hundred sixty  $\frac{33}{100}$  dollars, the amount so appropriated from the Treasury of the United States, and to receipt for the same in the name and behalf of the National Home.

#### NEW BUILDINGS.

Major Fulton offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That authority be given for the erection of a building at the Southern Branch, to be used for dining-room and other necessary purposes, to be known as the "Ward Memorial Building of the Southern Branch." This building shall be constructed at a cost not to exceed \$17,000, and its construction, plan, &c., shall be under the direction of the local manager and the governor. The cost of construction shall be defrayed as follows: \$14,000 of the moneys in the hands of the general treasurer, belonging to the Ward memorial fund shall be used for this purpose; and \$3,000 of the fund of the Southern Branch, arising from the sale of effects of deceased inmates, shall be used in its construction.

General Martin offered the following resolution; which, on motion, was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the sum of eight thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated from the store fund of the Southern Branch for the erection of a brick store building at that Branch, under the direction of and according to plans to be approved by the local manager and the governor of the Southern Home.

On motion, it was resolved that when the board adjourn, it be to meet at the Brunswick Hotel, in the city of Boston, on the 6th day of July, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

The board then proceeded to the consideration of applications for re-admission to the Home, remission of penalties, and for the effects of deceased beneficiaries.

#### READMISSIONS TO CENTRAL BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers heretofore discharged, are, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

Christian Frankenhansen, late Company C, Twenty-fifth Ohio Volunteers.

Samuel S. Bellman, late Company A, Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

John Wright, late Company H, Fourteenth Michigan Volunteers.

Timothy Ratigan, late Company G, One hundred and fortieth New York Volunteers.

Wreford Madge, late Company C, Fifty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Jacob W. Holderman, late Company G, Sixty-ninth Ohio Volunteers.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted, on condition that they do such work as the governor shall direct, without pay, for three months:

Abraham Carson, late Company K, Forty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Morris Powers, late Company I, Sixty-first New York Volunteers.

George Evercott, late Company B, Twenty-seventh Ohio Volunteers.

The following named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they severally make absolute assignments to the National Home of their pension moneys for three months:

John Murray, late Company H, Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and Company G, Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

John Hesson, late Company C, Eighty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers.  
Charles Hering, late Companies F and B, Seventh New York Volunteers.

John Reiley, late Company C, Fortieth Ohio, and Company I, Fifty-first Ohio, is readmitted on condition that he make assignment to the Home of his pension for three months, and pay \$9 per month for keep while temporarily at post.

John Hoyer, late Company A, Sixty-eighth New York Volunteers, is readmitted, having complied with the rule adopted at the meeting of November, 1879 (printed minutes, page 565), and the penalty is remitted from date of receipt of minutes at Home.

The application of Frances Scholze, late Company B, Twenty-first New York Volunteers, is referred to Gen. M. T. McMahon, with power.

The applications of the following-named soldiers for readmission are denied.

George W. Hope, late Company A, Sixth New York Cavalry.  
Charles Schwarz, late One hundred and third New York Volunteers.  
Michael Keith, late Company H, Twenty-third Kentucky Volunteers.  
David Easton, late Company G, Ninth New York Artillery, and Company E, Fourteenth Veteran Reserve Corps.  
James Healey, late Company F, Fifth Connecticut Volunteers.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The applications for remission of penalties in the following cases are granted:

William Jackson, late Company H, Second Ohio Heavy Artillery.  
Willis T. Willhoit, late Company I, Thirty-ninth Illinois Volunteers.  
Neal Hunter, late Company C, Second New York Heavy Artillery.  
John Roberts, late Company E, Sixty-seventh New York Volunteers.  
John A. Ryan, late Company B, One hundred and eighty-second Ohio Volunteers.

John Egan, late Company C, Third New Hampshire Volunteers.

In the following cases the penalties are remitted from date, March 17, 1881.

Andrew Flack, late Company D, Twenty-fifth New York Volunteers.  
Frederick Schneider, late Company C, Twenty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Robert McKenzie, late Company H, Twenty-third Massachusetts Volunteers.

Michael Purcell, late Company G, Eighty-third New York Volunteers.  
Martin McNamara, late Company D, Eighty-third New York Volunteers.

The application of Joseph L. Hair, late Seventy-second Indiana Volunteers, is referred to Col. L. A. Harris, with power.

The application of John Purcell, late Company G, Sixty-sixth Ohio, is granted, money to be sent to applicant's sister.

The application of William T. McDowell, late Company E, One hundred and twenty-fourth Ohio Volunteers, is referred to the governor for more definite report.

The petitions of the following-named soldiers for remission of penalties are denied:

John Maguire, late captain Company F, Second New York Volunteers.  
Andrew Gallup, late Company A, Sixth Connecticut Volunteers.  
Henry Howard, late Company L, Twentieth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

Andrew Robertson, late Company E, Seventy-ninth New York Volunteers.

Joseph Wilson, late Company A, Twenty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Theodore Shuster, late Company B, Eleventh Indiana Volunteers.

Thomas Curtis, late Company K, Sixty-ninth New York Volunteers.

James Young, late Company I, One hundredth Pennsylvania Volunteers, but amount due from him to the Home to be taken from next payment to wife.

#### CENTRAL BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The application of Joanna Michie for \$14.82, balance of money due estate of late Michael Michie, is granted, and the treasurer is ordered to make payment accordingly, taking the necessary vouchers.

Grace Call, sister, for effects of James Call late Company F, Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves. The treasurer is ordered to pay to Samuel Peoples, nephew, for her use.

The following applications are referred to Col. L. A. Harris, with power:

Lawrence Clark, for effects of Charles W. Lee, late Company L, Third New York Artillery, and Company A, Ninth United States Infantry.

Mrs. Ann M. Mayses, widow, for effects of James G. Mayses, late Company K, Twenty-sixth Iowa Volunteers.

Dennis Collins, for effects of Maurice Connor, late Company K, Thirty-ninth New York Volunteers.

Mrs. B. Ford, mother, for effects of Thomas Ford, late Company C, Sixty-ninth Indiana Volunteers.

Elizabeth Gallagher, sister, for effects of John Gallagher, late Company C, Seventy-second Pennsylvania Volunteers.

General John Heitz, consul-general of Switzerland, for effects of Benedict Geesbaugh, late Company I, Fourteenth Ohio Volunteers.

Harriet Jackaway, mother, for effects of Jos. M. Jackaway, late Company I, One hundred and eighty-third Ohio Volunteers.

John H. Rendigs, administrator, for effects of Frank Seeger, late Company B, Twenty-eighth Ohio Volunteers.

Sallie Shavlin, sister, for the effects of Patrick Shavlin, late Company C, One hundred and sixteenth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Sister Colomba, superior St. Elizabeth Hospital, Dayton, Ohio, for effects of Michael Sullivan, late Company G, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers.

Mrs. Louetta Turner, widow, for effects of Samuel Turner, late Company G, Ninth Illinois Cavalry.

Mrs. Mary A. White, widow, for effects of George O. White, late Company D, Forty-fourth Ohio Volunteers.

#### READMISSIONS TO NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers, heretofore discharged, are, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

Frederick Daume, late Company E, Seventh United States Infantry.

George W. Hughes, late Company D, Fourth Ohio Cavalry.

Michael Nicholson, late Company C, Twenty-eighth Massachusetts Volunteers.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they severally make absolute assignments of their pension moneys until June 30, 1881:

William Saulsbury, late Company A, Twenty-first Indiana Volunteers.  
John Lewis, late Company D, Ninetieth Illinois Volunteers.

The applications of the following-named soldiers for readmission are denied:

George Ackerly, late Company C, One hundred and forty-second New York Volunteers.  
David Hess, late Company B, Third Wisconsin Volunteers.

#### NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The application of John Collins, late Company A, Ninety-ninth New York Volunteers, is granted from date, on condition that he assign the amount of the penalty to his daughter.

The application of Philip Kinners, late Company D, Tenth Tennessee Volunteers, is referred to Maj. D. C. Fulton with power.

The applications of the following-named soldiers for remission of penalties are denied:

John Christopher, late Company C, Sixteenth Kansas Volunteers.  
Walter McCarty, late Company A, Twenty-third Illinois Volunteers.  
John E. Kenney, late Company A, First New York Engineers.  
Patrick Murphy, late Company H, One hundred and forty-seventh New York Volunteers.  
Edward Cue, late Company F, Ninety-seventh New York Volunteers.  
Peter Rooney, late Company C, Sixth New Jersey Volunteers.  
Rees Williams, late Company E, Seventh Michigan Volunteers.

#### NORTHWESTERN BRANCH—EFFECTS OF DECEASED INMATES.

The applications in the following cases are denied:

Mrs. C. L. Fuller, sister, for effects of Elisha Lewis, late Fifth Ohio Sharpshooters.

Francis Welsh, brother, for effects of James Welsh, late Company A, Fifty-second New York Volunteers.

#### READMISSIONS TO EASTERN BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers, heretofore discharged, are, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

Martin J. Forbes, late Company G, One hundred and eighth New York Volunteers.

John O'Riley, late Company C, Sixty-third New York Volunteers.

James Murphy, late Company D, Third Massachusetts Cavalry.

James M. Fogg, late Company G, Fourth New Hampshire Volunteers.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the governor shall direct without pay, for the period set opposite their respective names:

Dennis Downey, late Company K, Seventh Maine Volunteers, two months.

Nathan P. Vibberts, late Company D, Third Rhode Island Heavy Artillery, three months.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they severally make absolute assignments of their pension moneys as follows:  
Henry Ewald, late Company F, Forty-third New York Volunteers, one-half for three months.

Thomas O'Sullivan, late Company G, Sixteenth Massachusetts Volunteers, the whole for three months.

James Doorley, late Company K, Thirty-ninth Massachusetts Volunteers, the whole until June 30, 1881.

#### READMISSIONS TO SOUTHERN BRANCH.

The following-named soldiers, heretofore discharged, are, for sufficient reasons, readmitted unconditionally:

James O'Donell, late Company G, Twelfth Maine Volunteers.

William Higginbottam, late Company E, Seventy-first New York Volunteers.

Martin Folan, late Company E, Second New York Volunteers.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they do such work as the governor shall direct without pay, for the period set opposite their respective names:

Charles White, late Company H, Sixty-fifth New York Volunteers, until further order of the board.

John Craig, late Company H, Second United States Infantry, Mexican war, one year.

Joseph Benson, late Company F, Sixty-sixth New York Volunteers, for six months; his conduct to be exemplary during his connection with the Home, otherwise to be expelled, never to receive the leniency of the board again.

Nelson Shafer, late Company B, Fifth New Jersey Volunteers, six months, and summarily discharged upon first offense.

John Ryan, late Company G, Ninety-first New York Volunteers, six months, and if he repeats refusal to perform necessary company duty to be discharged, never again to be readmitted.

The following-named soldiers are readmitted on condition that they severally make absolute assignments to the National Home of their pension moneys, as follows:

Alexander Morrison, late Company K, Twenty-third Illinois Volunteers, one-half for three months.

Alexander Dieyliski, late Company I, Third New Jersey Cavalry, the whole for three months.

Frederick Klotzer, late Company G, One hundred and third New York Volunteers, the whole until June 30, and to work without pay until the further order of the board.

George Robson, late Company E, First New York Rifles, the whole until June 30, and to work without pay until the further order of the board.

The application of Michael F. Kelly, late Company I, Ninety-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, is granted on condition that he pay his own transportation.

The application of William Lawson, late Company I, Third New Jersey, is granted on condition that he pay transportation and clothing out of pension.

The application of James E. Hughes, late Company E, Ninety-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, is denied, he not being eligible under the law. Transportation will be furnished him to his home

The applications of the following-named soldiers for readmission are denied:

Stephen Fountain, late unassigned United States Colored Troops.  
Francis Stamford, late Company C, Fifteenth Connecticut Volunteers.  
Michael Dougherty, late Company I, Third New Jersey Volunteers.

SOUTHERN BRANCH—REMISSION OF PENALTIES.

The application of William Welch, late Company B, First New York Volunteers, is denied.

SOUTHERN BRANCH—MISCELLANEOUS.

The petition of Frank Kelley and John Atkinson, firemen, for increase of pay, is denied.

The application of John F. Crouch, late Company G, Seventieth New York Volunteers, for transfer and transportation to the Central Branch, is granted, upon condition that he work out his transportation before transfer.

The application of Thomas Duff, for transportation and admission to one of the Branches, is denied.

The board inspected the grounds and buildings connected with the Southern Branch, and examined the quarters of the beneficiaries. Several hours were devoted to the hearing of inmates who desired to present their cases in person to the board.

On the 19th instant, at 4 p. m., the board adjourned to meet at the Hotel Brunswick, Boston, Mass., at 10 a. m. on the 6th of July, 1881.

On Sunday morning, the 20th of March, the board assembled again informally, for the purpose of witnessing the Sunday morning inspection and parade of the inmates, and upon the close of the parade made a further inspection of the hospital and other buildings.

M. T. McMAHCN, *Secretary.*

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BRANCH.

THE NATIONAL HOME FOR  
DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,  
*Near Dayton, Ohio, July 1, 1881.*

GENERAL: I have the honor to present herewith to the honorable Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers the annual report of the Central Branch for the year ending June 30, 1881, with accompanying documents, comprising the reports of the several departments, marked as follows, viz:

- Report of Dr. A. H. Stephens, surgeon, marked A.
- Report of Capt. William Thompson, steward, marked B.
- Report of Maj. William N. Lough, secretary, marked C.
- Report of Col. J. B. Thomas, treasurer and quartermaster, marked D.
- Report of J. K. Rugg, engineer, marked E.
- Report of Rev. William Earnshaw, D. D., chaplain, marked F.
- Report of Maj. J. H. Chapman, postmaster, marked G.
- Report of Mrs. E. L. Miller, matron, marked H.

Report number excursions for the year, marked L.

Report of committee on amusements, marked K.

Report as to conduct and discipline, marked L.

Also, duplicates of tables sent you on the 25th instant; *i. e.*, post return (consolidated) year ending June 30, 1881; table exhibiting number of beneficiaries cared for yearly, &c.; printed tabular report and four copies printed minutes, proceeding Board of Managers July, September, and December, 1880, and March 17, 1881—meetings which it appears the secretary of the board usually included in his report to Congress.

Yours, very respectfully,

M. R. PATRICK,  
Governor.

Gen. M. T. McMAHON,  
*Secretary Board of Managers*  
*National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers,*  
*New York City.*

## REPORT.

### NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES.

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Whole number of disabled soldiers and sailors cared for or aided during the year.....   | 5,522  |
| Whole number cared for or aided at this Branch from its first establishment to June 30, 1881.....   | 15,045 |
| Number admitted during the year 938; readmitted, 239; transferred from other Branches, 64; total gain during the year.....  | 1,241  |
| Number honorably discharged during the year, 536; transferred to other Branches, 104; summarily discharged, 50; for the following causes: dishonorably, 22, as follows: for absence without leave, drunkenness and general misconduct, 4; abuse of officers, 1; writing threatening letters to officers of the Home, 3; using insulting, filthy, and abusive language at the Home Avenue Railroad depot in presence of ladies and children, 4; lounging about drinking saloons and refusing to return when ordered, 2; disobedience of orders in refusing to perform extra duty, penalties imposed by the governor for misconduct, 3; breaking arrest, 1; sent to the penitentiary by civil authorities for robbing a comrade on the highway, 2; imprisoned in the penitentiary for forging in pension claims, 1; imprisoned for grand larceny, 1; keeping a house of ill-fame, 1; total 22. Summarily discharged, 28, as follows: refusing to accept terms imposed by the Board of Managers as conditions of readmission, 5; refusing to surrender pension certificates to allow the Home to control arrears of pension, 23; total, 28. Deserted, 53; transferred to insane asylum, 12; died, 261; total loss from all causes during the year..... | 1,015  |
| Average number present during the year.....   | 3,595  |
| Average number present and absent during the year.....  | 4,525  |

Of the whole number cared for, 253 belonged to the Regular Army, 81 to the Navy, and 5,218 to the Volunteer service; 39 were colored men. There were disabled in the volunteer service during the war of the rebellion 5,361; in the war of 1812, 15; and in the Mexican war, 176.

### CAUSE OF DISABILITY.

Wounds resulting in loss of both hands, 2; loss of both feet, 2; loss of a leg and an arm, 1; loss of one arm, 79; loss of one leg, 111; disabled by other wounds received or disease contracted in the service, 5,357.

## They came from or enlisted in the following States:

|                            |     |                            |       |
|----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|-------|
| Alabama .....              | 2   | New York .....             | 834   |
| Arkansas .....             | 2   | New Jersey .....           | 146   |
| California .....           | 27  | New Hampshire .....        | 20    |
| Colorado .....             | 3   | New Mexico .....           | 3     |
| Connecticut .....          | 90  | Ohio .....                 | 1,460 |
| Delaware .....             | 20  | Oregon .....               | 2     |
| District of Columbia ..... | 41  | Pennsylvania .....         | 855   |
| Illinois .....             | 338 | Rhode Island .....         | 11    |
| Indiana .....              | 514 | South Carolina .....       | 1     |
| Iowa .....                 | 59  | Tennessee .....            | 31    |
| Kansas .....               | 28  | Texas .....                | 7     |
| Kentucky .....             | 271 | Utah .....                 | 1     |
| Louisiana .....            | 31  | Vermont .....              | 12    |
| Maine .....                | 21  | Virginia .....             | 14    |
| Maryland .....             | 65  | Washington Territory ..... | 2     |
| Massachusetts .....        | 136 | West Virginia .....        | 43    |
| Michigan .....             | 233 | Wisconsin .....            | 48    |
| Minnesota .....            | 13  | Florida .....              | 2     |
| Missouri .....             | 157 |                            |       |
| Mississippi .....          | 6   | Total .....                | 5,552 |
| Nebraska .....             | 3   |                            |       |

Their ages were as follows: Between 30 and 40 years, 942; between 40 and 50, 1,600; between 50 and 60, 1,710; between 60 and 80, 1,262; between 80 and 100, 38.

The number with wives or minor children still living number 1,680.

Of the whole number cared for, 2,108 were born in the United States and 3,444 were foreign born. Nativity of the latter:

|                           |       |                   |       |
|---------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| Austria .....             | 16    | Italy .....       | 1     |
| Belgium .....             | 5     | Norway .....      | 3     |
| Canada .....              | 61    | Russia .....      | 4     |
| Denmark .....             | 6     | Scotland .....    | 80    |
| England .....             | 219   | Sweden .....      | 4     |
| France .....              | 72    | Switzerland ..... | 93    |
| Germany and Prussia ..... | 1,501 | Wales .....       | 17    |
| Hungary .....             | 6     | West Indies ..... | 1     |
| Holland .....             | 12    | At sea .....      | 2     |
| Ireland .....             | 1,338 |                   |       |
| Isle of Jersey .....      | 1     | Total .....       | 3,444 |
| Isle of Man .....         | 2     |                   |       |

## Trades or occupations which they formerly followed:

|                     |     |                         |     |
|---------------------|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| Actors .....        | 2   | Cabinet-makers .....    | 69  |
| Agents .....        | 23  | Calkers .....           | 2   |
| Auctioneers .....   | 1   | Carvers, wood .....     | 5   |
| Bakers .....        | 60  | Carriage-makers .....   | 8   |
| Barbers .....       | 19  | Carriage-trimmers ..... | 3   |
| Bar-tenders .....   | 1   | Carriage-painters ..... | 3   |
| Bill-posters .....  | 1   | Coachmen .....          | 4   |
| Brick-makers .....  | 13  | Comb-makers .....       | 1   |
| Brick-layers .....  | 15  | Calico-printers .....   | 2   |
| Brewers .....       | 20  | Cap-makers .....        | 1   |
| Boiler-makers ..... | 7   | Chair-makers .....      | 7   |
| Bolt-makers .....   | 1   | Chiropodists .....      | 1   |
| Broom-makers .....  | 6   | Civil engineers .....   | 5   |
| Blacksmiths .....   | 99  | Cigar-makers .....      | 36  |
| Boatmen .....       | 16  | Cistern-makers .....    | 1   |
| Bookbinders .....   | 19  | Clock-makers .....      | 3   |
| Bookkeepers .....   | 18  | Clerks .....            | 124 |
| Bottlers .....      | 2   | Cooks .....             | 21  |
| Butchers .....      | 87  | Confectioners .....     | 3   |
| Basket-makers ..... | 4   | Coopers .....           | 80  |
| Bell-makers .....   | 1   | Collar-makers .....     | 1   |
| Boot-fitters .....  | 2   | Conductors .....        | 3   |
| Brush-makers .....  | 6   | Coppersmiths .....      | 7   |
| Carpenters .....    | 245 | Cutlers .....           | 5   |

|                            |        |                          |        |
|----------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--------|
| Draymen.....               | 3      | Physicians .....         | 8      |
| Dairyman.....              | 1      | Paper-hangers.....       | 11     |
| Draughtsmen .....          | 1      | Paper-makers .....       | 6      |
| Dentists.....              | 1      | Pistol-makers.....       | 3      |
| Drovers.....               | 1      | Potters.....             | 3      |
| Druggists.....             | 21     | Photographers.....       | 3      |
| Dyers.....                 | 8      | Pilots.....              | 3      |
| Engineers (steam).....     | 49     | Pipe setter.....         | 1      |
| Engravers.....             | 2      | Puddlers, iron.....      | 11     |
| Editors.....               | 1      | Pump-makers.....         | 1      |
| Elocutionists.....         | 1      | Pyrotechnists.....       | 1      |
| Farmers.....               | 724    | Railroaders.....         | 20     |
| Fishermen.....             | 2      | Rope-makers.....         | 5      |
| File-cutters.....          | 1      | Salesmen.....            | 11     |
| Finishers (brass).....     | 4      | Sailmakers.....          | 4      |
| Finishers (iron).....      | 3      | Safemakers.....          | 1      |
| Firemen.....               | 4      | Sawyers, wood.....       | 7      |
| Foundrymen.....            | 1      | Seamen.....              | 46     |
| Furniture dealers.....     | 1      | Sexton.....              | 1      |
| Gardeners.....             | 84     | Saddlers.....            | 18     |
| Gas-makers.....            | 1      | Shoemakers.....          | 192    |
| Glass-blowers.....         | 2      | Silversmiths.....        | 5      |
| Glass-stainer.....         | 1      | Ship-carpenters.....     | 5      |
| Glove-makers.....          | 1      | Soapmakers.....          | 2      |
| Grainers.....              | 1      | Slaters.....             | 2      |
| Gilders.....               | 2      | Slateshavers.....        | 1      |
| Gold-beaters.....          | 1      | Stocking-makers.....     | 1      |
| Gunsmiths.....             | 4      | Stove-polishers.....     | 1      |
| Gasfitters.....            | 5      | Spinners, cotton.....    | 9      |
| Grain inspectors.....      | 1      | Spinners, wool.....      | 3      |
| Harness-makers.....        | 23     | Spinners, hair.....      | 1      |
| Hatters.....               | 22     | Spinners, silk.....      | 1      |
| Hotel keepers.....         | 1      | Stage-drivers.....       | 8      |
| House movers.....          | 1      | Stone-cutters.....       | 39     |
| Hostlers.....              | 14     | Students.....            | 2      |
| Iron rail makers.....      | 3      | Shepherds.....           | 1      |
| Jewelers.....              | 6      | Tailors.....             | 141    |
| Joiners.....               | 1      | Tanners.....             | 7      |
| Laborers.....              | 2, 209 | Telegraph operators..... | 6      |
| Lawyers.....               | 6      | Teachers.....            | 24     |
| Leather dressers.....      | 1      | Teamsters.....           | 31     |
| Lithographers.....         | 3      | Tinsmiths.....           | 24     |
| Liverymen.....             | 1      | Tobacco-spinners.....    | 3      |
| Locksmiths.....            | 7      | Tobacconists.....        | 5      |
| Lumbermen.....             | 3      | Toll-keepers.....        | 1      |
| Machinists.....            | 68     | Tool-makers.....         | 2      |
| Magicians.....             | 1      | Track-layers.....        | 1      |
| Marble cutters.....        | 5      | Trunk makers.....        | 2      |
| Marble polishers.....      | 2      | Turners.....             | 2      |
| Masons, stone.....         | 47     | Type-founders.....       | 3      |
| Millers.....               | 12     | Umbrella-makers.....     | 2      |
| Millwrights.....           | 6      | Upholsterers.....        | 6      |
| Miners.....                | 35     | Undertaker.....          | 1      |
| Ministers.....             | 4      | Varnishers.....          | 10     |
| Molders, iron.....         | 36     | Veterinary surgeons..... | 3      |
| Molders, brass.....        | 2      | Watch-makers.....        | 7      |
| Musicians.....             | 20     | Wagon-makers.....        | 12     |
| Nail-makers.....           | 5      | Watchmen and police..... | 6      |
| Newsdealers.....           | 1      | Waiters, hotel.....      | 14     |
| Organ-makers.....          | 1      | Wheelwrights.....        | 4      |
| Oystermen.....             | 1      | Whitesmiths.....         | 1      |
| Painters and glaziers..... | 103    | Wireworkers.....         | 2      |
| Pavers.....                | 3      | Wood-choppers.....       | 4      |
| Peddlers.....              | 10     | Weavers.....             | 46     |
| Plumbers.....              | 4      | Wig-makers.....          | 1      |
| Plasterers.....            | 27     |                          |        |
| Printers.....              | 55     | Total.....               | 5, 552 |

Of the whole number present June 30, 1881, 3,116 could read and write, and 302 could neither read nor write; of the latter, 22 per cent. were native born and 78 per cent. were foreign born.

