



# VETERAN ASSOCIATION

OF THE

## Thirteenth Reg't New Jersey Volunteers,

1862—1865.

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### FIFTEENTH REUNION,

HELD AT

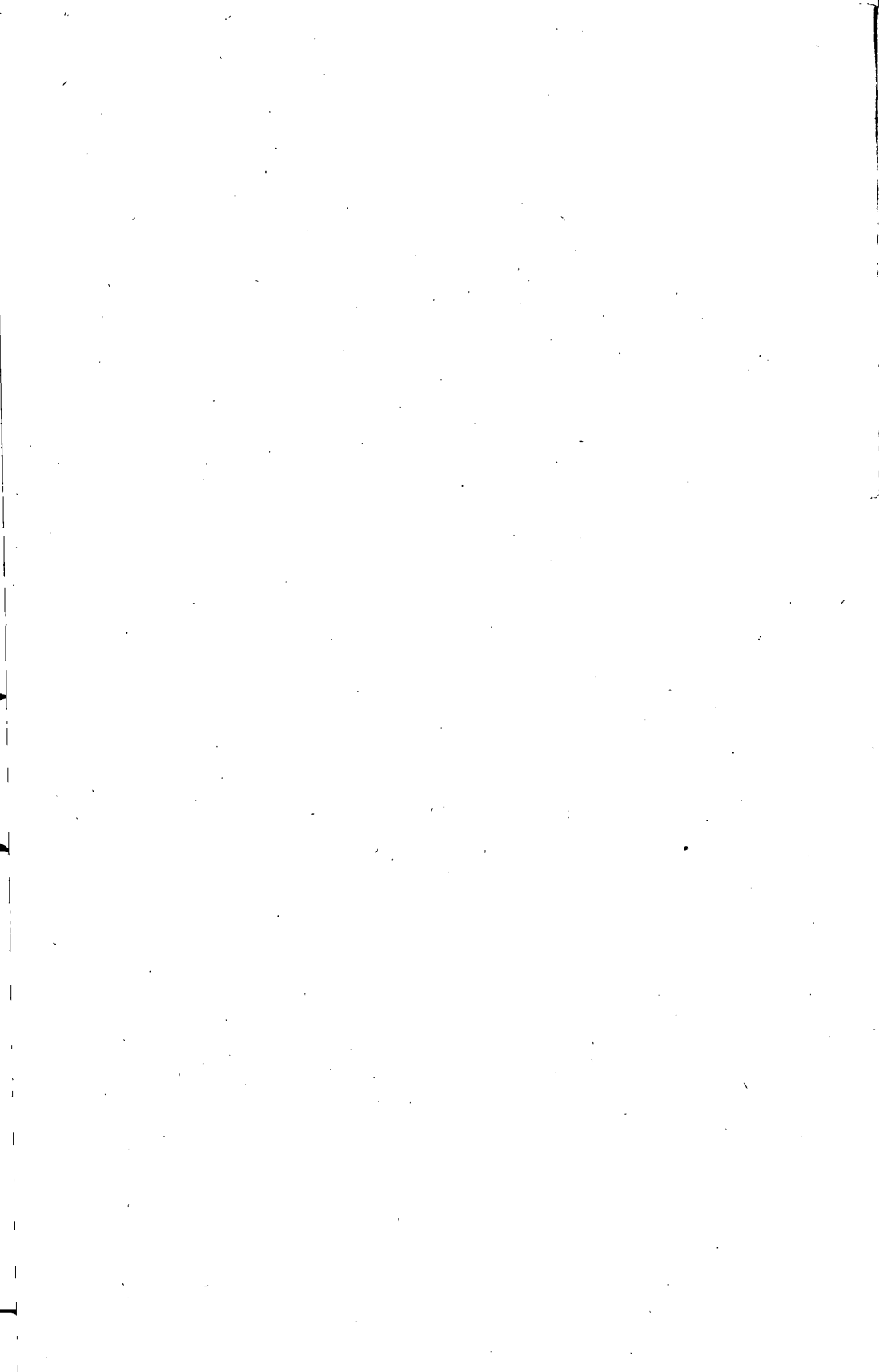
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Wednesday, September 19th, 1900.

