

Vineland, N.J. Jan. 10th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - January 10th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent – comrades Strong and McMahan.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved as corrected.

G.O. – No. 6, Dept. of N.J. was read and ordered filed.

Committee – on the application of Wm. E. Norris reported unfavorable.

Motion – was made & 2nd, to accept the report of said above committee, & they be discharged. Carried.

RECESS – for five minutes – to settle with the Q.M. - Post proceeded to regular business.

Committee – “special” for the Camp Fire reported progress

Committee – to collect the names of all the old soldiers residing in Vineland. A long list of names have been
Collected thus far.

Motion – was made & 2nd, to accept the above report of said committee & that the committee be continued.

Comrade – Hicks was reported sick.

Motion – was made & 2nd, to invite the ladies that took part in our drama to the Camp Fire Supper and that
The post send a conveyance to convey the ___?___ from the Camp Fire. It was not carried.

Motion – was made & 2nd, to have a music committee appointed to procure music for the Camp Fire. Carried.

Commander – appointed Comrades Cheever, Swing and Rowel (?) to act on said committee.

Motion – was made & 2nd, to have a special encampment on Saturday evening Jan. 20th, to transact such
business that may come before the post. Carried.

Motion – was made & 2nd, to wear our uniforms to the Camp Fire without belts and the comrades that do
Not got uniforms yet, to wear a rosette made of red, white & blue ribbons. Carried.

Comrade – Rowel made a few remarks for the good of the order.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

Thos. B. Ross, Adjutant

Vineland, N.J. Jan. 20th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - January 20th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent – Comrades Capen, Strong, Gifford and Baker.

Minutes – No minutes read.

Communication – Mr. A.W. Purcell was read and ordered filed.

Committee – on tables for the Camp Fire Supper reported progress.

Comrade – Aldrich asked to be relieved from the chairpersonship of the decoration committee. So ordered.

Comrade – Hicks was reported improving from his late illness.

Committee – on provisions for the Camp Fire Supper – reported progress.

Comrade – Lord offered a resolution to suspend that part of the Rules & Bylaws that pertain to initiation Fees, so as to allow the post to muster in recruits for one dollar. As it now is. Also that the said Section or sections of the Rules & Bylaws of this post shall be suspended for four months from The date of its adoption. The resolution was ordered to be reduced to writing and filed with The Adjutant which was complied with.

There being no further business, the post was closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Feb. 7th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - February 7th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - None.

Minutes - of the last regular and special encampment were read and approved.

Application - of Stephen F. Hamilton was received and referred to Comrades Swing, Green and Old.

Communication - from Samuel Hefty, Esq. Gen., The commander of the Dept. of N.J., was read and
Ordered filed

Communications - also from Post No. 2 & one from Post 10 both of Phila., were read & ordered filed.

Camp Fire - Committee. - Comrade Gifford reported that the total expenses are \$10.75.

Motion - was made & 2nd, to accept the report of said above committee and that it be continued. Carried.

Committee - on music for the Camp Fire Supper made a special report.

Motion - was made & 2nd, to accept the report of the music committee and that said above
committee be continued. So Carried.

Motion - was mad & 2nd, to draw an order on the Q.M. for \$2.00 to pay for the rent of the hall. Carried.

Motion - was also made & 2nd, to draw an order on the Q.M. for \$5.00 in favor of Comrade Hicks
Which was carried.

Motion - was made & carried to appoint a committee of 3 to work up the auxiliary question. Carried.

Commander - appointed Comrades Capen, White and Green to act on said above committee.

Motion - was made & 2nd, to appoint a committee of 3 to investigate the "Sugaring" (?) off question
And that they report at our next regular encampment. So carried.

Commander - then appointed Comrades Aldrich, Bingham and White on said above committee.

Motion - was made & 2nd, to meet at 7:15 PM at our next regular encampment. Carried.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Feb. 21st, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - February 21st, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent – None.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and appointed.

Communication – from Samuel Hefty Esq., S.V.C., Dept. of N.J., was read and ordered filed.

Motion- was moved & 2nd, to suspend the regular rules of the post to receive applications. So Carried.

Application – of Thos. W. Conaway was received read & referred to a committee of Comrades Lord, Singleton and Verder. The committee reported favorable, the report was received, committee Discharged & candidate balloted for and elected.

Application – of Stephen F. Hamilton reported favorable, the report was received, committee Discharged & candidate balloted for and elected.

Motion – moved & 2nd, to donate Thos. W. Conaway his initiation fee. So Carried.
Stephen F. Hamilton – being present was mustered in, in due form.

Motion – made & 2nd, that Comrade Singleton be appointed a committee of one to wait upon Mr. Thos. W. Conaway, to ask his attendance for muster, if convient. So carried.