## HEALTH.

The whole number of deaths from all causes in the Home within the year was 261. Nearly all of these were from causes resulting from old age, injuries, and chronic diseases of various kinds contracted in service, as will be seen by reference to the report of the surgeon, appended hereto, marked A. Of the 1,076 cases of disease treated in the hospital, it will be seen that very few indeed originated in the Home. Of the healthfulness of this locality, as well as of its sewage and drainage system, there can be no doubt.

With the increasing years and infirmities of our inmates much more extended hospital accommodations must be provided for them. During the last winter and until relief was afforded by warm weather the hospital and supplemental buildings were crowded far beyond their reasonable capacity, while epileptics and partially insane persons were quartered in buildings entirely insufficient and unfit for the purpose. For the insane, of whom we have many, requiring frequent if not constant confinement, we have almost no accommodation.

The accompanying report of Surgeon Stephens, in reference to the pressing wants of the hospital department, merits the prompt attention of the board, that such additional facilities as are needed in his department, may be provided before the setting in of cold weather.

While the close attention that is given to bathing among all the inmates gives additional security from many diseases, every man in the Home outside of the hospital is required to bathe at least once a week, making nearly 600 baths per day in the general bath-house, which is furnished at all times with an ample supply of hot and cold water, and which is kept at all times in inspection order as to cleanliness.

## SUBSISTENCE.

The subsistence department under the control of the steward, Capt. William Thompson, has been so managed as very satisfactorily to meet the requirements of the great number of persons to be fed under very disadvantageous circumstances. Not only is there great want of store room for supplies, but the capacity of the great dining hall to seat the inmates has been taxed to its utmost extent. To feed our men has required the setting of three tables, each being filled nine times per day. To do this, work must be commenced at a very early hour in the morning and continued until a very late hour at night, to say nothing of the hinderances to organized labor when only a part of the men engaged on the same work can be fed at the same hour. The report of the steward is appended hereto, marked B.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

By reference to report of the secretary, herewith, marked C, it will be seen that the current expenses for the year ending June 30 last amounted to \$555,979.43; average number of men present during the year, 3,595. His report gives first a tabular statement. Under the head of special appropriations will be found an expenditure of \$25,279.90 for the various purposes therein stated, including the additional purchase of about 32 acres of land, alteration and improvements in hospital, and two new boilers for the pump-house.

The credits for the farm and garden up to the 30th of June, are not so large as heretofore. First, in consequence of changing the vegetable

gardens from the northern to the southern part of the Home territory; second, the lateness of the season, which prevented the ordinary returns before the 30th June. The farm and vegetable garden have been very judiciously managed since the commencement of 1881, under adverse circumstances, and the cost of team work in transportation and hauling within the Home has been greatly reduced by owning and handling our own teams, consisting of 43 mules and horses, including 16 mules purchased during the past year. There are also owned by the Home at this date 126 head of horned cattle, as follows:

*Blooded stock.*—Fifty-eight short horns, 15 Alderneys.

*Common stock.*—Fifty-three cows and oxen, also 170 hogs, and 91 sheep and lambs.

The flower garden, under the admirable management of Mr. Charles Beck, continues to yield very profitable returns.

#### SHOPS.

Of the various mechanical trades which are carried on in the Home, there has been a handsome profit on all, with the single exception of upholstery, on which there was a small loss, which is accounted for by the value of the work turned out of this shop being underestimated in the monthly and quarterly reports—otherwise a considerable profit would undoubtedly appear.

#### STORE FUND.

The reduction of liability in the Home store fund is \$6,976.52. The net profit, however, is reduced to \$4,793.87—

#### AMUSEMENTS.

The difference being accounted for by payments made on account of amusements, band, billiard room, as shown in the secretary's statement of expenses and receipts by subdivisions.

#### CLOTHING.

The report of the treasurer and acting quartermaster in charge of clothing marked D, shows the money value of last year's issue at \$73,702.39, and of sales to pensioners and laborers, \$923.28; making a total of \$80,625.67. Since the commencement of the year 1881, and especially since the severity of winter had past, the number of great coats issued to non-pensioners and impecunious beneficiaries, has been less than usual for the reason that they are not needed in warm weather, and should the new, heavily lined sack coats be ready for issue before the cold weather sets in, to many of these men overcoats would be needless. The check which has been placed upon the sales of clothing, by requiring all beneficiaries to turn in their old garments before the issue of new ones, has diminished the issues to non-pensioners very largely. With the adoption of the new sack coat, it is my belief that beneficiaries can be well clothed at less cost than at present.

#### WATER, HEAT, AND STEAM.

The report of the chief engineer is appended hereto marked E, from which it will be seen that a large amount of necessary work has been performed within the year to meet the constantly increasing demands

of the Home. The appointment of the present engineer, Capt. J. H. Rugg, on the 1st of June was too late in the season to take up and carry out any extended plan for improving the water and steam supply of the Home. The work done during the last year was mainly to keep the present system in running order with such extensions as were rendered necessary by the changes of vegetable garden, cattle yards, &c., with hospital and other changes.

The report of Chaplain Earnshaw, marked F, and that of Maj. J. H. Chapman, postmaster, marked G, are herewith submitted. Also the report of Mrs. E. L. Miller, the matron in charge of laundry and linen rooms. A glance at the latter shows the enormous demand made upon the laundry. It is quite impossible with existing facilities to meet the requirements of the 4,000 to 5,000 inmates of this Home in keeping their garments, bedding, &c., in a desirable condition.

#### EXCURSIONS, &C.

The Home continues to attract large numbers of visitors and during the season of excursions, picnics, &c., the grounds are thronged. During the warm season many citizens of Dayton drive out in the evening to listen to the music of the band, and when the theater is open stay and witness the performances. Especially is this the case on Saturday evening, when the Brown guards have drill and dress parade. (See J.)

The attendance upon the theater is always large.

The amount expended for amusements (see report of secretary marked C, page 12) proves to be a profitable investment for the Home. Cut off by their position and disabilities from domestic associations and the various objects that give interest to ordinary life, a large proportion of our inmates find not only amusement but healthful influences resulting from their participation in the various amusements provided for them.

The report of the amusement committee, marked K, accompanies this annual report.

#### CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE.

A statement of the number of offenses committed at this branch during the year shows 3,659, who have committed no offenses as against 1,893 who have committed from 1 to 15 offenses. (See L.) Of those who have committed repeated offenses, nearly or quite all are the victims of intemperance, and their offenses, directly or indirectly, are caused by strong drink.

During my long experience in the control of men, both in the Army and out of it, I have learned that punishment for offenses growing out of drinking habits conduces little if anything to reformation. To restrain such men of their liberty, to prevent them from going in the way of temptation, and to throw all possible safeguards around them, is, in my judgment, the only course to pursue with this class of inmates in our National Home.

Situated as this Central Branch is, in close proximity to a city, and surrounded on all sides by low resorts for drunkards, it follows as a necessary consequence that the discipline of the Home and welfare of the inmates are largely affected by these influences. As these dens of iniquity, of which I have spoken, are supported almost entirely by the Home, and as a very large proportion of the inmates who patronize them are without funds, their clothing has been purchased, and often taken by force by these whisky men, to the great detriment and loss of the United States. By some of the saloon keepers a large business has been carried on in purchasing this clothing of the inmates, cleansing,

refitting, and shipping it to clothing houses in Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, and elsewhere. To correct this nefarious system of robbery and plunder, a suit has been brought against one of the most prominent dealers of this character in the United States court at Cincinnati, the party being now under indictment.

As the law of Congress which establishes the National Home places all its inmates under the rules and Articles of War, and to be governed entirely in the same manner as if they were in the Army of the United States, and as the clothing with which they are supplied is furnished by the United States, it is a matter of much importance that the penalties for purchasing from them such property should be enforced by the United States courts.

#### SEWAGE.

Soon after my arrival here in October last I was waited on by a committee of land-owners north of the Home territory, who represented that nearly all the drainage of the Home was discharged into a small stream running through and watering their own lands. They stated what investigation proved true, that not only was the water of said stream rendered entirely unfit for cattle to drink, but that the effluvia arising therefrom was greatly detrimental to the health and comfort of all persons residing in that neighborhood. On examining the records of the board, I found that this matter had already been discussed in board and referred to a committee, but as no steps had been taken to relieve these land-owners of what they regard as a nuisance, they had decided to take legal measures for its abatement. This matter having again been laid before your honorable board at its meeting on the 17th of March last, an appropriation of \$8,000 was granted for the purpose "of gathering and distributing the sewage of the Home." From various causes, such as the extreme lateness in the opening of the season, the change of farmer and farm system, the disorganization of labor from causes before alluded to, and the want of a thoroughly qualified engineer to carry out our plans, the work was delayed until the 8th of June, when excavations were commenced. The levels and plans generally had been already established by the civil engineer, when, by the appointment of Steam-Engineer Rugg to the charge of water and steam system, on the 1st of June, we were enabled to go forward more systematically with the work. Since that time very satisfactory progress has been made, and before the close of the season it will doubtless be in successful operation.

By this system of sewage not only our neighbors, but we ourselves, will be relieved of a great nuisance. Our lands also will be greatly enriched by the distribution of these fertilizing elements on all its levels and slopes that do not allow a drainage to the lakes so as to affect their waters, which supply the Home.

The appropriation for the improvement of the lakes has not been expended for the reason that as yet deeds have not been obtained for the lands which must necessarily be taken in making these improvements. By the time we are in readiness to go on with the work there is no doubt but that the necessary deeds will be on record. To protect and improve the surroundings of our lakes is not only to protect and improve our entire water supply, but to add, perhaps more than any other one element, to the attraction of this Central Branch of the National Home.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. R. PATRICK,  
*Governor.*

Table exhibiting the average number of beneficiaries present, absent, and sick; the total loss from all causes; the number present on November 30, each year, and the whole number of beneficiaries cared for during each year since the establishment of the Central Branch, to and including June 30, 1879, six months of fiscal year, and the present year, commencing July 1, 1880, to and including June 30, 1881.

| Year ending June 30— | Average number present and absent during each year. | Average number present during each year. | Average number sick in hospital, including attendance, during each year. | Average number absent with leave during each year. | Average number absent without leave during each year. | Gain each year. |                 |                                  |                           |             | Loss during each year. |                            |                                |  |           |               | Total number present and absent November 30 of each year; December 31 and to June 30, 1879, and 12 months from January, 1879, to June 30, 1880-81. | Whole number of beneficiaries cared for during each year, and for 6 months from July 1, 1879, to June 30, 1880-81. |             |
|----------------------|---|--|--|--|---|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------|---------------|--|--|-------------|
|                      |   |  |  |  |   | By admission.   | By readmission. | By transfer from other branches. | By return from desertion. | Total gain. | By discharge.          | By dishonorable discharge. | By transfer to other branches. | By transfer to Government Hospital for Insane. | By death. | By desertion. |  |  | Total loss. |
| 1867                 | 403   | 361                                      | 146  | 29   | 14  | 616             |                 |                                  |                           | 616         | 65                     |                            |                                |  |           |               | 65   | 551  | 616         |
| 1868                 | 732   | 602                                      | 168  | 111  | 8   | 630             | 26              | 103                              |                           | 759         | 349                    | 14                         | 41                             |  | 27        | 20            | 451  | 869  | 1,320       |
| 1869                 | 1,059   | 837                                      | 208  | 162  | 9   | 872             | 52              |                                  |                           | 924         | 415                    | 24                         | 53                             |  | 42        | 35            | 569  | 1,224  | 1,793       |
| 1870                 | 1,305   | 935                                      | 261  | 357  | 10  | 657             | 62              | 11                               |                           | 730         | 320                    | 9                          | 30                             |  | 78        | 509           | 1,445  | 1,954  |             |
| 1871                 | 1,575   | 1,122                                    | 284  | 407  | 9   | 738             | 66              | 6                                |                           | 810         | 395                    | 11                         | 111                            |  | 70        | 23            | 610  | 1,645  | 2,255       |
| 1872                 | 1,669   | 1,271                                    | 295  | 381  | 17  | 693             | 65              | 30                               |                           | 788         | 524                    | 18                         | 31                             |  | 104       | 30            | 707  | 1,719  | 2,426       |
| 1873                 | 1,874   | 1,443                                    | 306  | 401  | 8   | 765             | 131             | 51                               |                           | 947         | 326                    | 18                         | 49                             | 22   | 108       | 16            | 539  | 2,125  | 2,664       |
| 1874                 | 2,346   | 1,833                                    | 324  | 499  | 7   | 893             | 159             | 79                               |                           | 1,131       | 410                    | 26                         | 77                             | 4  | 130       | 34            | 681  | 2,574  | 3,255       |
| 1875                 | 2,651   | 2,130                                    | 311  | 494  | 5   | 978             | 98              | 119                              |                           | 1,195       | 617                    | 28                         | 50                             | 19   | 150       | 58            | 922  | 2,847  | 3,769       |
| 1876*                | 3,075   | 2,511½                                   | 322  | 548  | 12  | 1,044           | 229             | 64                               |                           | 1,337       | 642                    | 25                         | 54                             | 17   | 155       | 78            | 971  | 3,213  | 4,184       |
| 1877                 | 3,398   | 2,819                                    | 333  | 589  | 12  | 1,134           | 201             | 75                               |                           | 1,410       | 565                    | 18                         | 72                             | 27   | 174       | 68            | 924  | 3,699  | 4,623       |
| 1878†                | 3,813   | 3,172                                    | 346  | 667  | 12  | 1,041           | 290             | 61                               | 2                         | 1,394       | 631                    | 22                         | 79                             | 9  | 200       | 71            | 1,032  | 4,061  | 5,093       |
| 1879                 | 4,054   | 3,386                                    | 335  | 708  | 13  | 406             | 92              | 37                               |                           | 535         | 261                    | 13                         | 46                             | 18   | 145       | 37            | 520  | 4,076  | 4,596       |
| 1880                 | 4,160   | 3,399                                    | 255  | 799  | 12  | 947             | 212             | 69                               |                           | 1,228       | 660                    | 19                         | 52                             | 13   | 199       | 50            | 993  | 4,311  | 5,304       |
| 1881                 | 4,525   | 3,595                                    | 299  | 914  | 31  | 938             | 239             | 64                               |                           | 1,241       | 536                    | 38                         | 104                            | 12   | 261       | 64            | 1,015  | 4,537  | 5,552       |
| Total                |   |  |  |  |   | 12,352          | 1,922           | 769                              | 2                         | 15,045      | 6,736                  | 283                        | 849                            | 141  | 1,837     | 662           | 10,508   |  |             |

\*13 months ending December 31, 1876.

†Six months to June 30.

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## PRESENT FOR DUTY.

## Commissioned officers:

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Governor .....                    | 1        |
| Treasurer and quartermaster ..... | 1        |
| Surgeon .....                     | 1        |
| Secretary .....                   | 1        |
| Steward .....                     | 1        |
| Chaplain .....                    | 1        |
| Matron .....                      | 1        |
| Total .....                       | <u>7</u> |

## Non-commissioned officers:

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Post adjutant .....          | 1         |
| Sergeant-major .....         | 1         |
| Assistant steward .....      | 1         |
| Commissary-sergeant .....    | 1         |
| Quartermaster-sergeant ..... | 1         |
| Hospital steward .....       | 1         |
| Lieutenant home guard .....  | 1         |
| Sergeant provost guard ..... | 2         |
| Sergeants .....              | 33        |
| Total .....                  | <u>42</u> |

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Privates ..... | 2,007 |
|----------------|-------|

## Hospital:

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Sick .....       | 223        |
| Attendants ..... | 76         |
| Total .....      | <u>299</u> |

## Extra duty:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Privates ..... | 999 |
|----------------|-----|

## Total present:

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Commissioned officers .....     | 7     |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 42    |
| Privates .....                  | 3,305 |

## ABSENT.

## With leave:

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Privates ..... | 1,131 |
|----------------|-------|

## Without leave:

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| Privates ..... | 59 |
|----------------|----|

## Total:

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Privates ..... | 1,190 |
|----------------|-------|

## PRESENT AND ABSENT.

## Total present and absent:

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Commissioned officers .....     | 7     |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 42    |
| Privates .....                  | 4,495 |

## Aggregate:

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| This report ..... | 4,544 |
| Last report ..... | 4,318 |

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Net gain for the year ..... | <u>226</u> |
|-----------------------------|------------|

## CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT.

## Gain.

## Commissioned officers:

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| By appointment ..... | 2 |
|----------------------|---|

|                      |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| Privates:            |       |
| By admission .....   | 938   |
| By readmission ..... | 239   |
| By transfer .....    | 64    |
| Total .....          | 1,241 |

## Loss.

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Commissioned officers:                  |       |
| By transfer .....                       | 3     |
| Privates:                               |       |
| By discharge .....                      | 313   |
| By summarily discharge .....            | 28    |
| By dishonorable discharge .....         | 22    |
| By desertion .....                      | 53    |
| By dropped from temporary at post ..... | 222   |
| By transfer to other branches .....     | 104   |
| By transfer to insane asylum .....      | 12    |
| By death .....                          | 261   |
| Total .....                             | 1,015 |

## HEALTH.

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Number treated in hospital .....   | 1,829 |
| Number treated in quarters, at surgeon's call, average daily attendance..... | 60    |

## EDUCATION.

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Number of teachers .....               | 1  |
| Pupils' average daily attendance ..... | 37 |

## LIBRARY.

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Number of volumes .....                       | 11,780 |
| Number of daily papers .....                  | 58     |
| Number of weekly papers and periodicals ..... | 218    |
| Number of volumes read .....                  | 43,384 |

## CITIZEN EMPLOYÉS.

|                                      |    |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| Male:                                |    |
| Musicians .....                      | 3  |
| Foreman carpenter .....              | 1  |
| Steamfitter .....                    | 1  |
| Engineer .....                       | 1  |
| Superintendent farm and stable ..... | 1  |
| Assistant surgeon .....              | 1  |
| Band leader .....                    | 1  |
| Landscape gardener .....             | 1  |
| Treasurer's clerk .....              | 1  |
| Governor's clerk .....               | 1  |
| Female:                              |    |
| Laundress .....                      | 1  |
| Total .....                          | 13 |

## REMARKS.

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Average present during year .....            | 3,595        |
| Average present and absent during year ..... | 4,525        |
| Average cost of ration during year .....     | 18.10 cents. |

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## GAIN.

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| Admitted .....    | 938   |
| Readmitted .....  | 239   |
| Transferred ..... | 64    |
| Total .....       | 1,241 |

## LOSS.

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Honorably discharged .....    | 536          |
| Dishonorably discharged ..... | 38           |
| Transferred .....             | 116          |
| Deserted .....                | 64           |
| Died .....                    | 261          |
| Total .....                   | <u>1,015</u> |

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Total present .....                                 | 3,305 |
| Total present last report .....                     | 3,299 |
| Total present and absent .....                      | 4,537 |
| Total present and absent last report .....          | 4,311 |
| Whole number cared for during year .....            | 5,552 |
| Whole number cared for during previous year .....   | 5,304 |
| Average number present during year .....            | 3,595 |
| Average number present and absent during year ..... | 4,525 |

## WHAT WAR.

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| War 1861 .....    | 5,361 |
| Mexican war ..... | 176   |
| War 1812 .....    | 15    |

## WHAT SERVICE.

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Volunteers ..... | 5,218 |
| Regulars .....   | 253   |
| Navy .....       | 81    |

## AGE.

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| 30 to 40 .....                               | 942   |
| 40 to 50 .....                               | 1,600 |
| 50 to 60 .....                               | 1,710 |
| 60 to 80 .....                               | 1,262 |
| 80 to 100 .....                              | 38    |
| Married, with wives and minor children ..... | 1,680 |

## NATIONALITY.

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Native born .....  | 2,108 |
| Foreign born ..... | 3,444 |

## OCCUPATION.

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| Farmers .....     | 809   |
| Mechanics .....   | 1,875 |
| Laborers .....    | 2,822 |
| Professions ..... | 40    |

## DISABILITY.

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Loss of limbs ..... | 195          |
| Wounds .....        | 1,519        |
| Sickness .....      | 3,582        |
| Blindness .....     | 256          |
| Total .....         | <u>5,552</u> |

## HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Treated in hospital .....                      | 1,076 |
| Treated in quarters .....                      | 90    |
| Total number insane .....                      | 40    |
| Died in hospital .....                         | 228   |
| Died on furlough .....                         | 33    |
| Proportion of deaths to number cared for ..... | 4.10  |

## NUMBER OF INMATES EMPLOYED AT TRADES IN THE HOME.

|                       |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| Blacksmith shop ..... | 8  |
| Book-binding .....    | 2  |
| Carpenter shop .....  | 79 |

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Cigar shop .....               | 48 |
| Harness shop .....             | 2  |
| Paint shop .....               | 21 |
| Plumbing and gas fitting ..... | 10 |
| Printing office.....           | 6  |
| Shoe shop.....                 | 20 |
| Soap shop.....                 | 3  |
| Tailors' shop .....            | 19 |
| Tin shop .....                 | 6  |
| Upholtery shop.....            | 5  |
| Knitting shop.....             | 17 |
| Cooper shop.....               | 1  |

## PENSIONS.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Total number of pensioners .....                        | 1,714        |
| Amount received .....                                   | \$227,671 48 |
| Paid to families .....                                  | 80,686 06    |
| Held by Home at interest for benefit of pensioners..... | 63,300 00    |
| Amount retained for any purpose by Home.....            | 25,736 85    |

## PROFITS OF FARM, GARDEN, AND STABLE.

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Farm and garden..... | \$10,814 65 |
| Stable .....         | 2,329 64    |

## MANUFACTURES.

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Manufactures .....                  | \$13,124 19 |
| Inmates under pay during year ..... | 1,909       |

## LIBRARY.

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Number books in library ..... | 11,780 |
| Number daily papers .....     | 58     |
| Number weekly papers .....    | 187    |
| Number magazines, &c.....     | 31     |
| Number books issued .....     | 43,187 |
| Number books purchased .....  | 696    |

## EDUCATION.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Number of teachers.....   | 1            |
| Number of pupils.....   | 82           |
| Total expenditures .....  | \$555,979 43 |
| Cost of construction and repairs.....                                   | 96,248 14    |
| Expenses less construction and repairs .....                            | 459,731 29   |
| Average cost of keeping each inmate, exclusive of cost of clothing..... | \$103 24     |
| Cost of daily ration.....   | 18 10        |
| Total cost of commissary supplies .....                                 | 234,635 09   |
| Gross sales of Home store.....  | 41,083 75    |
| Net profits of Home store.....  | 4,793 87     |
| Amount of fines and forfeitures.....                                    | 4,864 87     |
| Amount expended for amusements .....                                    | 2,482 82     |
| Number of entertainments given.....                                     | 61           |

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,  
 NORTHWESTERN BRANCH,  
 Milwaukee County, Wis., July 1, 1881.

*To the honorable Board of Managers National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers:*

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit the following report of the management of the Northwestern Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881.

## NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES.

Total number of disabled soldiers and sailors cared for or aided at this branch during the year, 1,205. Whole number of disabled soldiers and sailors cared for or aided at this branch, from its first establishment, May 1, 1867, to June 30, 1881, 4,389.

Number who have been admitted during the year, 215; readmitted during the year, 102; transferred from other branches during the year, 67; returned from desertion during the year, 1; total gain during the year, 385. Number honorably discharged during the year, 109; dishonorably discharged during the year, 14; transferred to other branches during the year, 41; transferred to the Government Insane Asylum during the year, 1; died during the year, 56; deserted during the year, 46; dropped from temporary at post during the year, 17; total loss during the year, 284.

Average number of beneficiaries present during the year, 731. Average number present and absent during the year, 912.

Number of beneficiaries during the year who served in the Regular Army, 29; number who served in the Volunteer service, 1,173; number who served in the Navy, 3.