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## FIFTEENTH REUNION.

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Accepting the generosity of Lincoln Post No 11, G. A. R. Department of New Jersey, the comrades of this Association, with their ladies and other guests, began to assemble in the handsome rooms of the Post soon after 1 P. M., when greetings were exchanged for the next two hours, and the guests then repaired to the parlors, while the comrades held their annual business meeting in the Post room.

### ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.

#### MINUTES.

At 3 P. M. President Crawford called the meeting to order: 78 members present.

The Chaplain, Rev. A. M. Harris, offered prayer.

Secretary Delano reported that the minutes of last annual meeting were printed, and a copy mailed to each comrade member in December last.

On motion, the reading of minutes was dispensed with at this time.

Secretary Delano reported the death of Comrade James B. Howatt, November 16, 1899.

Treasurer Garabrant read his report, as printed on the following page.

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## TREASURER'S REPORT.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance reported Oct. 12, 1899		\$131.82
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## DISBURSEMENTS.

Oct. 12, 1899, to August 2, 1900.		
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Paid for use punch bowl, etc. and lemonade at 14th reunion	5.00
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"    decorations, etc. at hall	2.90
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"    printing 150 Annual Reports	22.00
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"    large envelopes, postage stamps, etc.	5.23
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August 2, 1900 paid for printing notices to members for 15th Reunion, envelopes, etc.	10.75
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Paid for badges and dinner tickets, etc.	14.30
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Sept. 5, 1900, paid A. Delano, postage, public telephones,	6.00
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Sept 19, paid for telegram and cards	.67
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66.85
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Sept. 19, received for annual dues and initiation fees	79.00
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"    "    dinner tickets	32.00
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"    balance	\$175.97
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Before printing this report, Treasurer Garabrant made a supplementary report as follows:

## RECEIPTS.

Sept. 19, 3.15 P.M., balance reported		\$175.97
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"    received additional annual dues	16.00
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"    "    dinner tickets	24.00
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<u>40.00</u>
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215.97
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## DISBURSEMENTS:

Sept. 19 to Oct. 13, paid Jacoby for dinner	143.00
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"    "    "    for cigars	7.60
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"    "    "    menus and extra cards	3.50
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"    "    "    janitor, care of Post Room	2.00
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<u>\$156.10</u>
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Oct. 13, 1900, balance on hand	\$59.87
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Election of members: James H. Clark of Company F, Harvey N. Dobbins of Company F, and John Varrick of Company C, were duly elected members.

On motion rules were suspended and opened under Rule No. 10.

Motion to make at this time certain proposed alterations in the by laws, to take effect at once, was lost; and on motion, meeting returned to the regular order of business; Rule No. 4.

President appointed as committee to propose place for next reunion: Ogden Foxcroft, Washington R. Russell, Daniel F. Shea, Jacob White, and Grant A. Wheeler.

Under Rule 6, Comrade J. O. Smith made verbal report, for the Executive Committee, of arrangements for the evening.

Under Rule 8, Comrade Foxcroft reported for committee on selection of place for next reunion; that the committee unanimously propose Jersey City.

Report was received and accepted and committee discharged.

President appointed as Executive Committee for next reunion:

Daniel F. Shea	174 Newark Ave. Jersey City, N. J.
Andrew Jackson	57 Brinckerhoff St. " " "
John Grimes	Snake Hill " " "
Jacob White	258 Hamilton Ave. Paterson, "
Grant A. Wheeler	131 Steuben St. East Orange, "

Comrade James E. Sloan reported verbally that the committee appointed Sept. 16, 1896 to take some action toward getting a regimental monument at Antietam, had not yet found action feasible.

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The President appointed James O. Smith to fill the vacancy on the committee made by the death of George A. Beardsley; the committee now being:

John C. Stanfield	Haledon P. O., Paterson, N. J.
James O. Smith	54 Burnett St. Newark, "
Jacob White	258 Hamilton Ave. Paterson, "
George W. Lawrence	33 Summit St. Newark, "
Washington R. Russell	231 Washington St. Newark, "

Election of Officers:

Geo. W. Lawrence was elected President.