Committee – on the auxiliary question reported progress.

Committee – On fencing for the G.A.R. lot in Sialoam Cemetery, reported progress.

Committee – on Camp Fire Supper made a report

Motion – made & 2nd, to accept the report and the said committee be continued. So carried.

Committee – on the music for the Camp Fire made a final report, which was rec'd & committee discharged.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to accept the amendments to the Rules & regulations to reduce the initiation fee to one dollar for the space of four months from its adoption. Not Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the post shall hold a “Maple Sugar Party, as soon as possible. Carried.

Motion – was made & 2nd, to have a committee of 3 appointed to make arrangements for the party. Carried.

P.C. – appointed Comrades Aldrich, White & Bingham on said committee.

Comrade – Bingham asked to be excused from setting on said committee, the P.C. did not consider his reasons Sufficient to excuse him, so therefore he was retained on the committee.

Comrade – Lord read the first chapter of his address for the Good of the Order, which was listened to with great Interest. He promised to give his second chapter at our next encampment.

Candidate – Thos. W. Conaway having arrived, was mustered in due form.

Report – of the receipts of the post Q.M. for the evening was \$1.00.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. March 7th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - March 7th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent – Comrades Gifford and Burge.

Minutes – of the regular encampment were read and approved.

G.O. – No.6 & No. 2 - from H.Q. – 920 Walnut St., Phila. From Dept. H.Q. of N.J.. Read & ordered filed.

Committee – on the auxiliary corps reported progress

Committee – on the Maple Sugar Party reported progress

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the report of the Maple Sugar Party be accepted. It was carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to have an order drawn on the Q.M. for \$2.00 to pay the rent of the hall. Carried.

Motion- it was moved & 2nd, that when we adjourn, that we meet at 7:45 PM on the night of our next regular encampment. Carried.

Motion- was moved & 2nd, that there be a committee of 3 appointed to draw up a resolution of condolence to Comrades Herring and Cheever for the death of a beloved member of each of their families. Carried.

P.C. – appointed Comrades White, Vaughn & Lord to act on said above committee

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the committee on cooking be authorized to buy a platter of the same size, kind & quality as the one that was last. Or as near the same as can be procured & present the bill to the post. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that our P.C. be authorized to procure the grass seeds for the G.A.R. lots in Sialoam Cemetery. So Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to postpone the 1 lb. Package, for our own entertainment. Carried.

Comrade – Conaway made a few remarks for the good of the order, which was listened to with great interest.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that comrade Lord be asked to get up steam for N.J.>. Which was unanimously carried.

Report – of post Q.M. – receipts for the evening - \$2.00.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. March 21st, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. – March 21st, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades Parson and Burge.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved.

Committee – on resolutions & condolences reported progress

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to accept the report of said above committee, & they be discharged. Carried.

Committee – on Auxiliary corps reported progress which was accepted & that it be continued.

Committee – on Sugar Party reported progress

Report - by Comrade Gifford, chairman of the Camp Fire Committee made a full report.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that then report of said committee be accepted and they be discharged. The
Thanks of the post are extended to said committee for the faithful discharge of their duties. Carried.

Comrade – A.J. Parsons – reported sick

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to hold our Sugar Party next Wednesday evening March 28th, at Cosmopolitan Hall. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the committee be authorized to procure 400 biscuits for the Sugar Party. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the committee be authorized to use their own discretion in procuring more biscuits
As they think proper. So Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to refer the Blue Glass question to the committee on programs. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that Comrade Washburn be appointed Post Bugler. So Carried.

Comrade – Lord read the 3rd, chapter of his history of the 6th, Mass. Vol. (Regt.), which was as interesting as
The two preceding ones.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to extend to Comrade Lord the thanks of the post for the three very interesting
entertainment's that he has given us. Unanimously carried.

Report – of the Q.M. –

Receipts – for the evening = \$1.50.

There being no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. March 31st, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - March 31st, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades Gifford and Lord.

Minutes – No Minutes were read.

Committee – on arranging for the Sugar Party reported progress.

Comrade – Capen asked to be excused from acting on the singing committee. He asked to resign in favor of Comrade Baker, which was accepted.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to have a committee of 5 to wait upon the tables. So Carried.

Comrade – Capen, Gutterson, McMahan, Palmer and Vaughn were appointed on said committee.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the comrades of the post pay for their tickets to the entertainment and for The Sugar tickets also. So Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the comrades should wear their uniforms without belts and those that did Not have uniforms wear a rosette of red, white & blue. So Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the committee of arrangements be instructed to order 400 biscuits for the Sugar party, if the weather looked favorable, if not only order 200. So Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$2.00 to pay for the rent of the hall for The month of March. So carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that a complimentary ticket be sent to Rev. & Mrs. Pittenger & Family to Attend our entertainment. So Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that Rev. Mr. Harrison be invited to attend our entertainment. So Carried.