The following carefully prepared tabular statement exhibits the total number of beneficiaries present and absent on the last day of each year, and the average number present, the average number absent, the average number sick, the percentage of sick to average number present and absent, the whole number taken care of, and the total gain and the total loss during each year since the establishment of this branch of the Home, May 1, 1867:

| Year.     | Total number present and absent on the last day of each year. | Average number present and absent during each year. | Average number present during each year. | Average number absent with leave during each year. | Average number absent without leave during each year. | Average number sick in hospital and quarters during each year. | Percentage of sick to average number present and absent during each year. | Number taken care of during each year. | Gain during each year. |                 |                                  |                           |             | Loss during each year. |                            |                                |  |           | Total loss. |               |                                      |     |     |
|-----------|---|---|--|--|---|--|---|--|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------|-------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|
|           |   |   |  |  |   |  |   |  | By admission.          | By readmission. | By transfer from other branches. | By return from desertion. | Total gain. | By discharge.          | By dishonorable discharge. | By transfer to other branches. | By transfer to Government Insane Asylum. | By death. |             | By desertion. | By discharge from temporary at post. |     |     |
| 1867*     | 146   | 84  | 69                                       | 14   | 1   | 15   | 17.8  | 212                                    | 201                    | 4               | 5                                | 2                         | 212         | 223                    | 12                         |                                |  |           | 5           |               |                                      | 10  | 296 |
| 1868      | 194   | 137   | 111                                      | 23   | 3   | 25   | 18.2  | 417                                    | 194                    | 31              | 40                               | 6                         | 271         | 124                    | 15                         |                                |  | 17        | 14          | 24            | 37                                   | 243 |     |
| 1869      | 365   | 215   | 165                                      | 46   | 4   | 51   | 23.7  | 610                                    | 394                    | 60              | 48                               | 29                        | 416         | 67                     | 15                         |                                |  | 15        | 28          | 66            | 76                                   | 245 |     |
| 1870      | 511   | 468   | 369                                      | 89   | 10  | 89   | 19  | 859                                    | 399                    | 64              | 29                               | 494                       | 112         | 34                     | 17                         |                                |  | 15        | 28          | 66            | 104                                  | 348 |     |
| 1871      | 646   | 584   | 459                                      | 110  | 15  | 22   | 14  | 919                                    | 311                    | 57              | 38                               | 408                       | 62          | 31                     | 23                         |                                |  | 40        | 66          | 66            | 50                                   | 273 |     |
| 1872      | 523   | 558   | 428                                      | 109  | 21  | 47   | 8.4   | 948                                    | 237                    | 49              | 15                               | 302                       | 113         | 59                     | 30                         |                                |  | 46        | 91          | 93            | 93                                   | 425 |     |
| 1873      | 598   | 524   | 400                                      | 105  | 19  | 45   | 8.6   | 925                                    | 218                    | 142             | 37                               | 402                       | 127         | 67                     | 40                         |                                |  | 31        | 31          | 31            | 29                                   | 327 |     |
| 1874      | 659   | 622   | 482                                      | 124  | 16  | 56   | 9   | 1,006                                  | 243                    | 122             | 42                               | 408                       | 101         | 74                     | 74                         |                                |  | 44        | 31          | 31            | 30                                   | 347 |     |
| 1875      | 676   | 644   | 508                                      | 117  | 19  | 60   | 9.3   | 1,063                                  | 215                    | 94              | 31                               | 344                       | 111         | 95                     | 4                          |                                |  | 34        | 34          | 27            | 30                                   | 327 |     |
| 1876      | 829   | 710   | 534                                      | 140  | 16  | 71   | 10  | 1,114                                  | 290                    | 169             | 37                               | 438                       | 110         | 14                     | 48                         |                                |  | 33        | 33          | 35            | 41                                   | 285 |     |
| 1877      | 901   | 850   | 678                                      | 156  | 16  | 90   | 10.6  | 1,307                                  | 300                    | 128             | 46                               | 478                       | 124         | 22                     | 45                         |                                |  | 44        | 49          | 62            | 40                                   | 466 |     |
| 1878      | 886   | 857   | 691                                      | 152  | 14  | 101  | 11.8  | 1,299                                  | 224                    | 122             | 48                               | 397                       | 235         | 22                     | 32                         |                                |  | 47        | 46          | 39            | 33                                   | 412 |     |
| 1879*     | 245   | 879   | 717                                      | 144  | 18  | 97   | 11  | 1,052                                  | 96                     | 50              | 19                               | 166                       | 111         | 19                     | 1                          |                                |  | 28        | 30          | 30            | 13                                   | 287 |     |
| 1879-'80* | 220   | 868   | 691                                      | 160  | 17  | 102  | 11.8  | 1,247                                  | 234                    | 139             | 25                               | 402                       | 170         | 21                     | 50                         |                                |  | 58        | 65          | 65            | 55                                   | 427 |     |
| 1880-'81* | 921   | 912   | 731                                      | 168  | 13  | 118  | 12.9  | 1,205                                  | 215                    | 102             | 67                               | 385                       | 109         | 14                     | 41                         |                                |  | 56        | 46          | 46            | 17                                   | 284 |     |
| Total     |   |   |  |  |   |  |   |  | 3,683                  | 1,273           | 527                              | 40                        | 5,523       | 1,763                  | 426                        | 531                            | 33                                       | 527       | 675         | 647           | 4,602                                |     |     |

\* The exhibit for 1867 includes but eight months, from May 1 to December 31; 1868 to 1878, inclusive, the exhibit includes each civil year ending December 31; the exhibit for 1879 includes but six months, ending June 30, 1879; and the exhibits for 1879-'80 and 1880-'81 include the fiscal years ending June 30, 1880 and 1881, respectively.

Number of beneficiaries during the year who were disabled during the war of the Rebellion, 1,185; number who served in the war of 1812, 5; number who served in the Mexican war, 15.

Number of colored beneficiaries during the year, 3.

#### STATES FROM WHICH ENLISTED.

States from which those who have been beneficiaries of this branch during the year were enlisted in the service of the United States:

|                            |     |                            |       |
|----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|-------|
| California .....           | 5   | Missouri .....             | 77    |
| Connecticut .....          | 14  | New York .....             | 236   |
| Colorado .....             | 1   | New Hampshire .....        | 3     |
| Delaware .....             | 3   | New Jersey .....           | 11    |
| District of Columbia ..... | 1   | Nebraska .....             | 2     |
| Illinois .....             | 240 | Ohio .....                 | 61    |
| Indiana .....              | 33  | Oregon .....               | 2     |
| Iowa .....                 | 30  | Pennsylvania .....         | 94    |
| Kentucky .....             | 12  | Rhode Island .....         | 5     |
| Kansas .....               | 14  | Tennessee .....            | 2     |
| Louisiana .....            | 6   | Utah Territory .....       | 1     |
| Maine .....                | 7   | Vermont .....              | 7     |
| Maryland .....             | 6   | Washington Territory ..... | 1     |
| Massachusetts .....        | 27  | Wisconsin .....            | 240   |
| Michigan .....             | 51  |                            |       |
| Minnesota .....            | 13  | Total .....                | 1,205 |

#### NATIVITIES.

Number of beneficiaries during the year who were native born, 346; foreign born, 859. Nativity of foreign-born beneficiaries:

|               |     |                   |     |
|---------------|-----|-------------------|-----|
| Austria ..... | 7   | Mexico .....      | 1   |
| Belgium ..... | 3   | Norway .....      | 8   |
| Cuba .....    | 1   | Poland .....      | 2   |
| Canada .....  | 23  | Scotland .....    | 19  |
| Denmark ..... | 3   | Sweden .....      | 8   |
| England ..... | 57  | Switzerland ..... | 28  |
| France .....  | 13  | Wales .....       | 5   |
| Germany ..... | 370 |                   |     |
| Holland ..... | 2   | Total .....       | 859 |
| Ireland ..... | 309 |                   |     |

#### SOCIAL STATISTICS.

Ages of those who have been beneficiaries of this branch during the year: Under 30 years, 2; between 30 and 40 years, 160; between 40 and 50 years, 301; between 50 and 60 years, 376; between 60 and 70 years, 280; between 70 and 80 years, 75; between 80 and 90 years, 9; between 90 and 100 years, 2.

Number of beneficiaries during the year who have been married, and who have living wives or minor children, or both, 331.

Former occupation of those who have been beneficiaries during the year:

|                             |    |                      |    |
|-----------------------------|----|----------------------|----|
| Agents and peddlers .....   | 6  | Boilermakers .....   | 4  |
| Artists .....               | 1  | Blacksmiths .....    | 20 |
| Actors .....                | 1  | Butchers .....       | 19 |
| Bakers .....                | 13 | Carpenters .....     | 64 |
| Barbers and wigmakers ..... | 5  | Cabinetmakers .....  | 8  |
| Bookbinders .....           | 1  | Clerks .....         | 52 |
| Brickmakers .....           | 2  | Carvers .....        | 1  |
| Broommakers .....           | 2  | Carriagemakers ..... | 2  |
| Brewers .....               | 9  | Clockmakers .....    | 1  |

|                              |     |                               |       |
|------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|-------|
| Cigarmakers .....            | 9   | Marblecutters .....           | 1     |
| Cooks .....                  | 6   | Needlemakers .....            | 1     |
| Coopers .....                | 17  | Preachers .....               | 2     |
| Cutlers .....                | 1   | Painters .....                | 22    |
| Confectioners .....          | 1   | Plasterers .....              | 4     |
| Druggists .....              | 5   | Printers .....                | 18    |
| Dentists .....               | 2   | Physicians and surgeons ..... | 3     |
| Draughtsmen .....            | 1   | Pipemakers .....              | 1     |
| Engineers .....              | 13  | Seamen and boatmen .....      | 10    |
| Electroplaters .....         | 2   | Shoemakers .....              | 38    |
| Editors .....                | 1   | Stonecutters .....            | 6     |
| Farmers .....                | 195 | Saddlers .....                | 1     |
| Furriers .....               | 2   | Surveyors .....               | 2     |
| Gardeners .....              | 8   | Shipwrights .....             | 2     |
| Gunsmiths .....              | 1   | Sailmakers .....              | 1     |
| Harnessmakers .....          | 10  | Soldiers .....                | 1     |
| Jewellers .....              | 1   | Teachers .....                | 8     |
| Laborers .....               | 438 | Tailors .....                 | 22    |
| Lawyers .....                | 1   | Teamsters .....               | 12    |
| Lithographers .....          | 3   | Tinkers .....                 | 10    |
| Locksmiths .....             | 3   | Tobacconists .....            | 3     |
| Lumbermen .....              | 1   | Telegraph operators .....     | 2     |
| Machinists .....             | 10  | Tanners .....                 | 4     |
| Machinemakers .....          | 2   | Upholsterers .....            | 2     |
| Masons and bricklayers ..... | 18  | Umbrellamaker .....           | 1     |
| Millers .....                | 7   | Veterinary surgeons .....     | 3     |
| Millwrights .....            | 4   | Watchmakers .....             | 1     |
| Miners .....                 | 5   | Weavers .....                 | 9     |
| Molders .....                | 8   | Wagonmakers .....             | 2     |
| Musicians .....              | 12  | Wheelwrights .....            | 2     |
| Merchants and salesmen ..... | 12  |                               |       |
| Manufacturers .....          | 1   | Total .....                   | 1,205 |

Number of beneficiaries during the year who could read and write, 1,026; number who could do neither, 179 (of which 18 were native and 161 were foreign born). Percentage of native born who could neither read nor write, 5.2; of foreign born, 18.7.

#### CAUSES OF DISABILITY.

The disabilities of those who have been beneficiaries of the Home during the year were as follows:

|  |    |   |       |
|--|----|---|-------|
| Wounds resulting in loss of both arms. . . . .     | 2  | Other wounds received in the service .....  | 346   |
| Wounds resulting in the loss of one arm .....      | 42 | Sickness contracted in the service. . . . . | 768   |
| Wounds resulting in the loss of both feet .....    | 1  |   |       |
| Wounds resulting in the loss of one foot . . . . . | 46 | Total .....                                 | 1,205 |

Number completely blind, 8; number partially blind, 52; total, 60.

Number insane, totally or partially, 31. Number of insane who have been transferred to the Government Insane Asylum at Washington during the year, 1; number of insane who have been taken care of at the County Insane Asylum at Wauwatosa, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, 5; number of insane who were transferred from the Central Branch of the Home for the purpose of being taken care of at the same institution, 12; total taken care of at the County Insane Asylum, 17; of whom 4 died during the year. (This class of inmates is carried on the books and reports of the Home as "Absent sick.")

## HOSPITAL.

Number of sick who have been cared for in hospital during the year ending June 30, 1881, 693 against 638 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880; daily average 111 against 98 of the previous year. Diseases of those treated in hospital:

|                                    |    |                           |     |
|------------------------------------|----|---------------------------|-----|
| Apoplexy .....                     | 1  | General debility .....    | 18  |
| Asthma .....                       | 17 | Gastritis .....           | 12  |
| Alcoholism .....                   | 60 | Hernia .....              | 9   |
| Accident, railroad .....           | 2  | Hæmoptysis .....          | 3   |
| Amputation .....                   | 3  | Hepatitis .....           | 8   |
| Abscesses .....                    | 10 | Hemorrhoids .....         | 8   |
| Blindness .....                    | 19 | Hemiplegia .....          | 4   |
| Bronchitis .....                   | 31 | Intermittent fever .....  | 12  |
| Cephalalgia .....                  | 14 | Loss of both hands .....  | 2   |
| Cardiac disease .....              | 20 | Locomotor ataxia .....    | 8   |
| Cystitis .....                     | 14 | Laryngitis .....          | 2   |
| Contusion .....                    | 19 | Nasal polypus .....       | 2   |
| Chorea .....                       | 2  | Neuralgia .....           | 7   |
| Colic .....                        | 12 | Nephritis .....           | 4   |
| Cancer .....                       | 3  | Old ulcers .....          | 21  |
| Convulsions .....                  | 1  | Ophthalmia .....          | 14  |
| Dyspepsia .....                    | 44 | Opium habit .....         | 5   |
| Dementia .....                     | 13 | Pneumonia .....           | 12  |
| Diarrhœa .....                     | 19 | Paraplegia .....          | 2   |
| Disease of glands .....            | 5  | Phthisis pulmonalis ..... | 36  |
| Disease of skin .....              | 11 | Pleuritis .....           | 16  |
| Dislocation .....                  | 3  | Rheumatism .....          | 58  |
| Delirium tremens .....             | 3  | Senility .....            | 29  |
| Diabetes .....                     | 1  | Sprain .....              | 5   |
| Epilepsy .....                     | 34 | Spinal meningitis .....   | 2   |
| Erysipelas, facial .....           | 10 | Syphilis .....            | 6   |
| Erysipelas after vaccination ..... | 18 | Tape worm .....           | 2   |
| Fistula .....                      | 5  | Tonsilitis .....          | 3   |
| Fracture .....                     | 11 |                           |     |
| Frost-bite .....                   | 8  | Total .....               | 693 |

Vaccinations during the year, 802; successfully vaccinated, 709, or 88½ per cent.; not successfully vaccinated, 93, or 11½ per cent.

The number of beneficiaries treated sick in quarters during the year was 694, to whom were administered 12,460 medical and surgical prescriptions and dressings. Daily average treated in quarters was 34 against 27.4 last year.

## SUMMARY.

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Total number treated sick in hospital .....  | 693   |
| Total number treated sick in quarters .....  | 694   |
| Total number treated sick in quarters who have also been treated in hospital ..... | 245   |
|  | 419   |
| Total number of individuals treated during the year .....                          | 1,112 |

Total number of beneficiaries who have been medically treated in hospital and quarters during the year constituted 94.5 per cent. of the whole number cared for against 87 per cent. last year, showing a slight increase. But 5.5 per cent. of the inmates of this branch have not required medical attendance during the year. What better commentary could be desired as to the class and condition of the beneficiaries admitted to this branch?

## DEATHS.

Number of beneficiaries who have died during the year ending June 30, 1881, 56, or 4.4 per cent., of whom 8 deceased outside of the Home. Causes of the deaths:

|  |   |  |    |
|--|---|--|----|
| Asthma .....                                     | 1 | Exposure .....                                   | 1  |
| Apoplexy .....                                   | 1 | Hepatitis .....                                  | 1  |
| Asphyxia .....                                   | 2 | Hemorrhage .....                                 | 1  |
| Accident, railroad .....                         | 2 | Hæmoptysis .....                                 | 2  |
| Cancer .....                                     | 3 | Insanity .....                                   | 2  |
| Cardiac disease .....                            | 9 | Myelitis spinal .....                            | 1  |
| Concussion of brain .....                        | 2 | Opium habit .....                                | 1  |
| Cystitis, chronic .....                          | 1 | Phthisis pulmonalis .....                        | 11 |
| Dropsy .....                                     | 1 | Paralysis .....                                  | 2  |
| Diarrhœa, chronic .....                          | 1 | Senility .....                                   | 2  |
| Dysentery .....                                  | 2 | Uraemia .....                                    | 1  |
| Empysemæ .....                                   | 1 | Causes unknown of men who died on furlough ..... | 3  |
| Exhaustion from fracture of cervix fermois ..... | 1 |  |    |
| Exhaustion from epilepsy .....                   | 1 | Total .....                                      | 56 |

The following tabular statement exhibits the number of beneficiaries of this branch who have died during each month and year since its organization:

| Months.         | 1867. | 1868. | 1869. | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. | 1878. | 1879. | 1880. | 1881. | 14½<br>years. |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------------|
| January .....   | 1     | 1     | 1     | 1     | 1     | 8     | 3     | ...   | 1     | 4     | 3     | 3     | 10    | 7     | 3     | 46            |
| February .....  | 2     | ...   | ...   | 1     | 4     | 3     | 1     | 3     | 3     | 2     | 2     | 2     | 5     | 4     | 2     | 34            |
| March .....     | 1     | 1     | 4     | 4     | 5     | 2     | 4     | 7     | 5     | 2     | 6     | 6     | 0     | 5     | 5     | 58            |
| April .....     | ...   | 2     | 4     | 6     | 1     | 3     | 6     | 4     | 3     | 4     | 7     | ...   | 7     | 8     | 5     | 55            |
| May .....       | 2     | 1     | 1     | 3     | 5     | 5     | 3     | 3     | 7     | 2     | 3     | 2     | 2     | 5     | 8     | 52            |
| June .....      | 1     | ...   | ...   | 4     | 1     | 2     | 5     | 2     | 4     | 7     | 2     | 2     | 5     | 3     | 4     | 40            |
| July .....      | 1     | 1     | ...   | 3     | 2     | 2     | 2     | 5     | 2     | 1     | 2     | 4     | 5     | 2     | ...   | 31            |
| August .....    | 1     | 1     | ...   | 3     | 1     | 6     | ...   | 4     | 3     | 7     | 3     | 6     | 5     | 2     | ...   | 42            |
| September ..... | 1     | 2     | 4     | 5     | 4     | 4     | 3     | 1     | 1     | 4     | 3     | 4     | 3     | 5     | ...   | 44            |
| October .....   | 1     | 3     | 3     | 4     | 7     | 3     | 3     | 3     | 1     | 3     | 4     | 3     | 5     | 5     | ...   | 45            |
| November .....  | 1     | 1     | 2     | 2     | 2     | 2     | 3     | 2     | 1     | 1     | 3     | 5     | 3     | 6     | ...   | 32            |
| December .....  | 1     | 2     | 4     | ...   | 2     | 5     | 4     | 2     | 4     | ...   | 9     | 3     | 6     | 6     | ...   | 48            |
| Total .....     | 5     | 14    | 17    | 28    | 40    | 46    | 31    | 41    | 34    | 33    | 49    | 47    | 55    | 57    | 30    | 527           |

On the following two pages will be found a list of the beneficiaries of this branch who have died within the year, with date, place, and cause of death, and military history, &c., of each.

| Number. | Name.               | Company and regiment. | Where born.    | Age. | Date of death. | Cause of death.     | Place of death.                       | When admitted— |                |
|---------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------|------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|         |                     |                       |                |      |                |                     |                                       | To the Home.   | To hospital.   |
| 1       | James Welsh         | A, 52 N. Y. Vols      | Ireland        | 48   | July 25, 1880  | Laryngeal phthisis  | Home Hospital                         | Oct. 17, 1875  | July 15, 1880  |
| 2       | Lucius Downing      | B, 10 Vt. Vols        | Vermont        | 38   | July 29, 1880  | Lung disease        | do                                    | July 21, 1880  | July 21, 1880  |
| 3       | Charles Genung      | H, 8 Minn. Vols       | New Jersey     | 72   | Aug. 13, 1880  | Cancer              | do                                    | Aug. 16, 1874  | Apr. 12, 1880  |
| 4       | Thomas Walsh        | G, 18 Mo. Vols        | Ireland        | 65   | Aug. 30, 1880  | Cardiac disease     | Main Building                         | Nov. 11, 1874  |                |
| 5       | Christian Rack      | F, 12 Ill. Vols       | Germany        | 66   | Sept. 12, 1880 | Phthisis pulmonalis | Home Hospital                         | July 27, 1877  | Apr. 17, 1879  |
| 6       | Henry Hay           | B, 13 Wis. Battery    | Mississippi    | 39   | Sept. 17, 1880 | Chronic myelitis    | do                                    | June 30, 1873  | Oct. 4, 1879   |
| 7       | Michael Knauber     | G, 12 Ohio Vols       | Germany        | 53   | Sept. 22, 1880 | Asthma              | do                                    | Jan. 7, 1879   | Nov. 21, 1879  |
| 8       | Wm. R. Woolnough    | H, 3 Wis. Vols        | Wales          | 63   | Sept. 27, 1880 | Phthisis pulmonalis | do                                    | Sept. 12, 1869 | Sept. 24, 1880 |
| 9       | James D. Ferguson   | B, 11 Ohio Vols       | Scotland       | 34   | Sept. 27, 1880 | Concussion of brain | do                                    | Sept. 29, 1880 | Sept. 20, 1880 |
| 10      | Wenzel Lustofka     | I, 26 Wis. Vols       | Austria        | 36   | Oct. 5, 1880   | Phthisis pulmonalis | do                                    | Oct. 4, 1880   | Oct. 4, 1880   |
| 11      | Martin Mayhew       | F, 1 Wis. Cav         | Connecticut    | 44   | Oct. 9, 1880   | Chronic diarrhoea   | do                                    | Oct. 8, 1878   | Aug. 19, 1880  |
| 12      | Lorenz Locker       | D, 26 Wis. Vols       | Germany        | 57   | Oct. 11, 1880  | Paralysis           | do                                    | Oct. 8, 1880   | Oct. 8, 1880   |
| 13      | Patrick Mullady     | C, 88 N. Y. Vols      | Ireland        | 36   | Oct. 12, 1880  | Cardiac disease     | do                                    | Jan. 24, 1880  | Oct. 12, 1880  |
| 14      | Peter Van Allen     | K, 15 N. Y. Cav       | New York       | 46   | Oct. 29, 1880  | do                  | do                                    | Oct. 13, 1880  | Oct. 13, 1880  |
| 15      | Michael Mangan      | C, 17 Wis. Vols       | Ireland        | 69   | Nov. 1, 1880   | Cancer              | do                                    | July 21, 1880  | July 21, 1880  |
| 16      | Frank Klander       | K, 1 Md. Vols         | Germany        | 44   | Nov. 3, 1880   | Chronic cystitis    | do                                    | Feb. 16, 1877  | Sept. 28, 1880 |
| 17      | Robert Russel       | C, 14 Ill. Cav        | Canada         | 42   | Nov. 12, 1880  | Paralysis           | do                                    | Sept. 24, 1877 | Oct. 1, 1877   |
| 18      | John Koch           | C, 52 N. Y. Vols      | Germany        | 49   | Nov. 12, 1880  | Cardiac disease     | Milwaukee (on furlough)               | Dec. 17, 1874  |                |
| 19      | William A. Rafferty | L, 21 Pa. Cav         | Pennsylvania   | 33   | Nov. 15, 1880  | Hemoptysis          | Home Hospital                         | Sept. 16, 1880 | Sept. 20, 1880 |
| 20      | George A. Phelps    | E, 6 Wis. Vols        | Michigan       | 38   | Nov. 22, 1880  | Hemorrhage          | Milwaukee (on pass)                   | Oct. 4, 1880   |                |
| 21      | Walter Wilc         | G, 6 Wis. Vols        | England        | 36   | Dec. 4, 1880   | Exposure            | Home Hospital                         | Aug. 8, 1876   | Nov. 23, 1880  |
| 22      | John O'Neil         | G, 106 Pa. Vols       | Ireland        | 73   | Dec. 4, 1880   | Hemoptysis          | Main Building                         | Oct. 29, 1874  |                |
| 23      | August Pitzhold     | A, 12 Pa. Cav         | Germany        | 55   | Dec. 9, 1880   | Phthisis pulmonalis | Home Hospital                         | Dec. 7, 1880   | Dec. 7, 1880   |
| 24      | Henry Igra          | I, 39 Ill. Vols       | Germany        | 47   | Dec. 9, 1880   | Phthisis pulmonalis | do                                    | Oct. 28, 1879  | Oct. 30, 1879  |
| 25      | Henry Thomas        | G, 104 N. Y. Vols     | Ireland        | 79   | Dec. 15, 1880  | Senility            | do                                    | Nov. 18, 1875  | Nov. 9, 1880   |
| 26      | Moritz Mann         | F, 9 Wis. Vols        | Germany        | 61   | Dec. 23, 1880  | Phthisis pulmonalis | do                                    | Dec. 21, 1875  | Oct. 19, 1880  |
| 27      | Elisha Lewis        | 5 Ohio S. S.          | Vermont        | 70   | Jan. 20, 1881  | Apoplexy            | do                                    | June 17, 1879  | Jan. 9, 1881   |
| 28      | William Gibson      | D, 35 Ohio Vols       | Dist. Columbia | 72   | Jan. 22, 1881  | Exhaustion          | do                                    | Jan. 4, 1881   | Jan. 4, 1881   |
| 29      | Thomas Shaw         | D, 20 Wis. Vols       | Ireland        | 81   | Jan. 28, 1881  | Senility            | do                                    | Sept. 12, 1879 | Nov. 5, 1879   |
| 30      | Henry McMackin      | D, 47 Ill. Vols       | Indiana        | 38   | Feb. 8, 1881   | Asphyxia            | Old hospital building                 | Nov. 27, 1877  |                |
| 31      | Samuel Langner      | B, 46 N. Y. Vols      | Germany        | 50   | Feb. 12, 1881  | do                  | Home Hospital                         | July 21, 1879  | Feb. 9, 1881   |
| 32      | George H. Ferry     | F, 5 Iowa Vols        | Ohio           | 40   | Feb. 25, 1881  | Cancer              | do                                    | Feb. 18, 1881  | Feb. 19, 1881  |
| 33      | Conrad Zacharias    | G, 39 N. Y. Vols      | Germany        | 55   | Mar. 1, 1881   | Phthisis pulmonalis | do                                    | Feb. 10, 1881  | Feb. 26, 1881  |
| 34      | Pemberton R. Eves   | G, 14 Kansas Cav      | Canada         | 43   | Mar. 12, 1881  | do                  | do                                    | Dec. 3, 1879   | Jan. 3, 1881   |
| 35      | Edward O'Donnell    | D, Eng. Regt. West    | Ireland        | 65   | Mar. 18, 1881  | Cardiac disease     | Main Building                         | Aug. 3, 1876   |                |
| 36      | Marinus P. Bennett  | H, 10 Wis. Vols       | Rhode Island   | 68   | Mar. 24, 1881  | Railroad accident   | Home Hospital                         | Sept. 13, 1876 | Mar. 20, 1881  |
| 37      | William Rowley      | C, 90 Ill. Vols       | Ireland        | 59   | Apr. 2, 1881   | Unknown             | Belvidere, Ill. (on furlough)         | Mar. 17, 1876  |                |
| 38      | John S. Ryan        | G, 5 Wis. Vols        | New York       | 41   | Apr. 3, 1881   | Phthisis pulmonalis | Home Hospital                         | Mar. 29, 1881  | Mar. 29, 1881  |
| 39      | John Pies           | A, 2 Mo. Res          | Germany        | 50   | Apr. 4, 1881   | Unknown             | Washington County, Wis. (on furlough) | Oct. 23, 1880  |                |
| 40      | Joseph O'Dell       | I, 65 Ind. Vols       | Indiana        | 62   | Apr. 10, 1881  | Cardiac disease     | Home Hospital                         | Oct. 16, 1880  | Oct. 16, 1880  |
| 41      | William Dryer       | L, 6 Ind. Cav         | Indiana        | 33   | Apr. 15, 1881  | Insanity            | Milwaukee County Insane Asylum        | Apr. 7, 1881   |                |
| 42      | Peter McManus       | 18 N. Y. Vols         | New York       | 37   | Apr. 22, 1881  | Cardiac disease     | Home Hospital                         | Sept. 14, 1876 | Apr. 10, 1881  |