Gilbert O. Lytle elected Vice-President.

James E. Garabrant re-elected Treasurer.

A. Delano re-elected Recording Secretary.

S. M. Hulin re-elected Corresponding Sec'y and Historian.

Rev. E. L. Allen elected Chaplain.

Resolved. That the heartfelt thanks of this Association are due and hereby extended to Lincoln Post No. 11, G. A. R., Dept. of N. J., for the generous use of its Post rooms and parlors to-day.

Comrade Edmondson exhibited a beautiful memento which he had arranged and prepared, composed from a relic of the U. S. Ship Maine, handsomely framed; and desired that it be presented to Judge Amzi Dodd, in the name of this Association.

The President appointed Charles Edmondson, Grant A. Wheeler and George W. Lawrence a committee to make the presentation.

At 4 P. M. President declared a recess, when the comrades again enjoyed the time in sociable greetings in the Post room and parlors until six P. M., when the whole assemblage of comrades and guests proceeded in a body to "Jacoby's" for dinner. Comrade Rev. E. L. Allen invoked the divine

blessing. After dinner and the coffee and cigars were served, the President called to order and read the following authentic record of the Thirteenth Regiment, from the archives of the War Department at Washington, D. C.

The Thirteenth New Jersey Volunteer Infantry was organized in response to President Lincoln's call of July 7th, 1862; rendezvoused at Newark, N. J., during July and August, where it was mustered in August 25th, with Ezra A. Carman, Colonel; Robert S. Swords, Lieutenant Colonel; Samuel Chadwick, Major. Left the State August 31st, 1862, Served in Gordon's Brigade, 3rd Division, Banks' Old Corps until Sept. 6th, 1862. Gordon's Brigade, Williams' 1st Division 2nd Army Corps, Army of Virginia, from Sept. 6th, 1862. 3rd Brigade, 1st Division 12th Corps, Army of the Potomac from Sept. 1862 to Sept. 1863. Reserve Division Army of the Potomac from January 1st to February 5th, 1863. 3rd Brigade, 1st Division, 12 Corps, Department of the Cumberland, from Oct. 1863. 2nd Brigade, 1st Division 20th Corps, and Military Division of the Mississippi, from April, 1864. Left Wing Army of Georgia, from January, 1865.

#### SERVICE.

Reported at Washington, D. C., Sept, 2nd, 1862, to General Banks, commanding the Defenses and District of Washington; Fatigue duty on earthworks and rifle pits on Arlington Heights, near Fort Richardson, Sept. 2nd to 6th. Battle of South Mountain, Md., Sept. 14th. Battle of Antietam, Sept. 17th, in support of the 2nd Division near Dunker Church. Complemented by General Gordon, commanding the 1st Division, and by General Greene, commanding the 2nd Division. Duty on Maryland Heights, Sept. 23rd to 30th, and picket near Shepherdstown and Sharps-

burg, Oct. 30th to Dec. 10th. Advanced to near Dumfries, Va., Dec. 10 and 16th. Duty at Fairfax Station until Dec. 26th. Operating near Wolf Run Shoals and the Occoquan River until January 20th, 1863. Camped at Stafford Court House from Jan. 26th to April 27th. Chancellorsville Campaign, April 27th to May 6th. Position on Plank Road near Chancellorsville, April 30th. Battle of Chancellorsville May 1st to 3rd. Moved to near the Chancellor House under fire of the enemy's artillery May 3rd. Held entrenchments at Scott's Dam May 3rd to 5th.