Comrade – Lord asked for permission to resign the office of Chaplain in favor of Comrade Conway.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the resignation of Comrade Lord be laid over and that our P.C. and S.V.C. be a committee to wait upon Comrade Conway to see if he would accept the position.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to decline taking any action in the circular in regards to the drama there in mentioned. So carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that we invite our wives and all soldiers widows to meet with us four weeks From next Wednesday night to form an auxiliary corps. So carried.

There being no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. April 18th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. – April 18th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent – Comrade Burge.

Minutes – of the last regular & special encampment were read and approved.

G.O. – No. – 3 & 7 were read and ordered filed.

Application – J.S. Sanbers was received and referred to Comrades Hamilton, Swing & Flint.

Application – E.H. Foote was received and referred to Comrades Old, Lord and Cunningham.

Financial – Committee – in receipts from the Sugar Party made a full report.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the above report be accepted and the committee discharged. Carried.

Committee – appointed to confer with Comrade Conway in regards to his accepting the office of
Chaplain of the Post, report no progress.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$.75 in favor of Mr. Brown & Longham.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$2.00 for rent of the hall for April. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that a committee of 3 be appointed to make special arrangements for our
Decoration Day and to report at our next regular meeting.

Comrades – White, Hamilton and Swing were appointed to act on said committee/

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to authorized the O.D. to pass around the hat, to up a collection for the benefit of
Miss Reed for valuable services rendered to the post at our last Camp Fire. So Carried.

Money – received by the collection was \$1.50.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to have a Strawberry Festival. Was unanimously carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the original movers for the Strawberry Festival be appointed on that
Committee, and that Comrade Baker be added to said committee.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to amend above motion by adding Comrade White to said committee, accepted.

***Motion** – another motion was made & 2nd, to lay the amendment on the table, but it was lost.

****Motion** – the original motion with the amendment was put to a vote and unanimously carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to reconsider the motion in regards to inviting the ladies to visit our post at our
next regular encampment. So Carried.

Report – of the post Q.M. – receipts for the evening were balance left in the hands of the Q.M. from the Sugar
party - \$4.52, Dues - \$3.50 with a total of \$8.02.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

Thos. B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. May 2nd, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - May 2nd, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades Capen, Strong and Baker.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved.

G.O. - No. 8 from Head Quarters – Phila., was received, read and ordered filed.

Committee - on the application of J.S. Sanburn, reported favorably. The report was received and the committee was discharged. The candidate was balloted for and elected.

Committee - on the application of E.H. Foote, reported favorably. The report was received and the committee was discharged. The candidate was balloted for and elected.

Comrade – J.S. Sanburn being present, was mustered in, in due form.

Application – of Rev. J.B. Harrison was received and referred to Comrades White, Ross & Palmer.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that we donate Rev. Mr. J.B. Harrison his initiation fee. So Carried.

Committee – on decorations reported progress.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to accept the report of said committee & it be discharged. Carried.

Committee – on the Strawberry Festival reported progress.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to accept the report of said committee, and be discharged. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the committee on the Strawberry Festival be re-appointed

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that Comrade Baker be added to the committee. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, - **Committee** – of 5 be appointed to carry out the arrangements for Decoration Day.
Carried. Comrades Lord, Gifford, Flint, White & Swing were appointed.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the post accept the noble & generous offer of Comrade Flint to defray the expenses
Of the post in attending the Vineland Band concert. (An amendment was offered & accepted) That the
Post accept the generous offer with its most hearty thanks. Unanimously carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that Comrade Conways resolution be accepted, and the a committee be appointed to
Meet with the committee of citizens at the Baker house to help perfect the arrangements for transferring the
Old C__?-___, into a soldiers, sailors affairs home – if it could be had for that purpose. Unanimously
Carried. - ***Comrades** Parsons, Flint, White, and Conway were appointed on that committee.

Note – was read & received from Prof. J.C. Barrett offering the services of the band to play for the benefit of
the post on Decoration Day, free of charge.

Motion – moved & 2nd, that the post accept this generous offer of Mr. Barrett, and that the Adj. be authorized
to inform him of our acceptance & extend to his band the thanks of the post for their kind offer. Carried.

Committee – be appointed to see the trustees of Oak Hill Cemetery, to see if they will donate a burial lot to the
Post without any restrictions (amendment offered) that Comrade Lord shall be that committee. Carried.

Report – of the Q.M. – Receipts for the evening - \$8.75.

There being no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. May 16th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - May 16th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades - NONE.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were NOT read.