|    |                      |                   |               |    |               |                     |                                  |               |               |
|----|----------------------|-------------------|---------------|----|---------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 43 | Carl Kuffenkan       | I, 24 Wis. Vols.  | Germany       | 62 | Apr. 22, 1881 | Unknown             | Milwaukee (on pass)              | July 11, 1877 |               |
| 44 | Frederick Kirback    | F, 19 Wis. Vols.  | Germany       | 51 | Apr. 28, 1881 | Insanity            | Milwaukee County Insane Asylum.  | Apr. 1, 1877  |               |
| 45 | Ezekiel West         | War of 1812       | New York      | 89 | May 6, 1881   | Senility            | Home Hospital                    | Apr. 7, 1879  | Apr. 9, 1879  |
| 46 | Robert Scanlon       | I, 77 Ill. Vols.  | Ireland       | 61 | May 6, 1881   | Phthisis pulmonalis | do                               | Feb. 7, 1880  | June 10, 1880 |
| 47 | James Delany         | K, 115 Pa. Vols.  | Ireland       | 47 | May 7, 1881   | Railroad accident   | do                               | Nov. 13, 1880 | May 7, 1881   |
| 48 | Wheeler Kitchen      | D, 27 Wis. Vols.  | Pennsylvania  | 58 | May 11, 1881  | Cardiac disease     | Main Building                    | Apr. 26, 1879 |               |
| 49 | Edwin A. Kendall     | E, 1 Cal. Cav.    | Massachusetts | 50 | May 11, 1881  | Opium habit         | Hot Springs, Ark. (on furlough). | June 20, 1877 |               |
| 50 | Joshua Cookinback    | C, 4 Del. Vols.   | Pennsylvania  | 61 | May 17, 1881  | Dysentery           | Home Hospital                    | Jan. 8, 1881  | Apr. 25, 1881 |
| 51 | John Powers          | E, 37 Ill. Vols.  | Ireland       | 61 | May 26, 1881  | Hepatitis           | do                               | July 1, 1879  | May 18, 1881  |
| 52 | William McNutt       | B, 83 Ohio Vols.  | Ohio          | 40 | May 29, 1881  | Insanity            | Milwaukee County Insane Asylum.  | Apr. 7, 1880  |               |
| 53 | Albert Waldsmith     | B, 4 Mo. Cav.     | Germany       | 53 | June 1, 1881  | Disease of bladder  | Home Hospital                    | Apr. 16, 1878 | May 24, 1881  |
| 54 | Nicholas Schweistahl | K, 6 Wis. Vols.   | Germany       | 59 | June 7, 1881  | Dropsy              | do                               | Feb. 10, 1875 | June 16, 1880 |
| 55 | Freeman Melchor      | H, 62 Ill. Vols.  | Illinois      | 42 | June 13, 1881 | Injury to brain     | Milwaukee County Insane Asylum.  | Nov. 26, 1879 |               |
| 56 | Ernest Sonneman      | II, 75 Ohio Vols. | Germany       | 61 | June 25, 1881 | Cardiac disease     | Home Hospital                    | June 24, 1881 | June 24, 1881 |

The annual death-rate to one thousand of the whole number cared for at this branch during each year since May 1, 1867, has been as follows:

|  |    |                                     |    |
|--|----|-------------------------------------|----|
| Eight months ending December 31, 1867..... | 35 | Year ending December 31, 1874.....  | 41 |
| Year ending December 31, 1868.....         | 34 | Year ending December 31, 1875.....  | 34 |
| Year ending December 31, 1869.....         | 28 | Year ending December 31, 1876.....  | 30 |
| Year ending December 31, 1870.....         | 33 | Year ending December 31, 1877.....  | 37 |
| Year ending December 31, 1871.....         | 44 | Year ending December 31, 1878.....  | 36 |
| Year ending December 31, 1872.....         | 49 | Six months ending June 30, 1879.... | 46 |
| Year ending December 31, 1873.....         | 34 | Year ending June 30, 1880.....      | 47 |
|  |    | Year ending June 30, 1881.....      | 46 |

LIBRARY AND READING ROOM.

The librarian, George W. Barber, submits the following "report of the library and reading room" for the year ending June 30, 1881:

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Volumes added to library.....               | 412   |
| Volumes in library, including hospital..... | 4,000 |
| Volumes issued for reading.....             | 8,100 |
| Daily papers on file.....                   | 32    |
| Weekly papers on file.....                  | 63    |
| Monthlies and periodicals.....              | 39    |
| Total number of papers and periodicals..... | 134   |

The papers are in English, German, French, and Scandinavian languages. Since our last report, the periodicals which had accumulated during past years have been substantially bound and placed on our shelves, forming a valuable addition to the library.

POST OFFICE.

The postmaster states that the business of the post office at this branch for the year ending June 30, 1881, has been as follows:

|  |        |                                    |            |
|--|--------|------------------------------------|------------|
| Letters mailed, by count.....          | 15,696 | Newspapers received, by count..... | 20,500     |
| Single postages represented above..... | 18,570 | Registered letters sent.....       | 203        |
| Letters received, estimated....        | 15,000 | Registered letters received....    | 88         |
| Postal cards mailed, by count..        | 2,513  | Money orders issued.....           | 198        |
| Postal cards received, estimated.....  | 2,000  | Amount of money transmitted..      | \$1,961 56 |
| Newspapers mailed, estimated..         | 5,000  | Money orders paid.....             | 47         |
|  |        | Amount paid on money orders..      | \$67 53    |

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

The Protestant Episcopal chaplain, Rev. E. R. Ward, reports as follows:

During the past year the services have been attended by about the regular number, and the Sunday school has grown and prospered. Services have been held on every Lord's day, and on week days during lent. The holy communion has been celebrated every other Sunday during the year at the usual services, or at the hospital.

Total number of services, 81; celebrations of the holy communion in public, 12; at the hospital, 12; total, 24; burials, 29. The bishop of the diocese made his annual visitation on Easter day.

Report of the Catholic chaplain, Rev. James Walsh, S. J.:

I have the honor to submit the following statement of my transactions at the Home, covering a period of twelve months ending June 30, 1881.

It affords me much pleasure to be able to say that during the time just mentioned the work under my direction has continued to progress and prosper in every way. As I remarked in my last report, it is obvious from the peculiar nature of the work engaging my attention that it would be impossible for me to present any very minute details concerning it. But some idea of its extent may be obtained from the fact that, without speaking of other visits, each regular weekly visit required and received from me not less than twelve hours of constant labor to do it full justice and satisfy its various demands. To enter into a few particulars, I may state that, during the

year ending as above, I conducted two regular religious exercises every week, which were attended by about three hundred men, one meeting taking place on Tuesday evening and another early on Wednesday morning, performed 21 funeral services, visited the hospital 95 times, and administered the sacrament of penance and the holy eucharist 3,720 times.

I have often thought that one of the greatest benefits conferred upon the inmates of the Home is the opportunity afforded them of attending to their religious duties according to the dictates of conscience and of having religion to sympathize with and aid them in times of sickness and pain, to soothe and console them at the end of the journey of life. And it is very gratifying to me to see that the men who claim my special services are not, as a body, unmindful of this benefit or indifferent about it.

How they show that they are not indifferent about it, and how they have been even growing in their appreciation of it, can be seen from the following figures, taken from reports of the past few years.

#### *Holy communions.*

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| During the year ending December 31, 1877, total number .....   | 1,560 |
| During the year ending December 31, 1878, total number .....   | 2,184 |
| During the six months ending June 30, 1879, total number ..... | 1,560 |
| During the year ending June 30, 1880, total number .....       | 3,484 |
| During the year ending June 30, 1881, total number .....       | 3,720 |

I give the above figures and not others, because holy communion is, with us, the test of the truly practical Christian, and is therefore in this case the test of the appreciation of the benefit referred to.

Thus we see that much has been done in the past, but much still remains to be done in the future.

That it may be accomplished is my wish and my prayer. My warm thanks are due to our new governor for his kindness to me personally since his arrival and for the interest he has manifested in the work under my charge.

#### SOCIETIES.

A post of the Grand Army of the Republic, known as Veteran Post No. 8, has been maintained at this branch during the year by beneficiaries of the Home, a suitable room having been set apart by order of the commandant for its meetings and for the use of its members. A Sunday school society has also been successfully conducted by beneficiaries and their families and friends.

#### AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

The usual methods of providing amusements and recreation for beneficiaries, fully set forth in previous reports, have been continued as far as practicable during the year.

#### GREENHOUSE.

The greenhouse has been in successful operation during the year, adding greatly to the attractions of the grounds, contributing to the enjoyment of beneficiaries, officers, and visitors, and supplying all plants required for the flower garden and borders at trifling cost.

#### PENSIONS.

Number of beneficiaries who have received pensions during the year, 470, against 468 during the year ending June 30, 1880. The total

amount of pensions received during the year, and the disposition made thereof, is shown in the following tabular statement:

|   |             |            |  |           |            |
|---|-------------|------------|--|-----------|------------|
| Pension to credit of beneficiaries July 1, 1880.....    |             | \$3,085 50 | Retained by the Home for:                            |           |            |
| Pension money received during the year.....             | \$54,820 61 |            | Abstract A, subsistence.....                         | \$435 42  |            |
| Interest received on pension money during the year..... | 187 39      |            | Abstract B, construction and repair.....             | 15 00     |            |
|   |             | 55,008 00  | Abstract C, stable.....                              | 66 70     |            |
|   |             |            | Abstract F, incidental.....                          | 8 33      |            |
|   |             |            | Abstract G, transportation..                         | 1,005 04  |            |
|   |             |            | Abstract H, clothing.....                            | 990 84    |            |
|   |             |            | Abstract I, hospital supplies                        | 6 56      |            |
|   |             |            | Abstract L, household.....                           | 185 51    |            |
|   |             |            | Abstract M, manufactures...                          | 278 62    |            |
|   |             |            | Forfeitures by order board of managers.....          | 617 57    |            |
|   |             |            | Total amount paid to the Home.....                   |           | \$3,610 19 |
|   |             |            | Fines by order of governor to contingent fund.....   | 2,166 14  |            |
|   |             |            | Paid to Home store.....                              | 1,665 00  |            |
|   |             |            | Carried to posthumous fund..                         | 2,345 54  | 6,176 68   |
|   |             |            | Cash paid to pensioner's families.....               | 10,410 44 |            |
|   |             |            | Cash paid to individual pensioners.....              | 29,806 05 |            |
|   |             |            | Remaining to credit of pensioners June 30, 1881..... | 8,030 14  |            |
|   |             |            |  |           | 48,306 63  |
| Total to be accounted for.....                          |             | 58,093 50  | Total accounted for.....                             |           | 58,093 50  |

PAY FOR EXTRA DUTY.

The average number per month of beneficiaries employed for pay at this branch during the year ending June 30, 1881, was 276. The amount credited to beneficiaries for extra duty, and the disposition thereof, was as follows:

|  |            |   |            |             |
|--|------------|---|------------|-------------|
| Extra duty pay to credit of beneficiaries June 30, 1881..... | \$2,685 01 | Retained by Home:                         |            |             |
| Amount of pay-rolls during the year:                         |            | Abstract A, subsistence.....              | \$2,899 82 |             |
| Abstract A, subsistence.....                                 | \$991 34   | Abstract B, construction and repairs..... | 57 21      |             |
| Abstract B, construction and repairs.....                    | 2,323 75   | Abstract C, stable.....                   | 350 76     |             |
| Abstract C, stable.....                                      | 2,405 11   | Abstract E, current expenses              | 9 10       |             |
| Abstract E, current expenses                                 | 9,609 30   | Abstract F, incidental expenses.....      | 94         |             |
| Abstract F, incidental expenses.....                         | 210 00     | Abstract G, transportation..              | 683 81     |             |
| Abstract I, hospital supplies.....                           | 2,357 72   | Abstract H, clothing.....                 | 530 27     |             |
| Abstract K, farm.....  | 2,582 69   | Abstract I, hospital supplies.....        | 59 11      |             |
| Abstract L, household.....                                   | 4,273 91   | Abstract L, household.....                | 570 81     |             |
| Abstract M, manufactures.....                                | 3,167 04   | Abstract M, manufactures.....             | 423 92     |             |
|  | 27,959 86  |   | 5,585 75   |             |
|  |            | Fines by order of governor.....           | 1,445 10   |             |
|  |            | Paid to Home store.....                   | 2,560 20   |             |
|  |            | Paid cash to beneficiaries.....           | 18,010 21  |             |
|  |            | Balance due June 30, 1881.....            | 3,034 61   |             |
| Total to be accounted for.....                               | 30,335 87  | Total accounted for.....                  |            | \$30,635 87 |

HOME STORE.

The Home store, established in August, 1871, has been continued during the year with satisfactory results, as shown by the following statement:

|  |                           |            |  |                                   |             |
|--|---------------------------|------------|--|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| 1880.<br>July 1.                         | Merchandise on hand.....  | \$2,355 40 | July 1,<br>1880, to<br>June 30,<br>1881. | Received on account of sales..... | \$13,214 75 |
| July 1,<br>1880, to<br>June 30,<br>1881. | Paid for merchandise..... | 8,651 19   | June 30,<br>1881.                        | Merchandise on hand.....          | 2,193 65    |
|  | Paid employes, &c.....    | 989 46     |  |                                   |             |
|  | Net profits.....          | 3,412 35   |  |                                   |             |
|  |                           | 15,408 40  |  |                                   | 15,408 40   |

## QUARTERLY CASH EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS.

The following tabular statement exhibits by departments or abstracts the total cash expenditures and the total cash receipts, on account of this branch, during each quarter of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, to wit:

| Abstracts.                        | Quarter ending September 30, 1880. | Quarter ending December 31, 1880. | Quarter ending March 31, 1881. | Quarter ending June 30, 1881. | Year ending June 30, 1881. |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| A, Subsistence .....              | \$8,880 67                         | \$10,520 39                       | \$8,289 99                     | \$9,080 24                    | \$36,777 29                |
| B, Construction and repairs ..... | 1,379 69                           | 6,458 82                          | 1,492 50                       | 5,424 86                      | 14,755 87                  |
| C, Stables .....                  | 1,208 66                           | 1,311 30                          | 1,052 46                       | 1,349 24                      | 4,924 66                   |
| D, Personal property .....        | 78 15                              | 64 22                             | 90 60                          | 87 00                         | 319 97                     |
| E, Current expenses .....         | 4,512 14                           | 3,848 65                          | 4,501 72                       | 4,802 61                      | 17,665 12                  |
| F, Incidental expenses .....      | 362 57                             | 382 23                            | 252 10                         | 311 69                        | 1,308 59                   |
| G, Transportation .....           | 1,614 91                           | 1,209 56                          | 978 56                         | 1,682 04                      | 5,485 07                   |
| H, Clothing .....                 | 24 95                              | 35 53                             | 119 30                         | 211 91                        | 391 69                     |
| I, Hospital supplies .....        | 1,744 27                           | 2,053 77                          | 3,368 36                       | 2,268 11                      | 9,434 51                   |
| K, Farm and garden .....          | 1,803 89                           | 784 13                            | 518 76                         | 1,305 76                      | 4,412 54                   |
| L, Household expenses .....       | 4,988 98                           | 9,906 60                          | 6,767 87                       | 4,267 35                      | 25,930 80                  |
| M, Manufacturers .....            | 2,130 25                           | 2,156 96                          | 1,310 87                       | 2,306 11                      | 7,904 19                   |
| Total .....                       | 28,729 13                          | 38,738 06                         | 28,743 09                      | 33,056 92                     | 129,307 30                 |

## CASH RECEIPTS.

|   |           |           |            |            |            |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| A, Subsistence .....                              | \$898 20  | \$962 19  | \$1,089 24 | \$1,012 74 | \$3,962 37 |
| B, Construction and repairs .....                 | 46 04     | 46 20     | 16 35      | 29 19      | 137 69     |
| C, Stables .....                                  | 779 74    | 573 20    | 1,612 88   | 850 80     | 3,816 62   |
| E, Current expenses .....                         | 119 10    | 18 00     | 8 00       | .....      | 145 10     |
| F, Incidental expenses .....                      | 519 99    | 99 35     | 190 30     | 137 47     | 947 11     |
| G, Transportation .....                           | 881 73    | 727 53    | 464 50     | 1,104 81   | 3,178 57   |
| H, Clothing .....                                 | 439 68    | 458 43    | 208 99     | 242 56     | 1,349 66   |
| I, Hospital supplies .....                        | 28 87     | 12 39     | 17 87      | 27 94      | 87 07      |
| K, Farm and garden .....                          | .....     | 305 07    | 240 50     | .....      | 545 57     |
| L, Household expenses .....                       | 166 05    | 440 85    | 331 57     | 179 70     | 1,118 17   |
| M, Manufacturers .....                            | 214 96    | 267 56    | 305 96     | 306 64     | 1,095 12   |
| Deduct cash receipts from cash expenditures ..... | 4,094 36  | 3,910 77  | 4,486 16   | 3,891 76   | 16,383 05  |
| Total net cash expenditures .....                 | 24,634 77 | 34,827 39 | 24,256 93  | 29,005 16  | 112,024 25 |

The appropriations by the board of managers for the same period were:

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| For construction and repairs (Abstract B) ..... | \$23,745 00 |
| For current running expenses .....              | 96,430 00   |

Total .....

Leaving unexpended, of the appropriations for the year, on June 30, 1881 .....

I certify that the above tabular statement is a correct abstract from the books in my office.

T. C. MOORE, *Secretary.*

## TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS.

The following tabular statement exhibits the gross expenditures, the receipts from sales, and the net expenditures on account of each depart-

ment or abstract during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, as shown by the treasurer's account current:

| Abstracts.                                      | Expenditures. |            |             | Receipts from sales, &c. |            |            | Expenditures in excess of receipts. | Receipts in excess of expenditures. |
|---|---------------|------------|-------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|   | Cash.         | Internal.  | Total.      | Cash.                    | Internal.  | Total.     |                                     |                                     |
| A.....  | \$36,777 29   | \$7,153 44 | \$43,930 73 | \$3,962 37               | \$1,082 84 | \$5,245 21 | \$38,685 52                         |                                     |
| B.....  | 11,755 87     | 3,529 72   | 15,285 59   | 137 69                   |            | 137 69     | 15,147 90                           |                                     |
| C.....  | 4,921 66      | 7,507 86   | 12,429 52   | 3,816 62                 | 7,642 92   | 11,459 54  | 960 98                              |                                     |
| D.....  | 319 97        | 74 90      | 394 87      |                          |            |            | 394 87                              |                                     |
| E.....  | 17,665 12     | 1,938 36   | 19,603 48   | 145 10                   |            | 145 10     | 19,458 38                           |                                     |
| F.....  | 1,308 59      | 151 00     | 1,459 59    | 947 11                   |            | 947 11     | 512 48                              |                                     |
| G.....  | 5,185 07      | 303 00     | 5,788 07    | 3,178 57                 |            | 3,178 57   | 2,609 50                            |                                     |
| H.....  | 391 69        | 126 51     | 518 20      | 1,349 66                 |            | 1,349 66   |                                     | \$831 46                            |
| I.....  | 9,434 51      | 2,017 38   | 11,451 89   | 87 07                    | 18 00      | 105 07     | 11,346 82                           |                                     |
| K.....  | 4,412 54      | 1,442 73   | 5,855 27    | 545 57                   | 9,887 04   | 10,432 61  |                                     | 4,577 34                            |
| L.....  | 25,930 89     | 1,865 91   | 27,796 74   | 1,118 17                 | 1,783 49   | 2,901 66   | 24,895 08                           |                                     |
| M.....  | 7,904 19      | 151 47     | 8,055 66    | 1,095 12                 | 5,848 02   | 6,943 14   | 1,112 52                            |                                     |
| Total..   | 129,307 30    | 26,262 31  | 155,569 61  | 16,383 05                | 26,262 31  | 42,645 36  | 118,333 05                          | 5,408 89                            |
| Deduct receipts in excess of expenditures ..... |               |            |             |                          |            |            | 5,408 80                            |                                     |
| Total net expenditures .....                    |               |            |             |                          |            |            | 112,924 25                          |                                     |

I certify that the above tabular statement is a correct abstract from the books in my office.

T. C. MOORE, *Secretary.*

#### COST PER CAPITA.

The average annual cost of keeping each man actually present in the Home during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, excluding the value of clothing issued, was \$129.56, as shown by the following exhibit, viz :

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Value of subsistence stores on hand June 30, 1880.....                                       | \$2,076 90       |
| Value of fuel on hand June 30, 1880.....   | 823 19           |
| Gross expenditures in all departments of the Home during the year ending June 30, 1881 ..... | 155,569 61       |
| Total .....  | 158,469 79       |
| Deduct credits for sales, &c., shown in the above table .....                                | \$42,645 36      |
| Deduct value of subsistence stores on hand June 30, 1881.....                                | 1,480 94         |
| Deduct value of fuel on hand June 30, 1881.....  | 501 74           |
| Deduct construction and repairs account .....  | 18,147 90        |
| Deduct cost of transmitting beneficiaries to Home before admission .....                     | 949 30           |
| Deduct cost of transporting insane inmates.....  | 34 95            |
|  | <u>63,760 19</u> |
| Net current expenditures in running the Home during the year .....                           | 94,709 60        |

Divide \$94,709.60 by 731, the average number of beneficiaries actually present, and the result is \$129.56.

The gross expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880, were \$188,309.08, against \$155,569.61 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, showing a decrease in expenditures for the year just past of \$32,739.47, notwithstanding the average number of inmates taken care of was 37.30 greater than the year previous.