Marched from Stafford Court House to Gettysburg, Pa. June 13th to July 1st. Battle of Gettysburg, Pa., July 1st to 3rd. Supported Battery M, 1st N. Y. Light Artillery, July 1st. Reconnoissance on right flank with 2nd Cavalry Division, July 3rd. Pursuit of the enemy, July 7th to 31st. Duty at Kelly's Ford until Sept. 17th and at Raccoon Ford, Rapidan River, to Sept. 24th. Moved to Stephenson, Ala. Sept. 27th to Oct. 3rd. Duty at Tullahoma and Elk River Oct. 5th to 23d. Guard on Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad at Bellbuckle, Tullahoma, Normandy and Duck River Bridge until April 26th, 1864. Expedition to Mulberry, Tenn., Jan. 30th to Feb. 11th 1864. Campaign in Northern Georgia from May 4th, 1864. Operations at Rocky Face Ridge, May 8th to 11th. Battle of Resaca, May 13th to 15th, Cassville May 19th, Dallas May 25th. Skirmish near Picket's Mills June 2d. Battle of Kenesaw Mountain, June 11th to July 2d. Action at Pine Knob June 16th. Muddy Creek and Marietta, June 17th. Noyes' Creek, June 18th. Battle of Kulp's Farm June 22nd. Supported Battery E, Pennsylvania Light Artillery during the Action on Kenesaw June 27. Nickajack Creek and Chattahoochie River, July 4th to 17th. Nancy's Creek July 18th. Battle of Peach Tree Creek July 20th. Siege of Atlanta July 22nd to Sept. 2nd.

Dislodged the pickets on the brigade front and burned the buildings, July 27th. Advance of the picket line to the burnt houses under a heavy fire, July 30th. Occupation of Atlanta, Sept. 2nd. Expedition to Flat Shoals, Oct. 11th to 14th and Oct. 22nd to 24th and to Turner's Ferry Nov. 9th. Sherman's March to the Sea Nov. 15th to Dec. 10th. Action at Buffalo Creek near Sandersville, Nov. 26th. Skirmishes near Savannah Dec. 6th and 9th. Siege and capture of Savannah Dec. 10th to 21st. Reconnoissance from Beach Hill, S. C. to Eleysdale Creek, Dec. 20th and under fire of artillery and gun boats, Dec. 20th. Detached with Lockman's Provisional Brigade at Warren Square, Savannah, Ga. Jan 14th to 16th, 1865. Duty with trains, Jan. 17th to Feb. 10th. Skirmish near Chesterfield C. H. March 2nd. Battle of Averysboro, March 16th. Bentonville, March 19th to 21st. Duty near Goldsborough March 24th to Apr. 10th, and near Raleigh until Apr. 29. Marched to Washington, D. C. Apr. 30th to May 19th. Those not entitled to be mustered out transferred to 33rd N. J. Inf. June 1st. Remainder mustered out June 8th, 1865.

President Crawford commented on the record, calling attention to the fact shown by it, that the three years' service "was not in any sense a picnic."

The Harmonic Quartette, Messrs. Pollard, Resslerand, Prouty and Grogan, sang with fine effect, "We meet, we meet again, boys," Mr. Silas Kinney, pianist.

Secretary Delano read a number of letters from honorary members and absent comrades unable to be present at the reunion.

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Trenton, N. J., Sept. 4, 1900.

A. DELANO, Recording Secretary,

Dear Sir :

It would give me the greatest pleasure to be with you on Wednesday, the 19th, at the reunion of the veterans of the Thirteenth Regiment. If my health will allow, I will try to be with you sometime during the day. I thank you for the very courteous invitation.

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM S. STRYKER,

Adjutant General.

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Orange, N. J., Sept. 4, 1900.

A. DELANO, Secretary,

My Dear Sir :

It will give me much pleasure to again attend the reunion of the Thirteenth Regiment on the 19th inst. at Newark, and I therefore accept your kind invitation to be present.

Very respectfully,

W. FREEMAN.

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Newark, N. J., Sept. 7, 1900.

A. DELANO, Secretary.

Dear Sir:

I have your very kind note of 4th inst., inviting me to be present at your annual reunion on the 19th inst. in this city. I beg to tender yourself and your comrades my sincere thanks for this invitation and to assure you that it will give me great pleasure to attend if it is at all possible.

Yours very truly,

JAMES N. DUFFY.

Newark, Sept. 15, 1900.

A. DELANO, Recording Sec'y,

MY DEAR MR, DELANO .

Your very kind letter inviting me to attend the fifteenth annual reunion of the Veteran Association was duly received and I return you my sincere thanks for it.

I have delayed answering till now on account of the uncertainty whether it would be feasible for me to attend, and now write to express my regret that I shall not be able to do so.