Committee – on the application of Rev. Mr.J.B. Harrison, reported favorable, then report was accepted, committee
Was discharged. Candidate balloted for and elected.

Candidates – Harrison & Foote being present, were mustered in, in due form.

G.O. – No. 4, from H.Q., Dept. of N.J. was read and ordered filed.

Committee – for Oak Hill Cemetery reported that the trustees offered to donate a lot to the post, provided the post
Would fence it in within 2 years. Report accepted & committee discharged.

Committee – on the Strawberry Festival reported progress, report accepted & that the committee continued.
Committee – on Decoration Day reported progress, report accepted & committee to continue.

Seminar – Committee – Comrade Conway made a very favorable report in regards to the proceedings of said
Committee. He informed the post that the committee had passed a resolution providing for these additional
Members to be added to their number & that 3 are selected from the post

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to accept the report of Comrade Conway & his suggestion be carried out.

Comrades – Parsons, Harrison and Gifford were nominated & unanimously elected members of the Sub Committee
For the Soldiers and Orphans Home.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the post meet here Sunday evening May 27th, in uniform – to proceed to the Baptist
Church and listen to Comrade Conway's Decoration Sermon. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to have a committee of 3 appointed to invite Co. K to meet with us in uniform
Attend the church service. Also carried.

Motion – was moved and 2nd, to authorized the adj. to insert a notice in the Vineland papers inviting all of the old
Soldiers so to meet with the post and visit the church. (Not acted upon)

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to have a communication forwarded through the Dept. Commander to the commander
In Chief to inform him that Comrade Conway has been appointed to confer with him in reference to
Transferring the Seminary into a soldier and sailors orphans home. So Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the post extend to Comrade Flint their most hearty thanks for his generous
Invitation to advance the band at his own expense. Unanimously Carried.

Report – of the Q.M. – Receipts for the evening - \$9.75.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. May 26th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - May 26th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades - Capen, Lord and Baker.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved.

Committee – for the Strawberry Festival reported progress, report accepted, committee continued.

Sub-Committee – for the ~~Soldiers Orphans~~ and Sailors & Orphans Home reported that the subject had been
Dropped for the present. The report was accepted and the committee continued

Committee – for Decoration Day reported progress, report accepted & committee continued.

Committee – to confer with Co. K, reported progress, report accepted * committee discharged.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to accept the donation of the trustees of the Oak Hill Cemetery, of a burial lot
in their cemetery. It was unanimously carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that the old committee that was appointed to confer with the trustees of the Oak Hill
Cemetery in regards to the donation of a burial lot to the post. They be re-appointed to inform the
Trustees of the post acceptance of there noble & generous offer. Unanimously Carried.

Motion – moved & 2nd, that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$3.00 for hall rent for the month of May. Carried.

Motion – moved & 2nd, that the post meet here at the hall at 10 o'clock sharp on Sunday morning to attend devine
Services at the Baptist church in full uniform –those that have them & the comrades that have not got a
Uniform to meet with us also. Carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that there be a detail of 8 comrades from the post to go to Oak Hill Cemetery at 8:1/2
O'clock in the morning of Decoration – to decorate all of the graves of all deceased Soldiers & Sailors
that are buried there. Carried. -

Comrades – detailed for that occasion were Parsons, Strong, Green,
Ross, Herring, Kinsmar (?), Palmer and Hamilton.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to invite Co. K, to act as escort for the post-to the church tomorrow morning. Carried.

Motion – moved & 2nd, to invite all the clergymen of Vineland to deliver for us, at their convenience. Not carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to invite Comrade Rev. J.B. Harrison to deliver a Sermon for the Post- next Sunday,
And that it be left to his own option as to the time of day. So carried.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to invite Co. K, to attend Comrade Harrison's church service with the post in
Uniform. It was so carried.

Receipts - of the evening - \$3.00.

As there was no further business, the post was closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. June 13th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - June 13th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Gifford and Burge.

Minutes – of the last regular and special encampment were read and approved.

Application – of Wm. R. Bryant was received and referred to Comrades White, Singleton and Cunningham.

Application – of Harry Wilson was received and referred to Comrades Lord, Vernal and Goodenough.

Committee – on Decoration Day reported favorable.

Committee – on the Strawberry Festival held may 30th, reported cash in hand clear of all demands was \$24.14 – the report was accepted and committee discharged.

Committee – for the festival held June 9th, reported, cash in hand after all bills had been paid is \$50.77. The Report was accepted and the committee was discharged.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, to authorize the Adjutant to send to head quarters for a blank order book for the post.

Communication – from the floral society was received, read and filed.

Motion - moved & 2nd, that the Q.M. be appointed a committee of one to get 500 blanks printed for Delinquent members of the post. It was carried.