The average value of clothing issued to each man during the year was \$24.29, making the total average cost of keeping and clothing each man \$153.85 per year.

## COST OF DAILY RATION.

The average cost of the daily ration, including value of all subsistence stores produced by and received from the Home farm and Home stable, the cost of transportation to the Home, the cost of fuel consumed in bakery, and the pay-roll of all persons employed in the subsistence department, during the year ending June 30, 1881, was \$14.77 per hundred, as shown by the following exhibit:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Cost of subsistence on hand June 30, 1880.....   | \$2,076 99 |
| Cost of subsistence purchased for cash .....   | 35,445 95  |
| Amount of pay-rolls of employes in bakery and subsistence department...  | 1,331 34   |
| Value of subsistence received from Home farm .....   | 3,489 87   |
| Value of subsistence received from Home stable.....  | 3,051 23   |
| Value of transportation furnished by Home stable.....  | 464 75     |
| Value of material furnished by Home blacksmith shop .....  | 1 00       |
| Value of material furnished by Home paint shop.....  | 93         |
| Value of material furnished by Home carpenter shop.....  | 1 00       |
| Value of material furnished by Home printing office .....  | 4 80       |
| Cost of fuel consumed in the bakery .....  | 175 86     |
| <hr/>  |            |
| Total cost of subsistence stores on hand June 30, 1880, and received during the year ending June 30, 1881..... | 46,043 72  |
| <hr/>  |            |
| Value of subsistence stores sold for cash .....  | 3,962 37   |
| Value of subsistence stores sold to Home.....  | 1,082 84   |
| Value of subsistence stores issued to beneficiaries, including cost of labor, &c .....                         | 39,517 57  |
| Value of subsistence stores on hand June 30, 1881 .....  | 1,480 94   |
| <hr/>  |            |
| Total value of subsistence stores issued and sold during the year and remaining on hand June 30, 1881 .....    | 46,043 72  |

The average daily number of beneficiaries subsisted, including men temporarily at post, was 732.22, making the whole number of rations issued 267,626. Divide \$39,517.57, the cost of subsistence, by 267,626, the number of rations issued, and we have \$14.77.

Included in the cost of ration, as computed above, is the cost of chewing and smoking tobacco issued to beneficiaries during the first, second, and third quarters, amounting to \$532.67. The average cost of the ration, exclusive of tobacco, during the year was \$14.57 per hundred. In accordance with circular order of the president of the board of managers, dated Hartford, Conn., January 20, 1881, the purchase and issue of tobacco was transferred to the quartermaster's department on February 1, 1881.

The cost of the ration in 1870 was \$23.62; in 1871, \$21.27; in 1872, \$22.33; in 1873, \$22.91; in 1874, \$21.69; in 1875, \$21.61; in 1876, thirteen months, \$19.28; in 1877, \$19.19; in 1878, \$17.35; in the six months ending June 30, 1879, \$14.60; and in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1880, \$14.31 per hundred.

## SUBSISTENCE STORES PURCHASED.

The following tabular statement exhibits the quantity and cost of subsistence stores purchased and issued and sold during the year, and

the average price paid therefor, including cost of transportation to the Home :

| Articles.  | Purchased during the year. |         | Issued and sold. |         | Average cost of stores purchased, including transportation. |                      |
|--|----------------------------|---------|------------------|---------|---|----------------------|
|  | Quantity.                  | Value.  | Quantity.        | Value.  |   |                      |
| Apples, dried .....  | pounds..                   | 4,560   | \$245 01         | 4,866   | \$253 21  | \$5 42 per 100 lbs.  |
| Beans, Navy .....  | bushels..                  | 167     | 284 33           | 104     | 294 84  | 173 26 per 100 bush. |
| Beef, corned .....   | pounds..                   | 67,908  | 2,594 33         | 70,048  | 2,677 88  | 3 75 per 100 lbs.    |
| Beef, fresh .....  | do.....                    | 126,422 | 7,203 33         | 127,609 | 7,273 34  | 5 65 per 100 lbs.    |
| Beets .....  | bushels..                  | 160     | 70 00            | 160     | 80 38   | 50 00 per 100 bush.  |
| Butter .....   | pounds..                   | 23,744  | 4,871 91         | 25,359  | 5,308 73  | 20 57 per 100 lbs.   |
| Cabbage .....  | do.....                    | 17,265  | 172 65           | 17,265  | 172 65  | 1 00 per 100 lbs.    |
| Carrots .....  | bushels..                  | 343     | 132 55           | 343     | 132 55  | 38 64 per 100 bush.  |
| Cheese .....   | pounds..                   | 1,355   | 163 26           | 1,396   | 175 65  | 12 10 per 100 lbs.   |
| Coffee, Java .....   | do.....                    | 976     | 263 42           | 978     | 281 05  | 27 04 per 100 lbs.   |
| Coffee, Rio .....  | do.....                    | 12,369  | 1,533 23         | 9,995   | 1,591 67  | 12 61 per 100 lbs.   |
| Corn-meal .....  | do.....                    | 3,400   | 38 90            | 3,114   | 56 47   | 1 19 per 100 lbs.    |
| Corn, sweet .....  | cans....                   | 144     | 20 82            | 113     | 14 46   | 14 51 per 100 cans.  |
| Crackers .....   | pounds..                   | 983     | 40 84            | 1,057   | 46 02   | 4 20 per 100 lbs.    |
| Currants, dried .....  | do.....                    | 968     | 58 68            | 1,202   | 80 71   | 6 11 per 100 lbs.    |
| Cucumbers .....  | bushels..                  | 289     | 144 75           | 289     | 144 75  | 50 09 per 100 bush.  |
| Eggs .....   | dozen..                    | 4,812   | 751 59           | 4,818   | 754 76  | 15 67 per 100 doz.   |
| Fish, dry cod .....  | pounds..                   | 10,680  | 438 79           | 10,755  | 432 18  | 4 16 per 100 lbs.    |
| Flour, baker's .....   | barrels..                  | 869     | 5,123 48         | 920     | 5,476 24  | 589 53 per 100 bbls. |
| Flour, front rank .....  | do.....                    | 34      | 248 80           | 34      | 244 05  | 736 76 per 100 bbls. |
| Ham, sugar-cured .....   | pounds..                   | 3,708   | 388 10           | 3,840   | 393 65  | 10 52 per 100 lbs.   |
| Hominy .....   | do.....                    | 1,800   | 46 50            | 1,895   | 51 85   | 2 61 per 100 lbs.    |
| Ice .....  | tons....                   | 430     | 430 00           | 320     | 320 00  | 100 00 per 100 tons. |
| Lard .....   | pounds..                   | 1,923   | 194 26           | 2,066   | 211 70  | 10 15 per 100 lbs.   |
| Macaroni .....   | do.....                    | 100     | 8 00             | 129     | 10 69   | 8 00 per 100 lbs.    |
| Milk .....   | gallons..                  | 17,186  | 2,876 66         | 17,186  | 2,876 66  | 16 74 per 100 galls. |
| Mustard .....  | pounds..                   | 604     | 125 42           | 616     | 126 44  | 20 81 per 100 lbs.   |
| Mutton .....   | do.....                    | 21,547  | 1,077 35         | 22,631  | 1,131 73  | 5 00 per 100 lbs.    |
| Oatmeal .....  | do.....                    | 2,000   | 45 65            | 2,331   | 64 98   | 2 34 per 100 lbs.    |
| Onions .....   | bushels..                  | 580     | 403 38           | 601     | 407 43  | 69 55 per 100 bush.  |
| Parsnips .....   | do.....                    | 108     | 59 24            | 108     | 60 24   | 54 85 per 100 bush.  |
| Peaches, dried .....   | pounds..                   | 212     | 14 31            | 218     | 14 18   | 6 80 per 100 lbs.    |
| Peas, split .....  | do.....                    | 4,469   | 114 59           | 4,759   | 124 96  | 2 61 per 100 lbs.    |
| Pepper, black .....  | do.....                    | 400     | 66 00            | 474     | 81 77   | 16 55 per 100 lbs.   |
| Pickles .....  | barrels..                  |         |                  | 54      | 163 93  | 304 00 per 100 bbls. |
| Pork, salt .....   | pounds..                   | 25,400  | 1,572 55         | 25,891  | 1,608 40  | 6 24 per 100 lbs.    |
| Potatoes .....   | bushels..                  | 2,737   | 1,109 89         | 2,788   | 1,179 64  | 40 55 per 100 bush.  |
| Prunes .....   | pounds..                   | 4,212   | 251 09           | 5,108   | 308 95  | 6 01 per 100 lbs.    |
| Rice .....   | do.....                    | 2,555   | 162 55           | 2,432   | 158 64  | 6 41 per 100 lbs.    |
| Shoulders, sugar-cured .....   | do.....                    | 14,800  | 925 75           | 15,597  | 992 72  | 6 30 per 100 lbs.    |
| Sauerkraut .....   | barrels..                  | 22      | 88 00            | 22      | 88 00   | 400 00 per 100 bbls. |
| Squash .....   | pounds..                   | 14,262  | 142 63           | 14,263  | 142 63  | 1 00 per 100 lbs.    |
| Sugar, C .....   | do.....                    | 27,475  | 2,156 31         | 29,112  | 2,201 91  | 7 90 per 100 lbs.    |
| Sugar, granulated and powdered .....   | do.....                    | 7,698   | 765 80           | 7,948   | 802 37  | 10 30 per 100 lbs.   |
| Sirup .....  | gallons..                  | 713     | 271 66           | 795     | 301 51  | 38 60 per 100 galls. |
| Tea, Oolong, for general use .....   | pounds..                   | 3,241   | 823 45           | 3,672   | 934 08  | 25 49 per 100 lbs.   |
| Tea, Oolong, best .....  | do.....                    | 91      | 42 33            | 85      | 46 29   | 46 52 per 100 lbs.   |
| Tea, Young Hyson .....   | do.....                    | 192     | 104 34           | 133     | 76 80   | 54 34 per 100 lbs.   |
| Tobacco, plug .....  | do.....                    | 356     | 149 40           | 383     | 158 65  | 42 02 per 100 lbs.   |
| Tobacco, smoking .....   | do.....                    | 1,560   | 373 90           | 1,640   | 394 10  | 24 02 per 100 lbs.   |
| Tomatoes .....   | cans....                   | 144     | 14 40            | 209     | 24 48   | 10 05 per 100 cans.  |
| Turkey .....   | pounds..                   | 1,152   | 115 20           | 1,152   | 115 20  | 10 00 per 100 lbs.   |
| Vinegar .....  | gallons..                  | 1,010   | 142 79           | 1,932   | 145 45  | 14 64 per 100 galls. |
| Miscellaneous .....  |                            |         | 2,496 39         |         | 1,324 48  |                      |
| Transportation furnished by Home stable during the year ending June 30, 1881 .....       |                            |         | 41,987 05        |         | 42,583 10   |                      |
| Fuel for bakery furnished by the Home during the year ending June 30, 1881 .....         |                            |         | 464 75           |         | 464 75  |                      |
| Value of material furnished by Home blacksmith shop .....                                |                            |         | 175 86           |         | 175 86  |                      |
| Value of material furnished by Home carpenter shop .....                                 |                            |         | 1 00             |         | 1 00  |                      |
| Value of material furnished by Home painter shop .....                                   |                            |         | 1 00             |         | 1 00  |                      |
| Value of material furnished by Home printing-office .....                                |                            |         | 93               |         | 93  |                      |
| Value of material furnished by Home printing-office .....                                |                            |         | 4 80             |         | 4 80  |                      |
| Cash paid for labor in subsistence department during the year ending June 30, 1881 ..... |                            |         | 1,331 34         |         | 1,331 34  |                      |
| Cost of subsistence stores on hand June 30, 1880 .....                                   |                            |         | 2,076 99         |         |   |                      |
| Cost of subsistence stores on hand June 30, 1881 .....                                   |                            |         |                  |         | 1,480 94  |                      |
| <b>Total .....</b>   |                            |         | <b>46,043 72</b> |         | <b>46,043 72</b>  |                      |

Very little difference exists in the price paid for the leading articles of subsistence during the several quarters. In the item of flour the average cost per barrel was as follows: First quarter, \$6.12; second quarter, \$5.87; third quarter, \$5.81; fourth quarter, \$5.77.

The average cost of daily ration issued to the hospital during each quarter was:

|   | Value of subsistence issued. | Number of rations issued. |                |         | Average cost per hundred. |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------|---------------------------|
|   |                              | To sick.                  | To attendants. | Total.  |                           |
| For the quarter ending September 30, 1880 ..... | \$2, 133 18                  | 10, 094                   | 2, 614         | 12, 638 | \$16 81                   |
| For the quarter ending December 31, 1880 .....  | 2, 371 27                    | 10, 201                   | 3, 078         | 13, 369 | 17 74                     |
| For the quarter ending March 31, 1881 .....     | 2, 098 07                    | 10, 237                   | 3, 043         | 14, 280 | 15 80                     |
| For the quarter ending June 30, 1881 .....      | 1, 941 03                    | 9, 495                    | 2, 719         | 12, 214 | 15 89                     |
| For the whole year .....                        | 8, 543 55                    | 40, 047                   | 11, 454        | 51, 501 | 16 59                     |
| For the year ending June 30, 1880 .....         | 7, 288 19                    | 36, 188                   | 8, 770         | 44, 958 | 16 21                     |
| For the six months ending June 30, 1879 .....   | 3, 323 66                    | 15, 740                   | 3, 874         | 19, 614 | 16 95                     |
| For the calendar year 1878 .....                | 7, 572 78                    | 32, 259                   | 6, 401         | 38, 660 | 19 59                     |

The average cost of daily ration issued to the general dining-room during each quarter was:

|   | Value of subsistence issued. | Number of rations issued. | Average cost per hundred. |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| For the quarter ending September 30, 1880 ..... | \$7, 046 36                  | 46, 410                   | \$15 18                   |
| For the quarter ending December 31, 1880 .....  | 8, 451 46                    | 55, 981                   | 15 10                     |
| For the quarter ending March 31, 1881 .....     | 8, 125 49                    | 61, 226                   | 13 27                     |
| For the quarter ending June 30, 1881 .....      | 7, 350 71                    | 52, 508                   | 14 00                     |
| For the whole year .....                        | 30, 974 02                   | 216, 126                  | 14 33                     |
| For the year ending June 30, 1880 .....         | 29, 038 47                   | 208, 935                  | 13 90                     |
| For the six months ending June 30, 1879 .....   | 15, 674 86                   | 110, 506                  | 14 13                     |
| For the calendar year 1878 .....                | 36, 204 72                   | 213, 734                  | 16 94                     |

The average cost of daily ration issued to the whole Home during each quarter was:

|   | Value of subsistence issued. | Number of rations issued. | Average cost per hundred. |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| For the quarter ending September 30, 1880 ..... | \$9, 179 54                  | 59, 048                   | \$15 55                   |
| For the quarter ending December 31, 1880 .....  | 10, 822 73                   | 69, 350                   | 15 61                     |
| For the quarter ending March 31, 1881 .....     | 10, 223 56                   | 74, 506                   | 13 72                     |
| For the quarter ending June 30, 1881 .....      | 9, 291 74                    | 64, 722                   | 14 36                     |
| For the whole year .....                        | 39, 517 57                   | 267, 626                  | 14 77                     |
| For the year ending June 30, 1880 .....         | 36, 326 66                   | 253, 892                  | 14 31                     |
| For the six months ending June 30, 1879 .....   | 18, 998 52                   | 130, 120                  | 14 60                     |
| For the calendar year 1878 .....                | 43, 777 50                   | 252, 394                  | 17 35                     |
| For the calendar year 1877 .....                | 47, 491 73                   | 247, 525                  | 19 19                     |
| For the calendar year 1876 .....                | 39, 049 81                   | 203, 160                  | 19 22                     |

#### BILL OF FARE.

No permanent diet list is prescribed, either in the general kitchen or hospital, but a bill of fare, adapted as far as practicable to the season, is prepared daily for the general kitchen by the governor, and the commissary employes and cooks are required to conform to it strictly. In the hospital the bill of fare is prescribed by the surgeon.

## IMPROVEMENTS.

During the year an artesian well has been bored near the main building, and is now in successful operation, yielding 350 gallons of water per minute, with a pressure of 34 pounds to the square inch; this force being sufficient to raise it to the tanks on the upper floor of the main building, and in that way saving a large amount of fuel formerly used for pumping to these tanks.

The supply is abundant for all purposes.

The analysis of the artesian water is as follows:

One gallon, United States measure, contains:

Total quantity of solid substances, 38.2296 grains; consisting of—

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Chloride of sodium .....               | 1.4040 grains.  |
| Sulphate of lime .....                 | 20.7148 grains. |
| Bicarbonate of lime .....              | 4.5805 grains.  |
| Bicarbonate of magnesia .....          | 8.9563 grains.  |
| Bicarbonate of protoxide of iron ..... | 0.1638 grains.  |
| Alumina .....                          | 0.0702 grains.  |
| Silica .....                           | 2.3400 grains.  |

## STABLE.

The following is a detailed statement of the sale of stable products during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881:

| Articles sold.                 | Quantity.      | Sold for cash, value. | Sold to Home, value. | Total.           |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Boars .....                    | 3              | \$40 00               |                      | \$40 00          |
| Bones .....                    | 12,740 pounds  | 61 15                 |                      | 61 15            |
| Bulls .....                    | 1              | 53 20                 |                      | 53 20            |
| Calves .....                   | 24             | 102 00                |                      | 102 00           |
| Chickens .....                 | 172            |                       | \$43 00              | 43 00            |
| Corn .....                     | 4 bushels      | 1 56                  |                      | 1 56             |
| Cows .....                     | 7              | 257 59                |                      | 257 59           |
| Ducks .....                    | 33             |                       | 9 05                 | 9 05             |
| Eggs .....                     | 834 dozen      | 99                    | 120 52               | 121 51           |
| Forage, officers' horses ..... |                |                       | 240 00               | 240 00           |
| General teaming .....          |                |                       | 4,034 86             | 4,034 86         |
| Grease .....                   | 1,305 pounds   | 65 25                 |                      | 65 25            |
| Hay .....                      | 126,874 pounds | 1,048 84              |                      | 1,048 84         |
| Hire of teams .....            |                | 78 80                 |                      | 78 80            |
| Hogs .....                     |                | 1,156 50              |                      | 1,156 50         |
| Keep of cows .....             |                | 15 00                 |                      | 15 00            |
| Keep of horses .....           |                | 156 19                |                      | 156 19           |
| Lambs .....                    | 54             | 108 00                |                      | 108 00           |
| Manure .....                   | 4104 cords     |                       | 410 25               | 410 25           |
| Milk .....                     | 17,186 gallons |                       | 2,876 66             | 2,876 66         |
| Oats .....                     | 1234 bushels   | 10 89                 | 36 00                | 46 89            |
| Pigs .....                     | 51             | 243 00                |                      | 243 00           |
| Sheep .....                    | 65             | 219 37                |                      | 219 37           |
| Straw .....                    |                | 1 05                  | 8 50                 | 9 55             |
| Sundries .....                 |                | 42 85                 |                      | 42 85            |
| Turkeys .....                  | 2              |                       | 2 00                 | 2 00             |
| Wool .....                     | 445 pounds     | 120 15                |                      | 120 15           |
| <b>Total .....</b>             |                | <b>3,782 38</b>       | <b>7,780 84</b>      | <b>11,563 22</b> |

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Cash value of stable products sold .....  | \$11,563 22 |
| Cash expended on account of stable .....  | \$4,862 43  |
| Bought of Home on account of stable ..... | 7,574 21    |

Gross expenditures on account of stable .....

12,436 64

Expenditures over receipts .....

873 42

We have on hand about twenty tons of hay, value \$280.

The balance of deficiency can be accounted for from the fact of our excessively cold winter, which prevented us from doing our usual amount of teaming, thereby curtailing the revenues of the stable.

## FARM AND GARDEN.

The report of the operations of the farm and garden for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, and the value of their products, and the expenditures on account thereof, was as follows:

|   |            |             |
|---|------------|-------------|
| Cash value of crops raised.....                       |            | \$10,455 61 |
| Cash expended on account of farm and garden.....      | \$4,327 69 |             |
| Bought of Home on account of farm and garden.....     | 969 09     |             |
| Gross expenditures on account of farm and garden..... |            | 5,296 78    |
| Net profits of farm and garden.....                   |            | 5,158 83    |

## Quantity and value of crops raised during the year 1880-'81.

| Products.                      | Crop raised year 1880. |            |              | Sales—    |          |           |        | Total.    |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------|--------------|-----------|----------|-----------|--------|-----------|
|                                | Quantity.              | Value.     | Total value. | To Home.  |          | For cash. |        |           |
|                                |                        |            |              | Quantity. | Value.   | Quantity. | Value. |           |
| Apples.....bushels..           | 447½                   | 25@50c     | \$172 12     | 441½      | \$169 12 | 6         | \$3 00 | \$172 12  |
| Asparagus.....bunches..        | 159                    | \$0 05     | 7 95         | 159       | 7 95     |           |        | 7 95      |
| Auction sundries.....          |                        |            | 2 00         |           |          |           | 2 00   | 2 00      |
| Beans, green.....bushels..     | 135½                   | 50         | 67 75        | 135½      | 67 75    |           |        | 67 75     |
| Beets.....do.....              | 241                    | 25@50c     | 100 25       | 241       | 100 25   |           |        | 100 25    |
| Cabbage.....heads..            | 3,397                  | 05         | 169 85       | 3,397     | 169 85   |           |        | 169 85    |
| Carrots.....bushels..          | 212                    | 25@50c     | 88 02        | 212       | 88 02    |           |        | 88 02     |
| Celery.....dozen.....          | 44½                    | 25         | 11 05        | 44½       | 11 05    |           |        | 11 05     |
| Corn.....bushels.....          | 554                    | 38@40c     | 211 88       | 554       | 211 88   |           |        | 211 88    |
| Cucumbers.....do.....          | 289½                   | 50         | 144 75       | 289½      | 144 75   |           |        | 144 75    |
| Currants.....do.....           | 21                     | 1 00       | 21 00        | 21        | 21 00    |           |        | 21 00     |
| Firewood.....cords.....        | 122½                   | \$3 50@\$4 | 476 75       | 122½      | 476 75   |           |        | 476 75    |
| Fodder.....tons.....           | 23                     | 7 00       | 161 00       | 23        | 161 00   |           |        | 161 00    |
| Gooseberries.....bushels..     | 15                     | 1 00       | 15 00        | 15        | 15 00    |           |        | 15 00     |
| Grass seed.....do.....         | 1½                     | 4 00       | 6 00         | 1½        | 6 00     |           |        | 6 00      |
| Hay.....tons.....              | 283                    | 14 00      | 3,962 00     | 283       | 3,962 00 |           |        | 3,962 00  |
| Ice.....do.....                | 1,099                  | 50@ \$1    | 806 50       | 430       | 430 00   | 669       | 376 50 | 806 50    |
| Kraut.....barrels.....         | 22                     | 4 00       | 88 00        | 22        | 88 00    |           |        | 88 00     |
| Lettuce.....pounds.....        | 649                    | 04         | 25 96        | 649       | 25 96    |           |        | 25 96     |
| Mangel wurtzel.....bushels..   | 502                    | 25         | 125 50       | 502       | 125 50   |           |        | 125 50    |
| Oats.....do.....               | 2,383                  | 28         | 667 24       | 2,383     | 667 24   |           |        | 667 24    |
| Onions.....do.....             | 602½                   | 50@ \$1    | 425 49       | 602½      | 425 49   |           |        | 425 49    |
| Parsnips.....do.....           | 28½                    | 50         | 14 12        | 28½       | 14 12    |           |        | 14 12     |
| Pease, green.....do.....       | 58                     | 1 00       | 58 00        | 58        | 58 00    |           |        | 58 00     |
| Pasturing cattle.....head..... | 57                     | 5 00       | 285 00       | 57        | 285 00   |           |        | 285 00    |
| Pasturing sheep.....do.....    | 65                     | 1 00       | 65 00        | 65        | 65 00    |           |        | 65 00     |
| Potatoes.....bushels.....      | 3,701½                 | 25@50c     | 1,347 14     | 3,701½    | 1,347 14 |           |        | 1,347 14  |
| Pumpkins.....each.....         | 20                     | 05         | 1 00         | 20        | 1 00     |           |        | 1 00      |
| Rhubarb.....pounds.....        | 1,110                  | 02         | 22 20        | 1,110     | 22 20    |           |        | 22 20     |
| Salsify.....bushels.....       | 12½                    | 50         | 1 25         | 12½       | 1 25     |           |        | 1 25      |
| Spinach.....do.....            | 171                    | 50         | 85 50        | 171       | 85 50    |           |        | 85 50     |
| Squash.....pounds.....         | 14,253                 | 01         | 142 53       | 14,253    | 142 53   |           |        | 142 53    |
| Straw.....tons.....            | 40                     | 5 00       | 200 00       | 40        | 200 00   |           |        | 200 00    |
| Tomatoes.....bushels.....      | 402                    | 50         | 201 00       | 402       | 201 00   |           |        | 201 00    |
| Turnips.....do.....            | 182½                   | 30@50c     | 83 24        | 182½      | 83 24    |           |        | 83 24     |
| Wheat.....do.....              | 203½                   | 95@ \$1    | 193 57       | 6½        | 6 50     | 196 55    | 187 07 | 193 57    |
| Total.....                     |                        |            | 10,455 61    |           | 9,887 04 |           | 568 57 | 10,455 61 |

## CLOTHING.

The rule for issuing clothing at this branch is as follows: To each beneficiary, when admitted to the Home for the first time, clothing is issued without charge to the value of \$21.35; subsequently he is allowed clothing to the value of \$30 per year, and if he has an income exceeding five dollars per month, from pension or extra duty, or both, he is required to pay for all clothing issued to him in excess of his admission suit; otherwise it is donated to him. Shirts, drawers, and socks are issued to all alike free, two of each kind once every six months.