With most cordial good wishes for yourself and fellow veterans,

I am yours truly,

AMZI DODD.

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Elizabeth, N. J., Sept. 17, 1900.

A. DELANO, Recording Secretary,

My Dear Sir :

Please express my thanks to the veterans of the Thirteenth Regiment for their renewed kindness in bidding me again to their banquet; and wish them for me continued good health and prosperity.

Faithfully yours,

W. H. CORBIN.

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Brooklyn, L. I., Sept., 1900.

JAMES E. GARABRANT,

Dear Comrade :

The world is so full of young and active heroes in these times, the daily papers so crowded with stories of gallant acts, and thrilling tales of heroic struggle, awful carnage, or

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frightful suffering from the *present* fields of war, that the aging "vets" of thirty-eight years ago are in danger of being jostled out of the procession, and the lustre of their deeds becoming somewhat obscured.

I regret that I cannot join the "Old 13th" to-night as they renew the splendid memories of those days when *we too* fought for the "grand old flag."

Our regiment took the field in perhaps the darkest hour of our country's history.

Thank God, who helped us to be faithful to our duty in her extremity, and who has permitted so many of us to live to see this day of her triumphant grandeur as *reunited* she advances in magnificent power to the foremost position among the nations of the Earth.

Yours sincerely,

COMRADE S. DUNCAN.

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Nortonville, Kas. Sept. 12, 1900

A. DELANO, Secretary,

Dear Comrade :

Your notice of the Annual Reunion of the Veteran Association to be held on the 19th inst. at Newark, and invitation to be present is received.

I regret to say, while it would afford me extreme pleasure to shake hands in an all around jollification reunion with our "boys" once more, I must forego the pleasure this time.

But I shall *think* of you all just the same while you may be reclining in each others' embrace on that evening. Bear to them all my warmest fraternal regards.

Trusting that your gathering may be a very joyful one

I am very sincerely, your Old Comrade,

J. HOWARD TITSWORTH.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 14, 1900.

S. MORRIS HULIN, Cor. Sec'y.

Dear Comrade :

Notice of the 15th annual reunion of my gallant old regiment is before me. There is no call I would be pleased more to answer than the call of my commanding officers, especially when the commanding officers are the Executive Committee of the Veteran Association. The older I grow the more my heart yearns for the privilege of joining hand with the young-old boys of the Thirteenth, and sing "Auld Lang Syne."

May this feast bring back to you only the pleasant memories of the past, and create among you renewed youth and an assurance of many more reunions.

Sincerely yours,

JAS. B. WILDE.

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After the letters had been read Mr. Frank Krueger recited "The Ship of Faith."

Comrade James O. Smith, President of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Newark, made an address in his usual humorous manner. He related a number of occasions during the three years' service of the regiment when those who were able to be on duty *did have* what they then considered "regular picnics" for awhile.

The Harmonic Quartette sang "The Bugle Call of Gettysburg," followed by "The Tar's Farewell."

Mr. Krueger recited "My Italian Friend's Experience."

Captain George M. Hard being called for responded, saying that the lateness of the hour precluded any extended

address. He alluded to the great pleasure he always felt in meeting his former comrades and congratulated them on their success in keeping up the social features of their reunions.

The Harmonic Quartette sang "Speed the Republic."

Comrade Thomas R. Devor sang "The Evergreen Shore," the audience joining heartily in the chorus.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association are due to the Executive Committee. and that they be now discharged.

Adjourned.

A. DELANO,

Recording Secretary.

## Officers of the Association,

Sept., 1900—Sept., 1901.

GEO. W. LAWRENCE, President,	Address, 33 Summit St., Newark, N. J.
GILBERT O. LYTLE, Vice President,	“ 683½ Market St., “ “
JAS. E. GARABRANT, Treasurer,	“ Cor. Springfield and 13th Ave. Newark, N. J.
ALBERT DELANO, Recording Secretary,	“ 173 Clinton Ave., “ “
S. M. HULIN, Cor. Sec'y and Historian,	“ Bloomfield, N. J.
REV. E. LIVINGSTON ALLEN, Chaplain,	“ Cape May Court House, N. J.