Moved & 2nd, - to extend a vote of thanks to Comrade Harrison for his donation of \$2.00 to the post. Carried.

Moved & 2nd, - to extend the thanks of the post to the Vineland Floral Society for their kind & generous assistance On Decoration Day (an amendment was offered & accepted) also to have a certificate filled out, framed And presented to the floral society with the compliments of the post. Carried.

Moved & 2nd, - to have a committee appointed to see what can be done in regards to fencing the burial lot in Sialoam Cemetery and to report as soon as possible. Carried.

Comrades – White, Capen and Gutterson were appointed on above said committee.

Moved & 2nd, - that there be a committee of 3 appointed to procure a “SEAL” for the post and that the Q.M Be the chairman of that committee. It was so carried.
Comrades- Strong, White and Lord were appointed on said above committee.

Report - of the Q.M. – Receipts –for the evening - \$3.75.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. June 27th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - June 27th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Gifford and Burge.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved.

Application –Committee of Wm. R. Bryant reported favorable, report was received and the committee was discharged. Candidate balloted for and elected.

Application –Committee of Mr. Harry Wilson reported favorable, report was received and the committee was discharged. Candidate balloted for and elected.

Comrade – Harry Wilson being present was mustered in, in due form.

Moved & 2nd, to donate to Mr. Harry Wilson & Mr. Bryant their initiation fees. It was so carried.

Committee – to procure a seal & delinquent blanks reported that they have been received and paid for... The report was received and the committee was discharged.

Moved & 2nd, that an order be drawn on the Q.M. in favor of the Q.M. for \$7.85. It was carried.

Committee – on decoration reported progress.

Committee – on fencing reported progress.

Comrade – White offered the following Resolution –

***Where as** - many of our comrades being in arrears to this post for over one year. And Where as our regulations require all members to be dropped from the rolls after such a date and if we do not comply with these laws we have to pay a per capita tax on those members that we receive no revenue from. There fore, be it resolved, that the post donate to all comrades their arrears up to January 1st, 1877.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that Comrade's White resolution be adopted. It was carried.

Moved & 2nd, that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$1.50, in favor of Mr. Duncan for flags. Carried.

Moved & 2nd, that the flags be placed in the hands of the Q.M. for safekeeping. Carried.

Moved & 2nd, to appoint Comrades Lord & Capen on a committee to see if the party that broke the vase at our Last festival, and see if he is willing to pay for the same. It was so carried.

Moved & 2nd, to have an order drawn on the Q.M. for \$2.00 to pay for rent of the hall. Carried.

Committee – on Oak Hill Cemetery reported progress, report received & committee was discharged.

Moved & 2nd, there be a committee of one appointed to procure a frame for the certificate and see that it is Presented to the Ladies of the Floral Society. It was so carried.

Comrade – White was appointed on that committee.

Report – of the Q.M. – receipts for the evening - \$1.50.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

Thomas B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. July 11th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - July 11th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades - None.

Minutes - of the last regular encampment were read and approved., as corrected.

Gen. Order - No. 5 & 1, from H.Q., Dept. of N.J. from H.Q. of G.A.R. from 111 Broadway N.J.-read & filed.

Committee - appointed to see the party that broke the vase at our last festival reported progress. The report was received and the committee continued.

Committee - on framing certificate reported progress and committee continued.

Committee - on fencing material reported progress.

Financial Committee - on decoration made a very encouraging report, which was received & committee continued.

Moved & 2nd, - to have an order drawn on the Q.M. in favor of Comrade W.G. White for \$1.00. So Carried.

Moved & 2nd, - that the Adj. be authorized to have a statement published in the Millville papers, informing The citizens of that place. That the G.A.R. caps seen upon their streets on the 4th of July and the 2nd & 3rd day after did not cover the head of a single member of the G.A.R. It was carried.

Moved & 2nd, - that no member of this post shall lend any portion of his uniform to any one but a member So ordered. So carried.

Report - of the Post Q.M. - receipts for the evening - \$3.50.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T. B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. July 25th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - July 25th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Gifford, Lord, Burge and Parsons.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved.

Comrade – Parsons was reported sick.

Committee – on framing the certificate (for the Floral Society) made a full report, which was accepted.
The committee was discharged.

Committee – on fencing material (for Sialoam Cemetery) reported progress.

Committee – on vase (broken at festival) reported progress.

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Motion – **Was moved & 2nd**, -

That this post tender its services to Governor Bidle to help protect the property of this State against the Riotors and that the adjutant be authorized to telegraph to the governor Immediately or at his earliest opportunity – that we stand ready to aid the government provided arms were furnished to us.

It was so carried.