The following tabular statement exhibits the kind, quantity, and value of all clothing issued during the year:

| Articles issued.           | Quarter ending—               |                                |                                |                                | Donated to beneficiaries.      |           | Paid for by beneficiaries.     |          | Total for the year ending June 30, 1881. |           |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|----------|--|-----------|
|                            | September 30, 1880.           | December 31, 1880.             | March 31, 1881.                | June 30, 1881.                 | Number.                        | Value.    | Number.                        | Value.   | Number.                                  | Value.    |
| Blouses, unlined           | 43                            |                                |                                |                                | 37                             | \$65 49   | 6                              | \$10 62  | 43                                       | \$76 11   |
| Blouses, new stock         |                               |                                |                                | 196                            | 192                            | 384 00    | 4                              | 8 00     | 196                                      | 392 00    |
| Blouses, lined             | 30                            | 94                             |                                |                                | 108                            | 313 20    | 16                             | 40 40    | 124                                      | 359 60    |
| Blouses, lined, new stock  | 120                           | 190                            | 37                             |                                | 318                            | 677 34    | 29                             | 61 77    | 347                                      | 739 11    |
| Blouses, lined, extra size |                               | 4                              | 5                              |                                | 9                              | 31 50     |                                |          | 9  | 31 50     |
| Blouses, lined, new stock  |                               |                                | 199                            | 18                             | 195                            | 487 50    | 22                             | 55 00    | 217                                      | 542 50    |
| Boots, togus               | 4                             | 24                             | 66                             | 70                             | 139                            | 355 75    | 25                             | 73 00    | 164                                      | 428 75    |
| Boots, old stock           | 4                             | 27                             |                                | 3                              | 28                             | 57 96     | 6                              | 12 42    | 34                                       | 70 38     |
| Caps, forage               | 134                           | 149                            | 110                            | 86                             | 440                            | 217 76    | 39                             | 18 76    | 479                                      | 236 52    |
| Coats, great               | 1                             | 203                            | 52                             | 1                              | 247                            | 1,341 03  | 10                             | 53 97    | 257                                      | 1,395 00  |
| Coats, uniform             | 89                            | 115                            | 137                            | 86                             | 306                            | 2,692 20  | 21                             | 134 35   | 327                                      | 2,826 55  |
| Drawers, pairs             | 407                           | 499                            | 1,023                          | 670                            | 2,442                          | 1,613 12  | 157                            | 102 22   | 2,599                                    | 1,715 34  |
| Flannel, dark-blue, yards  | 14                            | 4                              | 35 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> | 9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>  | 36 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> | 21 90     | 27                             | 16 20    | 63 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>           | 38 10     |
| Hats, uniform              | 88                            | 67                             | 100                            | 72                             | 325                            | 325 00    | 2                              | 2 00     | 327                                      | 327 00    |
| Kersey, dark-blue, yards   | 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 18 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>  | 18 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>  | 19 26     | 40 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 110 46   | 46 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>           | 129 72    |
| Kersey, sky-blue, yards    |                               | 28 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 10 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> | 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>  | 15 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 16 14     | 27 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | 29 32    | 43 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>           | 45 46     |
| Overalls                   | 28                            | 21                             | 19                             | 56                             | 81                             | 88 29     | 43                             | 46 87    | 124                                      | 135 16    |
| Ponchos                    |                               |                                | 2                              |                                | 2                              | 5 26      |                                |          | 2  | 5 26      |
| Shirts, white cotton       |                               | 72                             |                                |                                | 62                             | 51 00     | 4                              | 3 00     | 72                                       | 54 00     |
| Shirts, firemen            | 8                             |                                |                                |                                | 8                              | 8 00      |                                |          | 8  | 8 00      |
| Shirts, knit               | 382                           | 548                            | 930                            | 905                            | 2,686                          | 2,959 45  | 79                             | 80 80    | 2,765                                    | 3,040 25  |
| Shirts, wool               | 482                           | 663                            | 1,214                          | 1,032                          | 3,168                          | 940 92    | 223                            | 64 93    | 3,391                                    | 1,005 85  |
| Shoes                      | 213                           | 261                            | 147                            | 144                            | 600                            | 981 65    | 75                             | 113 45   | 765                                      | 1,095 10  |
| Trousers                   | 225                           | 285                            | 250                            | 248                            | 903                            | 2,740 65  | 105                            | 320 10   | 1,008                                    | 3,060 75  |
| Total                      |                               |                                |                                |                                |                                | 16,394 37 |                                | 1,363 64 |  | 17,758 01 |

## LAUNDRY.

The work of the Home laundry, in which 6 men were regularly employed during the year, has been as follows:

| Articles.          | First quarter ending September 30, 1880. | Second quarter ending December 31, 1880. | Third quarter ending March 31, 1881. | Fourth quarter ending June 30, 1881. | Total for the year ending June 30, 1881. |
|--------------------|--|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Aprons             | 954                                      | 578                                      | 640                                  | 720                                  | 2,898                                    |
| Bed-spreads        | 222                                      | 234                                      | 211                                  | 236                                  | 903                                      |
| Bed-ticks          | 6  | 85                                       | 22                                   | 44                                   | 157                                      |
| Blankets           | 70                                       | 101                                      | 152                                  | 116                                  | 439                                      |
| Blouses            | 20                                       | 14                                       | 17                                   | 28                                   | 77                                       |
| Cloths, side table | 52                                       | 52                                       | 52                                   | 52                                   | 208                                      |
| Cloths, table      | 26                                       | 26                                       | 26                                   | 26                                   | 104                                      |
| Drawers, pairs     | 3,377                                    | 4,183                                    | 3,260                                | 2,854                                | 13,674                                   |
| Hospital gowns     | 24                                       | 25                                       | 31                                   | 26                                   | 116                                      |
| Napkins            | 419                                      | 384                                      | 412                                  | 306                                  | 1,611                                    |
| Overalls           | 219                                      | 147                                      | 121                                  | 192                                  | 679                                      |
| Pillow slips       | 8,256                                    | 9,597                                    | 9,866                                | 8,751                                | 36,470                                   |
| Sheets             | 8,562                                    | 9,910                                    | 10,247                               | 9,654                                | 38,373                                   |
| Socks              | 1,501                                    | 2,124                                    | 1,444                                | 1,370                                | 6,439                                    |
| Shirts             | 4,622                                    | 5,624                                    | 5,132                                | 4,760                                | 20,138                                   |
| Towels, hand       | 5,524                                    | 5,899                                    | 5,252                                | 5,721                                | 22,206                                   |
| Towels, roller     | 4,268                                    | 4,270                                    | 4,311                                | 4,347                                | 17,194                                   |
| Trousers, pairs    | 113                                      | 100                                      | 77                                   | 64                                   | 354                                      |
| Vests              |  | 2  |                                      |                                      | 2  |
| Total              | 38,233                                   | 43,165                                   | 41,283                               | 39,361                               | 162,042                                  |

SHOPS.

The following table exhibits the number of mechanical trades carried on at this branch during the year ending June 30, 1881, with number of men employed in each shop, amount of expenditure, value of products, and net profit in each, to wit:

| Mechanical trades.            | Number of men employed. | Tools and materials on hand June 30, 1880. | Expenditures. |          |            | Receipts. |          | Tools and materials on hand June 30, 1881. | Total.     | Gain.   | Loss.   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--|---------------|----------|------------|-----------|----------|--|------------|---------|---------|
|                               |                         |  | Cash.         | Home.    | Total.     | Cash.     | Home.    |  |            |         |         |
| Blacksmithshop                | 2                       | \$761 53                                   | \$833 06      | \$110 51 | \$1,705 10 | \$158 99  | \$813 99 | \$791 53                                   | \$1,764 51 | \$59 41 | .....   |
| Carpenter shop                | 9                       | 367 19                                     | 2,828 02      | 2 85     | 3,198 06   | 20 68     | 1,942 31 | 1,269 20                                   | 3,242 19   | 43 23   | .....   |
| Harness shop                  | 1                       | 228 33                                     | 722 24        | 7 05     | 957 62     | 32 45     | 645 54   | 296 48                                     | 974 47     | 16 85   | .....   |
| Paint shop                    | 7                       | 158 35                                     | 1,038 61      | 12 77    | 1,209 73   | 9 74      | 1,095 45 | 121 89                                     | 1,227 08   | 17 35   | .....   |
| Printing office & bookbindery | 5                       | 1,061 65                                   | 872 69        | 13 93    | 1,948 27   | 237 40    | 608 48   | 1,218 10                                   | 2,063 98   | 115 71  | .....   |
| Shoe shop                     | 2                       | 211 76                                     | 743 49        | .....    | 955 25     | 498 25    | 158 43   | 299 69                                     | 956 37     | 1 12    | .....   |
| Tailor shop                   | 1                       | .....                                      | 292 30        | .....    | 292 39     | 88 85     | 24 86    | 82 00                                      | 195 71     | .....   | \$96 59 |
| Tin shop                      | 3                       | 405 14                                     | 572 88        | 4 36     | 982 38     | 48 70     | 608 96   | 390 91                                     | 1,048 63   | 66 25   | .....   |
| Total                         | .....                   | 3,193 95                                   | 7,904 19      | 151 47   | 11,249 61  | 1,095 12  | 5,898 02 | 4,479 80                                   | 11,472 94  | 319 92  | 96 59   |

\* Including one citizen.

† Commenced operation January 1, 1881. Expenses of linen room charged to tailor shop, hence the loss.

DISCIPLINE.

The following tabular statement exhibits the number and nature of offenses committed against the discipline of the Home during the year ending June 30, 1881, and the amount of penalties imposed, to wit:

| Nature of offenses.                              | No.      |
|--|----------|
| Drunk  | 438      |
| Under influence of liquor                        | 363      |
| Bringing liquor into the Home                    | 14       |
| Absence without leave                            | 858      |
| Assault and fighting in quarters                 | 21       |
| Theft or robbery                                 | 2        |
| Violation of other rules                         | 138      |
| Other misdemeanors                               | 6        |
| Whole number of offenses                         | 1,840    |
| Total amount of fines imposed                    | \$4,028  |
| Total number of days' labor imposed as penalties | 4,953    |
| Total number of days' confinement in guard-house | 1,149    |
| Amount of fines remitted during the year         | \$280 33 |

The whole number of beneficiaries in the Home during the year was 1,205, of which 480, or forty per cent., committed 1,840 offenses, and 725 committed no offenses. The following tabular statement exhibits the number of offenses committed by each beneficiary during the year, to wit:

|                             | Total. |                             | Total. |
|-----------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|--------|
| 1 man committed 42 offenses | 42     | 4 men committed 10 offenses | 40     |
| 1 man committed 29 offenses | 29     | 14 men committed 9 offenses | 126    |
| 1 man committed 26 offenses | 26     | 14 men committed 8 offenses | 112    |
| 1 man committed 22 offenses | 22     | 14 men committed 7 offenses | 98     |
| 1 man committed 19 offenses | 19     | 21 men committed 6 offenses | 126    |
| 2 men committed 18 offenses | 36     | 29 men committed 5 offenses | 145    |
| 3 men committed 17 offenses | 51     | 47 men committed 4 offenses | 188    |
| 3 men committed 16 offenses | 48     | 42 men committed 3 offenses | 126    |
| 1 man committed 15 offenses | 15     | 82 men committed 2 offenses | 164    |
| 3 men committed 14 offenses | 42     | 180 men committed 1 offense | 180    |
| 4 men committed 13 offenses | 52     |                             |        |
| 2 men committed 12 offenses | 24     | 480                         | 1,840  |
| 8 men committed 11 offenses | 88     |                             |        |

725 inmates committed no offenses.

Of twelve hundred and five beneficiaries who have been cared for in this branch of the Home during the year, seven hundred and twenty-five have committed no offense against the discipline of the Home or the laws of the land; and one hundred and eighty have committed but one offense each.

*Dishonorable discharges.*

| Number. | Name.   | Company and regiment.          | Number of general order. | Date.         | Remarks.  |
|---------|---------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---|
| 1       | E—S—    | Chaplain 119 N. Y. Volunteers. | 89                       | July 1, 1880  | A malignant monomaniac.   |
| 2       | P—R—    | C, 6 N. Y. Vols                | 92                       | July 1, 1880  | Absence without leave, and general misconduct.  |
| 3       | B—Y—    | E, 16 N. Y. Vols               | 98                       | July 20, 1880 | An incorrigible offender.   |
| 4       | W—R—    | G, 5 Iowa Cav                  | 142                      | Nov. 10, 1880 | Drunkenness, fighting, and disorderly conduct. Assaulting members of the provost guard.       |
| 5       | A—F. N— | C, 10 N. H. Vols               | 153                      | Dec. 7, 1880  | Absence without leave, insubordination, and refusing to do duty for which paid.               |
| 6       | J—McC—  | E, 82 N. Y. Vols               | 158                      | Dec. 16, 1880 | Using violent and threatening language to the surgeon.  |
| 7       | D—H—    | B, 3 Wis. Vols                 | 160                      | Dec. 18, 1880 | Disgraceful conduct while out of the Home on furlough.  |
| 8       | R—B—    | D, 161 N. Y. Vols              | 20                       | Feb. 12, 1881 | Obtaining merchandise and money under false pretenses.  |
| 9       | H—E—    | G, 58 Ohio Vols                | 39                       | Mar. 24, 1881 | Refusing to perform labor imposed as penalty for unlawfully disposing of government clothing. |
| 10      | G—McI—  | F, 51 N. Y. Vols               | 46                       | Apr. 10, 1881 | Repeated absence without leave, drunkenness, and disposing of government clothing.            |
| 11      | G—W. N— | D, 19 Wis. Vols                | 56                       | May 28, 1881  | Repeated absence without leave, drunkenness, and disorderly conduct.                          |
| 12      | S—F—    | I, 108 N. Y. Vols              | 60                       | June 7, 1881  | Circulating false and slanderous reports, and for drunkenness while on duty.                  |
| 13      | G—W—    | A, 2 N. Y. H. A                | 62                       | June 12, 1881 | Repeated drunkenness, absence without leave, and disregard of the rules of the Home.          |
| 14      | P—R—    | F, 14 N. Y. Vols               | 66                       | June 25, 1881 | Repeated drunkenness, and assaulting a member of the provost guard.                           |

SANITARY REGULATIONS.

General Orders of this branch, No. 19, dated March 18, 1875, requires all beneficiaries of the Home to bathe not less frequently than once a week; and the company sergeants, charged with the execution of this order, submit the following reports:

Report of Sergeant Joseph Horle, Company A: "I herewith report that provisions of General Orders No. 19, dated March 18, 1875, in reference to the men taking a bath once a week, have been strictly enforced during the past year, with beneficial results as regards the health of the men and also to the sanitary condition of the Home."

Report of Sergeant Henry Topping, Company B: "I have the honor to report that General Orders No. 19 has been strictly complied with during the past year, with results beneficial to the health, cleanliness, and comfort of the men."

Report of Sergeant Charles Lidle, Company C: "I have the honor to report in regard to General Orders No. 19, dated March 18, 1875, requiring each man to take a bath once a week, and that the order is strictly complied with and considered a necessity for the health and comfort of the inmates."

Report of Sergeant James B. Kennedy, Company D: "I have the honor to report that General Orders No. 19, dated March 18, 1875, has been strictly carried out in this company, and the result is general cleanliness and good health."

Report of Sergeant George Fiedler, band: "I have the honor to report that General Orders No. 19, relating to bathing once a week, has been strictly observed in this band during the past year, with results beneficial to the health, cleanliness, and comfort of its members."

The surgeon reports: "The rules of the hospital require each patient to take a bath once a week, except the very aged and those confined to their beds, who have a sponge bath administered by the nurses of their respective wards, as often as advised by the surgeon."

## VISITORS TO THE HOME.

During the year a large number of persons, representing every part of this country and many foreign nations, have registered at the office and been shown through the buildings, expressing admiration of the cleanliness and order which they have observed.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JACOB SHARPE,  
*Governor and Treasurer.*

*Annual report for Northwestern Branch National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers,  
for year ending June 30, 1881.*

## GAIN.

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Admitted .....    | 215 |
| Readmitted .....  | 103 |
| Transferred ..... | 67  |
| Total .....       | 385 |

## LOSS.

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Honorably discharged .....    | 126 |
| Dishonorably discharged ..... | 14  |
| Transferred .....             | 42  |
| Deserted .....                | 46  |
| Died .....                    | 56  |
| Total .....                   | 284 |

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Total present .....                                 | 665   |
| Total present last report .....                     | 626   |
| Total present and absent .....                      | 921   |
| Total present and absent last report .....          | 820   |
| Whole number cared for during year .....            | 1,205 |
| Whole number cared for during previous year .....   | 1,247 |
| Average number present during year .....            | 731   |
| Average number present and absent during year ..... | 912   |

## WHAT WAR.

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| War 1861 .....    | 1,185 |
| Mexican war ..... | 15    |
| War 1812 .....    | 5     |

## WHAT SERVICE.

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Volunteers ..... | 1,173 |
| Regulars .....   | 29    |
| Navy .....       | 3     |

## AGE.

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| 30 to 40 .....                               | 162 |
| 40 to 50 .....                               | 301 |
| 50 to 60 .....                               | 376 |
| 60 to 80 .....                               | 355 |
| 80 to 100 .....                              | 11  |
| Married, with wives and minor children ..... | 331 |

## NATIONALITY.

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Native born .....  | 346 |
| Foreign born ..... | 859 |

## OCCUPATION.

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Farmers .....     | 195 |
| Mechanics .....   | 380 |
| Laborers .....    | 438 |
| Professions ..... | 192 |

## DISABILITY.

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Loss of limbs ..... | 91  |
| Wounds .....        | 346 |
| Sickness .....      | 677 |
| Blindness .....     | 60  |
| Other causes .....  | 31  |

## HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Treated in hospital .....                      | 693 |
| Treated in quarters .....                      | 449 |
| Total number insane .....                      | 31  |
| Died in hospital .....                         | 46  |
| Died on furlough .....                         | 10  |
| Proportion of deaths to number cared for ..... | 4.6 |

## NUMBER OF INMATES EMPLOYED AT TRADES IN THE HOME.

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Blacksmith shop ..... | 2 |
| Bookbindery .....     | 1 |
| Carpenter-shop .....  | 9 |
| Harness-shop .....    | 1 |
| Paint-shop .....      | 7 |
| Printing-office ..... | 4 |
| Shoe-shop .....       | 2 |
| Tailor's shop .....   | 1 |
| Tin-shop .....        | 3 |

## PENSIONS.

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Total number of pensioners .....                          | 470         |
| Amount received .....                                     | \$54,820 61 |
| Paid to families .....                                    | 10,410 44   |
| Held by Home at interest, for benefit of pensioners ..... | 8,030 14    |
| Amount retained for any purpose by Home .....             | 9,786 87    |

## PROFITS OF FARM, GARDEN, AND STABLE.

|                                     |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Farm and garden .....               | \$5,158 83 |
| Stable, loss of .....               | 873 42     |
| Inmates under pay during year ..... | 276        |

## LIBRARY.

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Number of books in library ..... | 3,910 |
| Number daily papers .....        | 32    |
| Number weekly papers .....       | 63    |
| Number magazines, &c .....       | 39    |
| Number books issued .....        | 8,100 |
| Number books purchased .....     | 412   |

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Total expenditures .....   | \$155,569 61 |
| Cost of construction and repairs .....                                   | 18,147 90    |
| <hr/>  |              |
| Expenses less construction and repairs .....                             | 137,421 71   |
| <hr/>  |              |
| Average cost of keeping each inmate, exclusive of cost of clothing ..... | \$129 56     |
| Cost of daily ration, \$0 14.77.   |              |
| Total cost of commissary supplies .....                                  | 41,987 05    |
| Gross sales of Home store .....  | 13,214 75    |
| Net profit of Home store .....   | 3,412 35     |
| Amount of fines and forfeitures .....                                    | 3,611 24     |
| Amount expended for amusements .....                                     | 828 29       |
| <hr/>  |              |
| Number of entertainments given .....                                     | 20           |

J. SHARPE,  
Governor.

*The National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Northwestern Branch. Post return for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881.*

## PRESENT FOR DUTY.

## Commissioned officers:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Governor, treasurer, and quartermaster ..... | 1 |
| Surgeon .....                                | 1 |
| Secretary .....                              | 1 |
| <hr/>  |   |
| Total .....                                  | 3 |

## Non-commissioned officers:

|                              |     |
|------------------------------|-----|
| Sergeant-major .....         | 1   |
| Commissary-sergeant .....    | 1   |
| Quartermaster-sergeant ..... | 1   |
| Hospital steward .....       | 1   |
| Sergeant provost guard ..... | 1   |
| Sergeants .....              | 5   |
| Lance corporals .....        | 3   |
| <hr/>                        |     |
| Total .....                  | 13  |
| Privates .....               | 320 |

## Hospital:

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Sick .....       | 103 |
| Attendants ..... | 22  |
| <hr/>            |     |
| Total .....      | 125 |

## Extra duty:

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 4   |
| Privates .....                  | 203 |
| <hr/>                           |     |
| Total present:                  |     |
| Commissioned officers .....     | 3   |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 17  |
| Privates .....                  | 648 |

## ABSENT.

## With leave:

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Privates ..... | 245 |
|----------------|-----|

## Without leave:

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Privates .....       | 11  |
| <hr/>                |     |
| Total—privates ..... | 256 |

## PRESENT AND ABSENT.

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Total present and absent:       |     |
| Commissioned officers .....     | 3   |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 17  |
| Privates .....                  | 904 |

## Aggregate:

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| This report.....  | 924 |
| Last report ..... | 823 |

## CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT.

*Gain.*

## Commissioned officers:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| By appointment, General Jacob Sharpe, governor ..... | 1 |
|--|---|

## Privates:

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| By admission .....             | 215        |
| By readmission.....            | 102        |
| By transfer .....              | 67         |
| By return from desertion ..... | 1          |
| <b>Total .....</b>             | <b>385</b> |

*Loss.*

## Commissioned officers:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| By resignation, General E. W. Hincks, deputy governor ..... | 1 |
|---|---|

## Privates:

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| By discharge .....                        | 95         |
| By summarily discharged .....             | 14         |
| By dishonorable discharge .....           | 14         |
| By desertion .....                        | 46         |
| By dropped from temporarily at post ..... | 17         |
| By transfer to other branches .....       | 41         |
| By transfer to insane asylum .....        | 1          |
| By death.....                             | 56         |
| <b>Total .....</b>                        | <b>284</b> |

## HEALTH.

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Number treated in hospital ..... | 693          |
| Number treated in quarters ..... | 449          |
| <b>Total .....</b>               | <b>1,142</b> |

## LIBRARY.

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Number of volumes.....                        | 3,910 |
| Number of daily papers.....                   | 32    |
| Number of weekly papers and periodicals ..... | 102   |
| Number of volumes read.....                   | 8,100 |

## CITIZEN EMPLOYÉS.

## Males:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| On construction, mason.....             | 1 |
| Foreman blacksmith .....                | 1 |
| Engineer.....                           | 1 |
| Superintendent of farm and stable ..... | 1 |
| Band leader.....                        | 1 |
| Musicians .....                         | 3 |
| Clerk .....                             | 1 |
| Florist.....                            | 1 |

## Females:

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Hospital matron ..... | 1         |
| <b>Total .....</b>    | <b>11</b> |

## REMARKS.

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Average present during year.....            | 731       |
| Average present and absent during year..... | 912       |
| Average cost of ration during year .....    | \$0 14.77 |

I certify the above to be a correct report.

J. SHARPE,  
Governor.

ANNUAL REPORT OF EASTERN BRANCH FOR THE YEAR  
ENDING JUNE 30, 1881.TOGUS, ME., *August 29, 1881.*General M. T. McMAHON,  
*Secretary, New York:*

GENERAL: I have the honor to forward herewith my annual report for the year ending 30th June, 1881.

To compute the cost of keeping each man I have divided the total cost, exclusive of clothing, by the average number present. Had the total cost been divided by the total number cared for, the apparent cost of keeping each man would have appeared much less, but the former method of computation seems to me to be the most accurate.