Receipts – of the evening - ~~\$1.15~~ \$1.50.

There being no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. August 8th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - August 8th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Capen and Baker.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved.

Application – of Rev. Mr. William Pittenger was received and referred to Comrades Gifford, Lord and Singleton.

Comrade – Aldrich report sick.

Moved & 2nd, - that a committee of five be appointed to make arrangement for a reception for Co. K. Carried.

Comrades - Strong, McMahan, Singleton, Gutterson and Foote were appointed on the above said committee.

Moved & 2nd, - that Comrade Conway be added and made chairman of said above committee. So carried.

Receipts – for the evening - #2.57.

As there was no further business, the post was closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. August 22nd, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - August 22nd, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades -

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved.

G.O. - No. 2 & 3 from H.Q. No. 111 Broadway N.J. city., & G.O. No. 6 with a circular from Department Head Quarters, Newark, were received, read and ordered filed.

Committee – on the application of Rev. Mr. Wm. Pittenger reported favorable, the report was received. Committee discharged and candidate was balloted for and elected.

Application – of Mr. F.P. Bartlett was received and referred to Comrades Capen, Washburn and Palmer.

Application – of Mr. Edward B. Shaw was received & referred to Comrades Cunningham, Bryant & Singleton.

Committee – on fencing reported progress

Committee – on reception reported progress, report accept, and the committee continued.

Comrade – Washburn reported that the gold braid for caps cost .08 cents per yard and that it would take about 2 yards per cap.

Comrade – Flint – Committee on Decoration Day reported all subscriptions were paid in & after paying all bills, he had \$4.15 on hand. He suggested that the amount be appropriated to help pay the reception bills. This report was accepted with the suggestions & he was honorably discharged from further duties on said committee.

Moved & 2nd, - that the post sends to Comrade Flint its most sincere thanks for the faithful performance of the duties on Decoration Day. It was unanimously carried.

Moved & 2nd, - that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for #6.29 to pay balance due for expenses on reception. Carried.

Comrade – Parsons the Post Commander resigned his position as delegate to the Dept. encampment & suggested Comrade Conway be nominated in his place. The resignation & suggestion were accepted.

Moved & 2nd, - that the adjutant cast deposit the telling Ballot for the post for Comrade Conway. Carried.

ADJUTANT – prepared the vote and cast it, as was ordered and Comrade Conway was declared duly elected Delegate to the Department Encampment.

Moved & 2nd, - that our delegate to the semiannual encampment be instructed to invite the Dept. Commander And his staff to visit this post. It was so carried.

Receipts – for the evening - \$.75.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

Thomas B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Sept. 5th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - September 5th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Gifford, Baker, Burge and McMahan.

Minutes – None were read.

Committee – on the application of F.P. Bartlett reported favorable, the report was received, the committee was Discharged and the candidate was balloted for and elected.

Committee – on the application of G.B. Shaw reported favorable, the report was received, the committee was Discharged and the candidate was balloted for and elected.

Committee – on fencing (for Sialoam Cemetery) reported progress.

Comrades – F.P. Bartlett, E.B. Shaw and Rev. Mr. Pittenger all being present, were mustered in due form.

Moved & 2nd, - that the post donate Rev. Mr. Pittenger his initiation fees. It was so carried.

****Comrade** – W.G. White -

Preferred charges against Comrade C.W. Vaughn. The Charges and Specifications are as follows:

- 1.- For the commission of scandalous offense against the laws of the land.
- 2.- Conduct unbecoming a soldier and a gentleman.

Specifications – 1st. – For most curly beating his wife and breaking or fracturing her shoulder blade
And otherwise severely injuring her.

Specifications – 2nd. – For stealing two cases Sewing Silk from his employer – Mr. Charles Keeley
Valued at \$20.00.

Signed - - W.G. White

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

Thos. B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Sept. 19th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - September 19th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades - NONE.

Minutes – No mention of minutes be read.

Communication – from Co. K, was received, inviting the post to attend their annual Inspection – on Tuesday Evening Oct. 2nd. Which was unanimously accepted, with thanks.

Committee – on fencing reported progress.

Committee – on the VASE asked for an extension of time, which was granted.

Court Martial hearing – on **Comrade C.W. Vaughn** –

The 2nd, - Specification – in the charges against Comrade C.W. Vaughn was withdrawn. There not
Being enough evidence to sustain said specification.

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Motion - **was moved & 2nd**, (on above matter) that there be a court martial convened to try Comrade C.W. Vaughn
– on the main Charge and 1st specification . It was so carried.

Post Commander – then issued the following orders for a **Court martial**.

Head Quarters - Lyon Post No. 10

- **A Post Court martial** - - -

Is hereby appointed to meet at such a place as the officers of the court may select – on the 20th day of September
Or as soon thereafter as practicable – for the trial of – C.W. Vaughn.

Detail for Court martial - - - -

No. 1 – G.D. Capen

No. 2 – A.F. Gutterson

No. 3 - C.P. Lord

N.R. Gifford – Judge Advocate

By order of – **A. J. Parsons, post Commander**

T.B. Ross, post Adj.

Motion – was made & 2nd, that there be a committee appointed to investigate the reports concerning one of our
Comrades. Comrades Lord, Vernal & Gutterson were appointed on that committee. So carried.

Receipts – reported by the Q.M. – for the evening - \$1.75.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

Thos. B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Oct. 3rd, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - October 3rd, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Gifford, Burge and McMahan.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved.

G.O. – No. #7 – from H.Q. Dept. of N.J. was received, read and filed.

Communication - was received from Comrade Gifford tendering his resignation as Judge Advocate of the Court martial for the trial of Comrade C.W. Vaughn on account of pressure of business.

Motion – was moved & 2nd, that Comrade Gifford's resignation be accepted. So carried.

Post Commander – then appointed Comrade J.A. Strong to fill above position.

Committee – on investigation reported, that they could find no foundation to sustain said reports
The report was received and the committee was discharged.

Committee – on the VASE, reported progress.

Committee – on the Court martial, reported progress.

Committee – on fencing reported progress, the report was received and the committee continued.

Moved & 2nd, that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$2.00, for the rent of the hall for September. Carried.

Moved & 2nd, - that there be a committee appointed to correspond with officials of the West Jersey R.R. Co. To see on what terms they will furnish us with an excursion Train to Phila. And the exhibition Buildings on the 18th of this month, with tickets good for two days. That there be a special meeting Called on the reception of their answer. It was so carried.

Comrade – White, Green and Cheever were appointed on that committee.

Comrade – Singleton was called upon to entertain the post with a few remarks to which he kindly assented. His remarks being so brief, that the commander requested them to be entered on the minutes of the Post, which was as follows: "The Commander & comrade not being used to speaking in public I will sit down!, and down he did sit.

Comrade – Hamilton was called upon to read a piece from a book that he seemed to be very interested in. He kindly consented and read a very laughable sketch about a Hissing hen. To the great Amusement of the post.

Comrade – Green was detailed to entertain the post at our next regular meeting or on his first attendance.

Comrade – Green gave quite a glowing account of the kind manner in which he was received by the different Posts of Philadelphia, that he had the pleasure of visiting. His remarks were listened to with great interest.

Receipts – for the evening - \$5.50.

As there was no further business, the post was closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Oct 17th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - October 17th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Gutterson, Burge and McMahan.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved as corrected.

G.O. Orders – No. 4 & 5 - were received from H.Q. No. 111 Broadway, N.J. – was read & ordered filed.

Committee –Excursion - reported that they could make no arrangement with the officers of the West
Jersey R.R. Co., The report was accepted and the committee was discharged.

Committee – on fencing reported progress.

Committee – on the “Vase” reported no progress.

Moved & 2nd, - that there be an order drawn on the Q.M. for \$.75 to pay for the (above) Vase. So carried.

Comrade – Gardner was reported as having changed his place of residence to Philadelphia.

Report of Q.M. –

Receipts – for the evening - #1.00.

As there was no further business, the post was closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Oct. 31st, 8177

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. - October 31st, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades –Capen and Gifford.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved

G.O - No. 8 – from Dept. H.Q. was received, read and ordered filed.

Moved & 2nd, - to have an order drawn on the Q.M. to pay for the rent of the hall. So carried.

Moved & 2nd, - to have 2 comrades appointed each night to entertain the post by reading, speaking or singing at the next regular encampment after their appointment. It was so carried.

Comrades – Hamilton and Ross were appointed to give the first entertainment.

***OFFICIAL REPORT – COURT MARTIAL – PROCEEDINGS - - -**

Report – of the proceedings of the court martial of Comrade C.W. Vaughn was received and read.

Results - - of which are as follows –

We find Comrade C.W. Vaughn – **GUILTY** – of all the charges and specifications. And the court Sentenced him to be Dishonorably Discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

Moved & 2nd, - that there be committee of 3 appointed to look after some arrangement for entertainment. Carried.

Comrades – White, Bryant and Capen were appointed to above committee.

For the Good of the Order – Under the head of

Comrade – Green was called upon to give an account of his visit to Phila. On the Grand Army Day. To Which he kindly assented to. His remarks were listened to with great interest.

Post Commander – gave his experiences while he was in the U.S. Navy, which was also very interesting.