In fixing the death-rate I have included deaths of men on furlough, otherwise the proportion would be only 2.86 per cent. instead of 4.77 per cent., as stated.

As anticipated in my last report, the death-rate has increased from natural causes. At the same time, our numbers are maintained by reason of new admissions. There have been no new buildings erected during the year. The experience of years shows that \$10,000 per annum is the least sum that can be taken to keep our building and plant in repair. I have asked for no new barracks, because those we now have are likely to be adequate for all future wants. As to industries carried on, they have been few. Besides the farm, the only paying work has been done in the repair-shops. The shoe-shop, which is now leased to parties who are running it on their own account, has employed a few of the men.

The experience of the past has been of such a nature, on the whole, as to discourage any increase of the pay-roll. No harm is thereby done to industrious and steady men, as plenty of work awaits them outside our limits. There can be no question, however, of the great advantage of employment to both body and mind. A few words of explanation seem necessary in relation to our Home store. This establishment bears a close relationship to the sutler's store, with which we were all familiar in the Army.

The object in opening it was to provide the men, at cost, with such articles as fancied necessity might impel them to seek in town. Beginning with dry goods, fruit, confectionery, and notions, we soon saw that these attractions were inadequate.

The men sought a stronger drink than they could get at the Home. As a substitute, I allowed the sale of cider in the store, but, after a thorough trial, became convinced that it was intoxicating, and prohibited it. And yet, during this trial, the ratio of commitments and fines decreased. For this reason, I afterward permitted the sale of lager beer, believing it to be less noxious than cider, and with few intervals the sale has been continued to the present day. Our Home is, and always has been, surrounded by rumsellers, eager for the men's money. To defeat these land-sharks, and to keep the men and money at home, have been my objects in allowing the sale of beer. There have been some drawbacks to the system, for, although rigid rules have been made defining the quantity to which every man was to be restricted, yet instances have occurred where men who have been committed for drunkenness have demurred to punishment, on the ground that they got too much beer. But in point of fact, after several investigations of such charges, I have found that those men came into camp full of bad liquor, topped off with

a glass of beer, and then laid all the blame to the beer. In a few cases such men, in revenge for having been disciplined, have gone so far as to insinuate that the governor of the Home has reaped a pecuniary advantage from the operations of the Home store, and have found credence among ignorant or bad men, who would do so if they had the opportunity, and among the scavengers of obscure and depraved newspapers. I have had the following facts extracted from the store records: During the 43 months in which we have sold beer there have been 2,476 half-barrels purchased and sold. The net profit has been \$12,380. The sum spent for the men's amusement and benefit, \$7,881; leaving a surplus of \$4,499. This sum of \$4,499 remains unappropriated, but I have already recommended to the board of managers that it be devoted to the erection of a chapel for the men's use. Religious services have heretofore been held in the amusement hall, which has also been devoted to lectures, society meetings, theatricals, and negro-minstrel shows, which have lent to it associations and an atmosphere foreign to the house of God. No other use for this fund can be suggested, as the future current profits will more than pay the future current expenditures on account of the men's amusement.

There is no question in my mind that the Home store is an aid to discipline, by reducing the ratio of drunkenness and fines, and that it is also a benefit to the men physically, mentally, and morally. Ethics are not involved in the question so much as is common-sense expediency in dealing with stubborn facts.

I conclude with a kind commendation of my men, who generally are well-intentioned and well-behaved old soldiers.

W. S. TILTON,  
Governor.

*Addenda to General W. S. Tilton's annual report of Eastern Branch for year ending June 30, 1881.*

6.

Of the whole number cared for there was one colored man.

7.

They come from the following-named States:

|                     |     |                  |       |
|---------------------|-----|------------------|-------|
| Maine .....         | 233 | Maryland .....   | 10    |
| New Hampshire ..... | 105 | Ohio .....       | 13    |
| Vermont .....       | 19  | Indiana .....    | 13    |
| Massachusetts ..... | 543 | Illinois .....   | 5     |
| Rhode Island .....  | 64  | Iowa .....       | 5     |
| Connecticut .....   | 46  | Kentucky .....   | 5     |
| New York .....      | 288 | California ..... | 5     |
| New Jersey .....    | 12  |                  |       |
| Pennsylvania .....  | 25  | Total .....      | 1,391 |

11.

Their trades or occupations are as follows:

|                   |    |                    |    |
|-------------------|----|--------------------|----|
| Barbers .....     | 9  | Cigar-makers ..... | 24 |
| Butchers .....    | 5  | Clerks .....       | 47 |
| Bakers .....      | 28 | Curriers .....     | 5  |
| Blacksmiths ..... | 23 | Druggists .....    | 6  |
| Carpenters .....  | 75 | Engineers .....    | 21 |

|                      |     |                          |    |
|----------------------|-----|--------------------------|----|
| Farmers .....        | 131 | Printers .....           | 10 |
| Dentists .....       | 2   | Seamen .....             | 18 |
| Harness-makers ..... | 5   | Shoemakers .....         | 33 |
| Laborers .....       | 614 | Tailors .....            | 44 |
| Machinists .....     | 56  | Telegraph operator ..... | 1  |
| Masons .....         | 62  | Weavers .....            | 65 |
| Molders .....        | 25  | Lawyers .....            | 2  |
| Musicians .....      | 16  | Physicians .....         | 2  |
| Painters .....       | 62  |                          |    |

## 23.

Religious services are held as follows:

Sabbath-school at 2.30 p. m.

Services are held every Sunday afternoon in Amusement Hall, at 3.30 p. m., by Rev. Samuel Upjohn.

Catholic services are conducted by Rev. Jeremiah McCarthy once a fortnight, at 2 p. m. Saturday and 8 a. m. Sunday.

There are two temperance organizations and a post of the Grand Army connected with the Home. They have a large membership and are in a flourishing condition.

*Annual report for Eastern Branch, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, for year ending June 30, 1881.*

## GAIN.

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Admitted .....    | 216 |
| Readmitted .....  | 106 |
| Transferred ..... | 18  |
| Total .....       | 340 |

## LOSS.

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Honorably discharged .....    | 123 |
| Dishonorably discharged ..... | 6   |
| Transferred .....             | 22  |
| Deserted .....                | 46  |
| Died .....                    | 65  |
| Total .....                   | 262 |

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Total present .....                                 | 795   |
| Total present last report .....                     | 722   |
| Total present and absent .....                      | 1,130 |
| Total present and absent last report .....          | 1,022 |
| Whole number cared for during year .....            | 1,362 |
| Whole number cared for during previous year .....   | 1,391 |
| Average number present during year .....            | 837   |
| Average number present and absent during year ..... | 1,055 |

## WHAT WAR.

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| War 1861 .....    | 1,352 |
| Mexican war ..... | 4     |
| War 1812 .....    | 6     |

## WHAT SERVICE.

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Volunteers ..... | 1,346 |
| Regulars .....   | 10    |
| Navy .....       | 6     |

## AGE.

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| 30 to 40 ..... | 507 |
| 40 to 50 ..... | 593 |
| 50 to 60 ..... | 193 |

|   |     |
|---|-----|
| 60 to 80 .....                              | 64  |
| 80 to 100 .....                             | 5   |
| Married, with wives and minor children..... | 613 |

## NATIONALITY.

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Native born.....  | 578 |
| Foreign born..... | 784 |

## OCCUPATION.

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Farmers .....    | 131 |
| Mechanics .....  | 595 |
| Laborers.....    | 614 |
| Professions..... | 22  |

## DISABILITY.

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Loss of limbs..... | 105 |
| Wounds .....       | 583 |
| Sickness .....     | 515 |
| Blindness .....    | 6   |
| Other causes.....  | 53  |

## HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Treated in hospital.....                      | 175  |
| Treated in quarters.....                      | 637  |
| Total number insane .....                     | 13   |
| Died in hospital.....                         | 39   |
| Died on furlough .....                        | 26   |
| Proportion of deaths to number cared for..... | 4.77 |

## NUMBER OF INMATES EMPLOYED AT TRADES IN THE HOME.

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Blacksmith-shop ..... | 2 |
| Bookbindery .....     | 1 |
| Carpenter-shop.....   | 6 |
| Harness-shop .....    | 1 |
| Paint-shop.....       | 3 |
| Printing-office ..... | 1 |
| Soap-shop .....       | 2 |
| Tailor's shop.....    | 1 |

## PENSIONS.

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Total number of pensioners.....                            | 495         |
| Amount received.....                                       | \$91,140 28 |
| Paid to families.....                                      | 32,654 00   |
| Held by Home, at interest, for benefit of pensioners ..... | 14,678 00   |
| Amount retained for any purpose by Home.....               | 11,432 75   |

## PROFITS OF FARM, GARDEN, AND STABLE.

|              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Farm .....   | \$1,160 40 |
| Stable ..... | 650 00     |

Inmates under pay during year .....

277

## LIBRARY.

|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Number of books in library..... | 5,043  |
| Number of daily papers .....    | 25     |
| Number of weekly papers .....   | 121    |
| Number of magazines, &c .....   | 18     |
| Number of books issued .....    | 13,963 |
| Number of books purchased ..... | 280    |

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Total expenditures.....  | \$113,493 33 |
| Cost of construction and repairs .....                                   | 10,223 85    |
| Expense, less construction and repairs .....                             | 103,269 48   |
| Average cost of keeping each inmate, exclusive of cost of clothing ..... | 123 36       |

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Cost of daily ration, \$0 21.16.                    |             |
| Total cost of commissary supplies .....             | \$59,328 25 |
| Gross sales of Home store .....                     | 11,126 03   |
| Net profits of Home store .....                     | 4,102 47    |
| Amount of fines and forfeitures .....               | 2,244 70    |
| Amount expended for amusements; band, \$2,500 ..... | 5,360 31    |
|   | <hr/>       |
| Number of entertainments .....                      | 39          |

W. S. TILTON,  
Governor.

*The National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Eastern Branch. Post return for the year ending June 30, 1881.*

## PRESENT FOR DUTY.

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Commissioned officers:          |       |
| Governor .....                  | 1     |
| Surgeon .....                   | 1     |
|                                 | <hr/> |
| Total .....                     | 2     |
| Non-commissioned officers:      |       |
| Sergeant-major .....            | 1     |
| Commissary-sergeant .....       | 1     |
| Quartermaster-sergeant .....    | 1     |
| Sergeants .....                 | 8     |
|                                 | <hr/> |
| Total .....                     | 11    |
| Privates .....                  | 602   |
| Hospital:                       |       |
| Sick .....                      | 53    |
| Attendants .....                | 18    |
|                                 | <hr/> |
| Total .....                     | 71    |
| Extra duty:                     |       |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 2     |
| Privates .....                  | 122   |
|                                 | <hr/> |
| Total present:                  |       |
| Commissioned officers .....     | 2     |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 13    |
| Privates .....                  | 795   |

## ABSENT.

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| With leave:    |       |
| Privates ..... | 231   |
| Without leave: |       |
| Privates ..... | 21    |
|                | <hr/> |
| Total:         |       |
| Privates ..... | 292   |

## PRESENT AND ABSENT.

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Total present and absent:       |       |
| Commissioned officers .....     | 2     |
| Non-commissioned officers ..... | 13    |
| Privates .....                  | 1,087 |
|                                 | <hr/> |
| Aggregate:                      |       |
| This report .....               | 1,102 |
| Last report .....               | 1,024 |

## CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT.

## Gain.

|                      |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| Privates:            |       |
| By admission .....   | 216   |
| By readmission ..... | 106   |
| By transfer .....    | 18    |
|                      | <hr/> |
| Total .....          | 340   |

*Loss.*

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Privates:                          |     |
| By discharge.....                  | 123 |
| By dishonorable discharge.....     | 6   |
| By desertion.....                  | 46  |
| By transfer to other branches..... | 22  |
| By death.....                      | 65  |
| Total.....                         | 262 |

## HEALTH.

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Number treated in hospital..... | 175 |
| Number treated in quarters..... | 637 |
| Total.....                      | 812 |

## LIBRARY.

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Number of volumes.....                       | 5,043  |
| Number of daily papers.....                  | 25     |
| Number of weekly papers and periodicals..... | 121    |
| Number of volumes read.....                  | 13,963 |

## CITIZEN EMPLOYÉS.

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Males:                            |   |
| Engineer.....                     | 1 |
| Superintendent of farm.....       | 1 |
| Band leader, 1; musicians, 4..... | 5 |
| Superintendent of stable.....     | 1 |
| Druggist.....                     | 1 |
| Total.....                        | 9 |

## REMARKS.

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Average present during year.....            | 837       |
| Average present and absent during year..... | 1,055     |
| Average cost of ration during year.....     | \$0 20.16 |

I certify the above to be a correct report.

W. S. TILTON,  
Governor.

General M. T. McMAHON,  
Secretary Board of Managers, New York City.

Table exhibiting the average number of beneficiaries present, absent, and sick, the total gain and loss from all causes, the number present on November 30 each year, and the whole number of beneficiaries cared for during each year since the establishment of the Eastern Branch to June 30, 1881.

| Year ending June 30— | Average number present and absent during each year. |  |  |  |   | Gain each year. |                 |                                  |                           |             | Loss during each year. |                            |                                |  |           | Total number present and absent November 30 each year; December 31 to June 30, 1879, 6 months; and June 30, 1880 and 1881. | Whole number of beneficiaries cared for during each year and for 6 months to June 30, 1879, and 12 months from July 1, 1879, to June 30, 1881. |               |
|----------------------|---|--|--|--|---|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------|--|--|---------------|
|                      | Average number present during each year.            | Average number present during each year. | Average number in hospital sick and attended during each year. | Average number absent with leave during each year. | Average number absent without leave during each year. | By admission.   | By readmission. | By transfer from other branches. | By return from desertion. | Total gain. | By discharge.          | By dishonorable discharge. | By transfer to other branches. | By transfer to Government Insane Hospital. | By death. |  |  | By desertion. |
| 1867, 3 months       | 201   | 179                                      | 53   | 19   | 7   | 69              | 10              |                                  |                           | 79          | 24                     |                            | 1                              |  | 23        | 49   | 220  | 319           |
| 1868                 | 91  | 76                                       | 36   | 17   | 3   | 67              |                 | 5                                |                           | 72          | 30                     |                            | 159                            | 4  | 5         | 198  | 98   | 292           |
| 1869                 | 393   | 307                                      | 33   | 52   | 6   | 250             | 16              | 218                              |                           | 464         | 73                     | 1                          | 7                              | 11   | 11        | 104  | 627  | 582           |
| 1870                 | 482   | 381                                      | 43   | 90   | 14  | 176             | 59              | 7                                |                           | 242         | 96                     | 14                         | 7                              | 13   | 8         | 218  | 501  | 869           |
| 1871                 | 499   | 380                                      | 50   | 109  | 17  | 298             | 76              | 8                                |                           | 382         | 107                    | 21                         | 47                             | 23   | 96        | 294  | 543  | 883           |
| 1872                 | 511   | 371                                      | 51   | 127  | 11  | 218             | 53              | 9                                |                           | 280         | 137                    | 25                         | 23                             | 22   | 66        | 273  | 519  | 797           |
| 1873                 | 570   | 414                                      | 19   | 140  | 10  | 228             | 76              | 35                               |                           | 339         | 46                     | 18                         | 30                             | 3  | 18        | 186  | 683  | 859           |
| 1874                 | 750   | 551                                      | 20   | 173  | 24  | 253             | 37              | 46                               |                           | 336         | 86                     | 4                          | 33                             | 6  | 23        | 60   | 806  | 1,019         |
| 1875                 | 655   | 575                                      | 20   | 123  | 24  | 169             | 53              | 32                               |                           | 254         | 208                    | 20                         | 32                             | 12   | 26        | 84   | 679  | 1,024         |
| 1876                 | 729   | 599                                      | 50   | 124  | 21  | 226             | 144             | 22                               |                           | 392         | 80                     | 5                          | 36                             | 40   | 76        | 337  | 834  | 1,033         |
| 1877                 | 859   | 703                                      | 75   | 153  | 16  | 287             | 90              | 24                               |                           | 401         | 138                    | 7                          | 38                             | 2  | 31        | 56   | 722  | 1,035         |
| 1878                 | 1,044   | 836                                      | 90   | 161  | 24  | 267             | 98              | 23                               |                           | 388         | 92                     | 6                          | 45                             | 9  | 45        | 244  | 1,107  | 1,351         |
| 1879                 | 1,098   | 901                                      | 98   | 167  | 29  | 105             | 35              | 12                               |                           | 152         | 69                     | 3                          | 20                             | 3  | 22        | 136  | 1,123  | 1,328         |
| 1880                 | 1,075   | 840                                      | 86   | 174  | 23  | 222             | 83              | 29                               |                           | 334         | 249                    | 7                          | 24                             | 21   | 60        | 416  | 1,041  | 1,391         |
| 1881                 | 1,100   | 795                                      | 90   | 201  | 37  | 216             | 106             | 18                               |                           | 340         | 123                    | 6                          | 22                             | 65   | 46        | 262  | 1,119  | 1,362         |
| <b>Total</b>         |   |  |  |  |   | 3,051           | 936             | 488                              |                           | 4,475       | 1,558                  | 137                        | 524                            | 47   | 404       | 803  | 3,473  |               |

<sup>a</sup> Building destroyed by fire January, 1868.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN BRANCH, NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEERS, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1881.

NEAR FORT MONROE, VA., *August 29, 1881.*

General MARTIN T. McMAHON,  
*Secretary Board of Managers, National Home for  
Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, New York City:*

GENERAL: I have the honor to submit for your consideration annual report of Southern Branch for year ending June 30, 1881.

In presenting you with statistical report I have the honor to accompany it with a short narrative, showing the working of the several departments of the branch during said year.

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Number present June 30, 1880.....  | 671 |
| Number present June 30, 1881 ..... | 706 |

While there has been a slight increase in the number admitted to this branch during the year, yet the ratio of new admissions to discharges and deaths is about the same as the preceding year. Our experience is that soldiers who since the war have been successfully contending with the fruits of the service, wounds, injuries, &c., and endeavoring to earn a livelihood for themselves and families, have finally succumbed and been obliged to seek shelter in the Home. Another class have been supported or aided by relatives and friends until increased infirmity, exhaustion of means, or other causes, have compelled them to seek the same hospital shelter. It is a noticeable fact that a large majority of this class are afflicted with pulmonary or chronic diseases, and, as a rule, survive but a short time after admission. A large proportion of the deaths are of non-pensioners, showing that the exposure and hardship incident to warfare were as fatal as the bullets of the enemy, and the greater the length of service the greater the liability to diseases from such causes. The seeds of disease and death incident to the service are germinating at this late date, and in consequence the rate of new admissions must necessarily increase during the next few years.

I am much gratified to state that the doctor's report shows the health of the command to have been uniformly good, having had no epidemic and almost entirely free from acute diseases during the year.

Total number of deaths 40, of whom 8 died while on furlough from causes unknown to the surgeon. Some of them had been on furlough a considerable time, the deaths being reported through friends or newspapers. The large number of deaths reported is owing to the greater number of men admitted in a very feeble and almost dying condition; in one case death occurred within six hours after admission, while others survived but a short period, from a few days to a few weeks. Generally death occurs from disease directly or indirectly contracted in the service, and the patient succumbs after a prolonged struggle with his destroyer.

Hygienic discipline has been strictly maintained and regular sanitary measures enforced in every department. Sewerage has been an object of careful observation and has been kept in thorough repair. These causes, combined with salt-water bathing, the delightful climate and balmy atmosphere, with the great number of days in the year permitting out-door exercise, tend to prevent acute diseases and render this branch particularly adapted to most forms of chronic disease to which inmates are subject. There is a daily surgeon's call, when inmates are

treated for minor ailments not requiring regular hospital treatment. A competent wound-dresser is employed for treatment of old sores, ulcers, &c. A special diet-list is daily prepared by the surgeon for the sick in hospital. Though cramped for room and suitable accommodations, the sick in hospital have uniformly exhibited a commendable spirit of cheerfulness, patience, and gratitude for the efforts made by the honorable board to alleviate their sufferings.

#### PENSIONS.

The number of inmate pensioners has largely increased, owing, undoubtedly, to increased disability, their small pensions being insufficient to afford the proper relief outside the Home.

#### LIBRARY.

The librarian reports that the inmates repair to reading room daily in large numbers and take unabated interest in the newspapers and other reading matter, the variety of papers, political, literary, and religious, suiting all classes. Not less than ten thousand strangers have visited the library, and, while all are impressed with the advantages of the library and reading room, some have shown their appreciation by donations of books. A large proportion of the works in the library are intensely interesting, and much sought for and read with interest. Many of the volumes are not only entertaining, but of a very instructive character and calculated to strengthen and uphold the reader in good and useful thoughts.

#### RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

Weekly religious services have been held by Protestant clergymen—Baptist, Methodist, and Episcopal—alternately during the year; Catholic services every Sabbath morning and on holy days. Protestant and Catholic services are alike well attended and appreciated. The sick in hospital have been regularly attended by the chaplain of their faith. While there has been no perceptible difference in the habits of drinking intoxicating liquor among those so addicted when beyond the limits, yet the large majority of the men are of good moral habits, and the dishonorable discharges for offenses against discipline have fallen 50 per cent. in comparison with previous years.

#### AMUSEMENTS.

In addition to the usual games provided, there have been given 106 entertainments during the year—dramatic, musical, and lectures.

#### SHOPS.

In the expenses is included the tin-smith and harness-maker, and the engineer department, fitting up of steam, gas, and water pipes, replacing and keeping in repair all the steam, gas, water, and sewer pipes, with the necessary mason work.

#### FARM AND GARDEN.

In addition to the Home farm, 125 acres of land on Buck River, called Buck-row farm, have been leased. In consequence of the expenditure

on the lease there has been no profit on the farm, but a return of profit is expected from the outlay, which will appear in next report.

#### GREENHOUSE.

In addition to keeping up the improvements heretofore made, one acre of ground has been graded, trenched, and sodded; many walks have been made, and 125 flower-beds have been laid out and stocked with 60,000 choice plants and flowers, all propagated in our own conservatory. There are 2,000 new and rare plants at present in the conservatory.

Home store was established for the supplying inmates with indispensable articles. It has been successfully conducted. It tends, in a great measure, to prevent the men from going outside to make their purchases, removing them from temptation and proportionately aiding discipline. The net profit was \$7,700.58, from which is paid all expenses of store and amusements—theatre, lectures, concerts, billiard-saloon, bowling-alley, games, &c.—also library books, papers, periodicals, &c.

#### LAUNDRY.

There were 124,102 pieces washed, ironed, and issued during the year.

#### BATHS.

There have been a daily average of 250 salt-water baths taken during the season. In the winter each inmate is required to bathe weekly, hot and cold water being provided for the purpose.

#### VISITORS.

There have been 15,000 visitors. This number includes an average of two picnic excursions per week during summer months.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Total expenditure.....                                  | \$104,984 08 |
| Expenditure less construction and repairs .....         | 95,987 02    |
| Cost of keeping each inmate, exclusive of clothing..... | 128 34       |
| Cost of daily ration .....                              | 20 49        |
| Total cost of commissary supplies.....                  | 53,451 31    |

#### BILL OF FARE.

There has been a regular daily bill of fare, besides the surgeon's daily special orders for the sick in hospital.

In conclusion, I consider it just and proper to return to the surgeon thanks for the efficient aid he has rendered in promoting good discipline; also thanks are due to the clerks and non-commissioned officers, who have so faithfully and efficiently discharged their duties that the heavy burden has been made light and pleasant. To them all I return my thanks. Last, but not least, to the men of the command, whose behavior during the year has been such as to merit approbation; and I am truly gratified to speak a word in praise of their good conduct. With a very few exceptions good discipline has been maintained with cheerfulness and an appreciation of the labors of the managers and officers for their comfort. To all I appeal for a continuance of this confidence, so that on the close of the current year a report equally as good and favorable for this branch can be made.

Respectfully,

P. T. WOODFIN,  
*Governor and Treasurer.*

NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,  
Southern Branch, Hampton, Va., Sept. 27, 1881.

General M. T. McMAHON,  
Secretary Board of Managers,  
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers:

GENERAL: In response to your circular of the 21st instant I have the honor to submit the following addenda to the annual report of this branch for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881:

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| The total number of disabled soldiers and sailors cared for during the year was.   | 1, 167 |
| Total number of disabled soldiers and sailors cared for or aided by this branch since its first establishment, January 1, 1871, to June 30, 1881 | 2, 777 |
| Admitted during the year ending June 30, 1881  | 213    |
| Readmitted   | 76     |
| Transferred from other branches  | 52     |
| Discharged honorably   | 108    |
| Discharged summarily for refusing terms of readmission   | 4      |
| Discharged dishonorably for offenses—repeated drunkenness, absence without leave, bringing in whisky, &c   | 17     |
| Willfully deserted   | 30     |
| Dropped, failing to report from furlough   | 15     |
| Transferred to other branches  | 49     |
| Average number present   | 701    |
| Average number present and absent  | 864    |
| Belonging to Regular Army  | 76     |
| Belonging to Volunteer service   | 1, 059 |
| Belonging to Navy  | 32     |
| Served during war of the rebellion   | 1, 076 |
| Served during Mexican war  | 90     |
| Served during war of 1812  | 1      |
| Of whom are colored men  | 80     |

States from which they came or in which they enlisted:

|                      |    |                      |     |
|----------------------|----|----------------------|-----|
| California           | 4  | Missouri             | 26  |
| Connecticut          | 29 | New Mexico           | 1   |
| Delaware             | 12 | New York             | 363 |
| District of Columbia | 80 | New Jersey           | 75  |
| Illinois             | 19 | New Hampshire        | 16  |
| Indiana              | 11 | Ohio                 | 14  |
| Iowa                 | 1  | Pennsylvania         | 295 |
| Kansas               | 3  | Rhode Island         | 11  |
| Kentucky             | 16 | Tennessee            | 1   |
| Louisiana            | 8  | Vermont              | 12  |
| Maine                | 16 | Virginia             | 22  |
| Maryland             | 74 | West Virginia        | 5   |
| Massachusetts        | 37 | Wisconsin            | 6   |
| Michigan             | 8  | Washington Territory | 1   |
| Minnesota            | 1  |                      |     |

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Between 30 and 40 years of age  | 282 |
| Between 40 and 50 years of age  | 304 |
| Between 50 and 60 years of age  | 396 |
| Between 60 and 80 years of age  | 360 |
| Between 80 and 100 years of age | 25  |

Married, with wives or minor children dependent upon them, 409;  
native born, 476; foreign born, 691.

Nationality of the latter:

|         |     |              |     |
|---------|-----|--------------|-----|
| Austria | 13  | Ireland      | 301 |
| Belgium | 2   | Malta        | 1   |
| Bohemia | 1   | Newfoundland | 1   |
| Canada  | 5   | Nova Scotia  | 1   |
| Denmark | 1   | Norway       | 1   |
| England | 20  | Poland       | 2   |
| France  | 9   | Scotland     | 23  |
| Germany | 265 | Switzerland  | 30  |
| Hungary | 3   | Sweden       | 1   |
| Holland | 6   | Wales        | 5   |

## Trades or occupation :

|                       |    |                                  |     |
|-----------------------|----|----------------------------------|-----|
| Artists .....         | 2  | Harnessmakers .....              | 2   |
| Agents .....          | 30 | Hatters .....                    | 14  |
| Blacksmiths .....     | 12 | Hostlers .....                   | 4   |
| Bricklayers .....     | 20 | Hucksters .....                  | 16  |
| Butchers .....        | 6  | Jewellers .....                  | 1   |
| Boilermakers .....    | 7  | Laborers .....                   | 395 |
| Brewers .....         | 1  | Leather-dressers .....           | 1   |
| Barbers .....         | 6  | Machinists .....                 | 22  |
| Bakers .....          | 4  | Molders .....                    | 16  |
| Bookkeepers .....     | 10 | Musicians .....                  | 20  |
| Basketmakers .....    | 1  | Merchants .....                  | 20  |
| Carpenters .....      | 26 | Mule-spinners .....              | 4   |
| Cigarmakers .....     | 6  | Preachers .....                  | 1   |
| Clerks .....          | 70 | Opticians .....                  | 1   |
| Coopers .....         | 1  | Paper-hangers .....              | 1   |
| Cabinetmakers .....   | 13 | Peddlers .....                   | 29  |
| Coachmen .....        | 14 | Painters .....                   | 31  |
| Calico-printers ..... | 9  | Plasterers .....                 | 26  |
| Civil engineers ..... | 2  | Pavers .....                     | 1   |
| Carvers .....         | 1  | Policemen .....                  | 1   |
| Carpet-weavers .....  | 6  | Rectifiers .....                 | 1   |
| Cooks .....           | 12 | Shipwrights .....                | 1   |
| Curriers .....        | 4  | Sailors .....                    | 25  |
| Dairymen .....        | 2  | Soldiers .....                   | 30  |
| Druggists .....       | 3  | Surgical-instrument makers ..... | 1   |
| Drivers .....         | 20 | Stove-polishers .....            | 1   |
| Electrotypers .....   | 1  | Teamsters .....                  | 40  |
| Engineers .....       | 13 | Teachers .....                   | 7   |
| File-cutters .....    | 1  | Tinsmiths .....                  | 2   |
| Furriers .....        | 6  | Tailors .....                    | 10  |
| Fishermen .....       | 1  | Tinkers .....                    | 1   |
| Farmers .....         | 60 | Telegraph operators .....        | 4   |
| Gardeners .....       | 28 | Tanners .....                    | 1   |
| Gas-fitters .....     | 16 | Wool-spinners .....              | 6   |
| Glaziers .....        | 1  | Waiters .....                    | 15  |
| Glassmakers .....     | 1  |                                  |     |

Of the whole number present June 30, 1881, 684 could read and write, and 22 could do neither; of the latter, 88 per cent. were foreign and 12 per cent. native born.

Of the whole number cared for, 33 have lost one arm, 35 one leg, and 1,099 were disabled by other wounds or injuries, or by disease contracted in the service.

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Totally blind .....    | 14 |
| Partially blind .....  | 16 |
| Totally insane .....   | 9  |
| Partially insane ..... | 4  |

One thousand and eighty-nine were treated in quarters for the following diseases :

|                           |     |                        |    |
|---------------------------|-----|------------------------|----|
| Ague .....                | 12  | Cataract .....         | 4  |
| Alcoholism .....          | 30  | Dysentery .....        | 35 |
| Amaurosis .....           | 9   | Diarrhea .....         | 80 |
| Abscess .....             | 2   | Dumb ague .....        | 2  |
| Amputation .....          | 1   | Delirium tremens ..... | 1  |
| Asthma .....              | 17  | Dyspepsia .....        | 25 |
| Bilious derangement ..... | 105 | Dropsy .....           | 1  |
| Bright's disease .....    | 8   | Ear-ache .....         | 31 |
| Bed-sores .....           | 1   | Epilepsy .....         | 7  |
| Catarrah .....            | 6   | Erysipelas .....       | 6  |
| Chills .....              | 1   | Eczema .....           | 6  |
| Constipation .....        | 22  | Fistula .....          | 7  |
| Catarrah of bladder ..... | 1   | Flatulency .....       | 2  |
| Cold .....                | 20  | Gravel .....           | 1  |
| Cystitis .....            | 7   | Gonorrhœa .....        | 8  |

|                             |    |                           |    |
|-----------------------------|----|---------------------------|----|
| Gunshot wounds, old.....    | 33 | Rheumatism of back.....   | 25 |
| Hemorrhage.....             | 1  | Piles.....                | 2  |
| Heart disease.....          | 30 | Paralysis.....            | 13 |
| Hernia.....                 | 2  | Rheumatism.....           | 76 |
| Headache.....               | 26 | Spasms.....               | 1  |
| Hydrocele.....              | 2  | Sprained wrist.....       | 1  |
| Insomnia.....               | 2  | Stricture of urethra..... | 6  |
| Injury to chest.....        | 3  | Swelled neck.....         | 1  |
| Intermittent fever.....     | 10 | Swelled jaw.....          | 6  |
| Inflammation of liver.....  | 1  | Skin disease.....         | 12 |
| Inflammation of finger..... | 1  | Sprained arm.....         | 1  |
| Iritis.....                 | 6  | Sore throat.....          | 28 |
| Incised wound of head.....  | 1  | Varicose ulcers.....      | 37 |
| Jaundice.....               | 6  | Syphilis.....             | 6  |
| Lambago.....                | 5  | Swelled hand.....         | 1  |
| Neuralgia.....              | 33 | Orchitis.....             | 3  |
| Nervous debility.....       | 20 | Sprain.....               | 8  |
| Nausea.....                 | 10 | Conjunctivitis.....       | 42 |
| Orchitis.....               | 5  | Contusion of foot.....    | 6  |
| Opium habit.....            | 1  | Sore lips.....            | 9  |
| Pain in neck.....           | 3  | Cancer.....               | 4  |
| Pain in chest.....          | 12 | Toothache.....            | 30 |
| Poisoned.....               | 3  | Tonsillitis.....          | 2  |
| Pharyngitis.....            | 6  | Ulcers.....               | 12 |
| Phthisis.....               | 16 | Varicose veins.....       | 3  |
| Pleurisy.....               | 6  | Vertigo.....              | 17 |
| Intercostal neuralgia.....  | 22 | Locomotor ataxia.....     | 3  |
| Pain in groin.....          | 1  | Worms.....                | 4  |
| Pain in bowels.....         | 2  |                           |    |

One hundred and sixty-four were treated in hospital for the following diseases:

|   |    |                                 |    |
|---|----|---------------------------------|----|
| Asthma.....                                 | 7  | Hemiplegia.....                 | 2  |
| Alcoholism and paralysis.....               | 1  | Inflammatory rheumatism.....    | 1  |
| Ague.....                                   | 3  | Inflammation of liver.....      | 1  |
| Acute rheumatism.....                       | 2  | Intermittent fever.....         | 2  |
| Acute peritonitis.....                      | 2  | Insanity.....                   | 1  |
| Alcoholism.....                             | 6  | Incipient Bright's disease..... | 3  |
| Bilious derangement.....                    | 6  | Incontinence of urine.....      | 1  |
| Bright's disease.....                       | 5  | Irritable heart disease.....    | 1  |
| Chronic diarrhœa.....                       | 7  | Injury to knee.....             | 1  |
| Chronic rheumatism.....                     | 6  | Locomotor ataxia.....           | 1  |
| Chronic inflammation of eyes.....           | 2  | Malaria.....                    | 1  |
| Consumption.....                            | 2  | Mercurial salivation.....       | 1  |
| Chronic cystitis.....                       | 1  | Nervous prostration.....        | 1  |
| Chronic phthisis.....                       | 2  | Neuralgia of face.....          | 1  |
| Contusion and sprain of leg.....            | 1  | Opium habit.....                | 1  |
| Diarrhœa.....                               | 7  | Phthisis.....                   | 23 |
| Derangement of liver.....                   | 6  | Paralysis.....                  | 6  |
| Dysentery, chronic.....                     | 5  | Piece bitten off lip.....       | 1  |
| Delirium tremens and attempted suicide..... | 1  | Pleurisy.....                   | 1  |
| Delirium tremens.....                       | 2  | Poison.....                     | 1  |
| Dropsy of chest.....                        | 3  | Profuse epistaxis.....          | 1  |
| Epilepsy.....                               | 2  | Rheumatism.....                 | 3  |
| Eczema of leg.....                          | 2  | Chronic rheumatism.....         | 2  |
| Erysipelas.....                             | 2  | St. Vitus dance.....            | 1  |
| Epileptic fits.....                         | 3  | Stricture.....                  | 2  |
| Fracture of scapula.....                    | 1  | Syphilis.....                   | 2  |
| General debility.....                       | 1  | Typhoid fever.....              | 1  |
| Heart disease.....                          | 10 | Tumor.....                      | 1  |
|   |    | Varicose veins.....             | 2  |

The percentage of men treated in hospital and quarters has been somewhat less than preceding year, owing probably to strict attention to sanitary regulations and drainage.

Whole number cared for, 1,167; deaths, 40; percentage, 3.46 against 3½ for preceding year and 1.36 for the six months ending June 30, 1879.

## Died during the year, '10, of the following diseases:

|   |   |                                    |             |
|---|---|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Alcoholism .....                          | 1 | Inflammation hip joint .....       | 1           |
| Asthma .....                              | 1 | Inflammation bladder .....         | 1           |
| Bright's disease .....                    | 5 | Organic diseases of heart .....    | 1           |
| Cancer .....                              | 1 | Peritonitis .....                  | 1           |
| Diarrhœa .....                            | 1 | Phthisis .....                     | 12          |
| Diarrhœa, chronic .....                   | 2 | Result of run over .....           | 1           |
| Dysentery, chronic .....                  | 1 | Syphilis .....                     | 1           |
| General debility and old age .....        | 1 | While on furlough, cause unknown.. | 8           |
| Heart disease .....                       | 1 |                                    |             |
| Number having received pensions .....     |   |                                    | 584         |
| Total amount pension money received ..... |   |                                    | \$73,719 10 |
| Retained by Home .....                    |   |                                    | 12,840 21   |
| Remitted to dependents .....              |   |                                    | 19,462 80   |
| Still held by Home .....                  |   |                                    | 14,517 26   |

## Number of mechanics employed, expenditures, and value of labor.

| Shops or trades.                 | Number employed. | Expenditures. | Products. | Profit.  | Loss. | Net gain |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|----------|
| Blacksmith shop .....            | 2                | \$355 40      | \$463 85  | \$108 45 |       |          |
| Carpenter shop .....             | 8                | 1,500 68      | 1,623 75  | 123 07   |       |          |
| Paint shop .....                 | 6                | 464 72        | 479 18    | 14 46    |       |          |
| Plumbing shop .....              | 1                | 98 71         | 130 25    | 31 54    |       |          |
| Shoe shop .....                  | 2                | 332 00        | 404 22    | 72 16    |       |          |
| Soap shop .....                  | 1                | 580 52        | 743 03    | 162 51   |       |          |
| Tailor shop .....                | 1                | 85 45         | 85 45     |          |       |          |
| Tin shop .....                   | 1                | 180 67        | 204 30    | 23 63    |       |          |
| Bricklayers and plasterers ..... | 6                | 281 12        | 281 12    |          |       |          |
| Total .....                      | 28               | 3,879 33      | 4,415 15  | 535 82   |       | \$535 82 |

## Product of farm.

| Articles.             | Quantity.    | To subsistence, value. | To stable, value. | Total value. |
|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Asparagus .....       | bushels 6    | \$12 00                |                   |              |
| Beans, string .....   | barrels 4    | 8 00                   |                   |              |
| Beets .....           | bushels 140½ | 74 75                  |                   |              |
| Cabbages .....        | barrels 147  | 134 25                 |                   |              |
| Carrots .....         | bushels 17   | 8 10                   |                   |              |
| Corn, green .....     | dozen 1,211  | 90 42                  |                   |              |
| Greens .....          | barrels 108  | 42 00                  |                   |              |
| Kale .....            | do. 63       | 63 00                  |                   |              |
| Lettuce .....         | do. 9        | 9 00                   |                   |              |
| Parsnips .....        | do. 44       | 42 25                  |                   |              |
| Pease .....           | do. 21       | 31 50                  |                   |              |
| Potatoes, Irish ..... | do. 106      | 190 50                 |                   |              |
| Potatoes, sweet ..... | do. 127      | 141 00                 |                   |              |
| Radishes .....        | bushels 8½   | 5 80                   |                   |              |
| Spinach .....         | barrels 45   | 30 75                  |                   |              |
| Tomatoes .....        | bushels 46   | 23 00                  |                   |              |
| Turnips .....         | barrels 65   | 56 25                  |                   |              |
| Clover .....          | acres 6      |                        | \$120 00          |              |
| Corn fodder .....     | do. 5        |                        | 120 00            |              |
| Grass .....           | do. 2½       |                        | 41 25             |              |
| Mangold .....         | barrels 219  |                        | 160 00            |              |
| Eye, feed .....       | acres 2      |                        | 40 00             |              |
| Total .....           |              | 962 57                 | 490 00            | \$1,452 82   |

Profits, none.

Number of inmates employed for pay, 251; amount paid for service or labor, \$18,466.43.

|                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of volumes in library ..... | 3,200 |
| Increase during the year .....     | 509   |
| Daily newspapers .....             | 30    |
| Weekly papers .....                | 100   |
| Magazines, &c. ....                | 12    |
| Books issued .....                 | 6,763 |

The above are mostly English, a number German, and a few French. There is no school at this branch.

Religious services are held regularly. Catholic weekly, and Protestant every Sunday, alternately by clergymen of three denominations—Baptist, Methodist, and Episcopal; the ministrations of all are highly valued.

In addition to the usual games provided—billiards, boating, bagatelle, cards, dominoes, &c.—there have been given 106 entertainments, concerts, lectures, and dramatic.

Respectfully submitted.

P. T. WOODFIN,  
*Governor and Treasurer.*

*Annual report for Southern Branch, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, for year ending June 30, 1881.*

## GAIN.

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Admitted .....    | 213 |
| Readmitted .....  | 76  |
| Transferred ..... | 52  |
| Total .....       | 341 |

## LOSS.

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Honorably discharged .....    | 108 |
| Dishonorably discharged ..... | 21  |
| Transferred .....             | 49  |
| Deserted .....                | 45  |
| Died .....                    | 40  |
| Total .....                   | 263 |

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Total present .....                                 | 706   |
| Total present last report .....                     | 671   |
| Total present and absent .....                      | 906   |
| Total present and absent last report .....          | 828   |
| Whole number cared for during year .....            | 1,167 |
| Whole number cared for during previous year .....   | 1,106 |
| Average number present during year .....            | 701   |
| Average number present and absent during year ..... | 864   |

## WHAT WAR.

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| War 1861 .....    | 1,076 |
| Mexican war ..... | 90    |
| War 1812 .....    | 1     |

## WHAT SERVICE.

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Volunteers ..... | 1,059 |
| Regulars .....   | 76    |
| Navy .....       | 32    |

## AGE.

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| 30 to 40 ..... | 282 |
| 40 to 50 ..... | 304 |

|   |     |
|---|-----|
| 50 to 60 .....                              | 396 |
| 60 to 80 .....                              | 160 |
| 80 to 100 .....                             | 25  |
| Married, with wives and minor children..... | 409 |

## NATIONALITY.

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Native born.....  | 476 |
| Foreign born..... | 691 |

## OCCUPATION.

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Farmers .....    | 75  |
| Mechanics .....  | 521 |
| Laborers.....    | 395 |
| Professions..... | 176 |

## DISABILITY.

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Loss of limbs ..... | 68  |
| Wounds .....        | 462 |
| Sickness .....      | 623 |
| Blindness .....     | 14  |

## HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Treated in hospital.....                       | 164    |
| Treated in quarters .....                      | 1, 089 |
| Total number insane .....                      | 9      |
| Died in hospital.....                          | 32     |
| Died on furlough.....                          | 8      |
| Proportion of deaths to number cared for ..... | 3. 42  |

## NUMBER OF INMATES EMPLOYED AT TRADES IN THE HOME.

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Blacksmith-shop .....         | 2 |
| Carpenter-shop .....          | 8 |
| Harness-shop .....            | 1 |
| Paint-shop .....              | 6 |
| Plumbing and gas-fitting..... | 2 |
| Shoe-shop .....               | 1 |
| Soap-shop .....               | 1 |
| Tailor's shop .....           | 1 |
| Tin-shop.....                 | 1 |

## PENSIONS.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Total number of pensioners.....               | 584          |
| Amount received .....                         | \$73, 719 10 |
| Paid to families .....                        | 19, 462 80   |
| Amount retained for any purpose by Home ..... | 12, 840 20   |

## MANUFACTURES.

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Manufactures .....                  | \$343 21 |
| Inmates under pay during year ..... | 251      |

## LIBRARY.

|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Number of books in library..... | 3, 200 |
| Number of daily papers .....    | 30     |
| Number of weekly papers .....   | 100    |
| Number of magazines, &c .....   | 12     |
| Number of books issued .....    | 6, 763 |
| Number of books purchased ..... | 87     |

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| Total expenditures .....                   | \$104, 984 08 |
| Cost of construction and repairs .....     | 8, 997 06     |
| Expenses less construction and repair..... | 95, 987 02    |

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Average cost of keeping each inmate, exclusive of cost of clothing ..... | \$128 34  |
| Cost of daily ration, \$0 20.40.   |           |
| Total cost of commissary supplies.....                                   | 53,451 31 |
| Gross sales of Home store.....   | 16,767 24 |
| Net profit of Home store .....   | 7,700 58  |
| Amount of fines and forfeitures .....                                    | 1,187 00  |
| Amount expended for amusements .....                                     | 4,392 05  |
|  | <hr/>     |
| Number of entertainments given.....                                      | 106       |

P. T. WOODFIN,  
Governor.

*The National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, Southern Branch.—Consolidated post return for the year ending June 30, 1881.*

## PRESENT.

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Commissioned officers..... | 2   |
| Enlisted men .....         | 639 |
| In hospital:               |     |
| Sick .....                 | 47  |
| Blind and helpless.....    | 18  |
| Total present:             |     |
| Commissioned officers..... | 2   |
| Enlisted men .....         | 704 |

## ABSENT.

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| With leave:                 |       |
| Enlisted men .....          | 185   |
| Without leave:              |       |
| Enlisted men .....          | 15    |
| Total absent:               |       |
| Enlisted men .....          | 200   |
| Total present and absent:   |       |
| Commissioned officers.....  | 2     |
| Enlisted men .....          | 904   |
|                             | <hr/> |
| Aggregate .....             | 906   |
| Aggregate last return ..... | 828   |
| Gain during the year .....  | 341   |
| Loss during the year .....  | 263   |
|                             | <hr/> |
| Net gain .....              | 78    |

I certify the above return to be correct.

P. T. WOODFIN,  
Governor.

Table exhibiting the average number of beneficiaries present, absent, and sick, the total gain and loss from all causes, the number present and absent on November 30 each year, and the whole number of beneficiaries cared for during each year since the establishment of Southern Branch, including June 30, 1879, six months of fiscal year, and to and including the year ending June 30, 1881.

| Year ending June 30— | Average number present and absent during each year. | Average number present during each year. | Average number in hospital sick, and attendance during each year. | Average number absent with leave during each year. | Average number absent without leave during each year. | Gain each year. |                 |                                  |                           |             | Loss during each year. |                            |                                |  |           |               | Total number present and absent November 30 each year; December 31, and to June 30, 1879, 6 months; and to June 30, 1881. | Whole number of beneficiaries cared for during each year, and for 6 months to June 30, 1879, and to June 30, 1881. |             |
|----------------------|---|--|---|--|---|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------|---------------|---|--|-------------|
|                      |   |  |   |  |   | By admission.   | By readmission. | By transfer from other branches. | By return from desertion. | Total gain. | By discharge.          | By dishonorable discharge. | By transfer to other branches. | By transfer to Government Insane Asylum. | By death. | By desertion. |   |  | Total loss. |
| 1871                 | 148   | 130                                      | 34  | 23   | 5   | 206             | 38              | 80                               |                           | 324         | 26                     | 14                         | 5                              | 1  | 12        | 3             | 61  | 261  | 324         |
| 1872                 | 316   | 265                                      | 47  | 39   | 9   | 145             | 54              | 46                               |                           | 275         | 26                     | 13                         | 18                             |  | 18        | 16            | 151   | 371  | 538         |
| 1873                 | 373   | 317                                      | 116   | 60   | 13  | 131             | 58              | 58                               |                           | 247         | 87                     | 24                         | 52                             | 12                                       | 19        | 42            | 226   | 413  | 627         |
| 1874                 | 504   | 420                                      | 127   | 99   | 10  | 212             | 96              | 23                               |                           | 391         | 60                     | 28                         | 52                             | 4  | 24        | 58            | 236   | 586  | 824         |
| 1875                 | 572   | 472                                      | 135   | 75   | 12  | 176             | 57              | 43                               |                           | 276         | 102                    | 31                         | 57                             | 5  | 32        | 51            | 278   | 536  | 851         |
| 1876                 | 624   | 506                                      | 140   | 88   | 14  | 154             | 91              | 50                               |                           | 295         | 60                     | 23                         | 45                             | 4  | 61        | 36            | 331   | 629  | 891         |
| 1877                 | 667   | 551                                      | 163   | 92   | 12  | 183             | 83              | 51                               | 3                         | 320         | 68                     | 10                         | 49                             | 3  | 31        | 31            | 192   | 729  | 958         |
| 1878*                | 743   | 623                                      | 96  | 116  | 10  | 187             | 62              | 64                               | 1                         | 314         | 103                    | 12                         | 58                             | 5  | 28        | 20            | 236   | 792  | 1,070       |
| 1879*                | 809   | 673                                      | 47  | 140  | 6   | 77              | 28              | 30                               | 1                         | 136         | 45                     | 28                         | 33                             | 6  | 13        | 12            | 137   | 830  | 955         |
| 1880                 | 818   | 673                                      | 63  | 150  | 7   | 156             | 74              | 50                               |                           | 280         | 110                    | 27                         | 55                             | 7  | 40        | 43            | 280   | 836  | 1,106       |
| 1881                 | 864   | 701                                      | 71  | 162  | 13  | 213             | 76              | 52                               |                           | 341         | 108                    | 21                         | 49                             | 2  | 40        | 45            | 265   | 906  | 1,167       |
| Total                |   |  |   |  |   | 1,840           | 747             | 607                              | 5                         | 3,199       | 855                    | 253                        | 471                            | 39                                       | 318       | 357           | 2,293   |  |             |

\* Six months.

I certify the foregoing report to be correct.

P. T. WOODFIN, Governor.