Report – of the Q.M. was called for – receipts for the evening - \$2.75.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Nov. 14th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. – November 14th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades –Capen, Gifford, Burge and McMahan.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved

Committee – on entertainment reported progress

Committee – on “Vase” reported that the vase had been paid for.

Comrade – McMahan reported sick.

Comrades – Hamilton and Strong were appointed to entertain the post at our next regular encampment.

Moved & 2nd, - that there be a committee of 3 appointed to wait upon Comrades Harrison, Pittenger & Conway
To see if they will each give a lecture for the benefit of the post. So carried.

Comrades – White, Singleton and Washburn were appointed on that committee.

Receipts – for the evening - #1.25.

As there was no further business, the post was closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Nov. 28th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. – November 28th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Capen and McMahan.

Minutes – None were read.

G.O. No. 6 - from the National H. Q. was read and ordered filed.

Communication – from Comrade Crump (on Inspection) was read and ordered filed.

Committee – appointed to wait upon Comrades Conway, Pittenger and Harrison in reference to lectures. Reported
That each one had kindly consented to deliver a lecture for the benefit of the post as soon as convenient
The report was received and the committee was discharged.

P.C. Read – a communication from Gen. B.F. Butler (?) declining the invitation to deliver a lecture for the post, on
Account of oppressing engagements.

Court Martial – Findings - - -

The findings and sentencing in the court martial against Comrade C.W. Vaughn –

Were returned approved from the Department and the National Head Quarters. The Post Commander
Declared that Comrade C.W. Vaughn is Dishonorably Discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic
And the board of court martial is dissolved. It was moved & 2nd.

Moved & 2nd, - that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$2.00 to pay for the rent of the hall. Carried.

Moved & 2nd, - to accept the drama entitled “Tried and True”. Was Carried.

Moved & 2nd, - that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$10.00 in favor of the entertainment committee. Carried.

Comrade – Bryant kindly volunteered to take Comrade Strong’s turn to entertain the post by reading a few chapters
in Comrade Pittenger’s book of adventure during the rebellion. The readings were listened to with
great interest.

Receipts – for the evening - \$5.25.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Dec. 12th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. – December 12th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades –Capen and McMahan.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved

Committee – on entertainment reported progress

Committee – on uniforms made report which was accepted, and the committee was continued.

Moved & 2nd, - that Comrade Kinsman's bill be laid over until our next regular meeting. Carried.

After the Regular business of the evening had been disposed of - - It was moved & 2nd, that we proceed to
The nomination and election of officers of the post for the ensuing year. So Carried.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE POST – FOR 1878.

Post Commander – then appointed Comrades Pearson and Byrant as Tellers for the evening.

Nominations –

Post Commander – Comrade Capen was nominated,

It was moved & 2nd, that the nomination be declared closed. So carried.

Moved & 2nd, - that the adjutant be authorized to cast the setting vote of the post for the P.C. So Carried.

The Adjutant – therefore cast the vote for the post, the result was, that **Comrade G.D. Capen** was
Declared elected Post Commander of this post for the ensuing year.

J.V.C. – Junior Vice Commander –

Comrades - Byrant, Green, Singleton and Baker were nominated. As there were no further nominations.
The nominations were declared closed an the balloting commenced

Results – of the first ballot was as follows –

Whole number of votes cast was 28 – Comrade Byrant received 2, Green = 11, Singleton = 10 and
Baker =5. (No choice).

Comrade Byrant being the lowest, he was dropped.

Comrades Singleton, Baker and Green were balloted for again.

Results - of the 2nd ballot as follows –

Whole number of votes cast was 28. Comrade Singleton = 11, Green= 13 & Baker =4. (No choice)
Comrade Baker being the lowest was dropped.

Comrades – Singleton and Green were balloted for again.

Results – of the 3rd ballot as follows –

Whole number of votes cast was 26. Comrade Singleton = 11, and Comrade green = 15.

****Comrade – C.E. green** was declared elected for J.V.C. for the ensuing year.

Q. M. – Quarter master –

Comrade – Strong was nominated. As there was no other nominations, the nomination was closed.

Moved & 2nd, - that the Adj. cast the vote of the post for Comrade Strong. So Carried.

The Adj. – cast the vote for the post and Comrade J.A. Strong was declared elected Q. Master
Of this post for the ensuing year.

S.V.C. – Senior Vice Commander –

Comrade – Gutterson was nominated. As there was no there nominations, the nominations

Were declared closed

Moved & 2nd, - that the Adjutant cast the telling vote for the post for Comrade Gutterson. So carried. Vote cast.
Comrade – A.F. Gutterson was declared elected S.V.C. of this post for the ensuing year.

Surgeon –

Comrade – Pearson and Byrant were nominated. As there was no there nominations, the nominations
Were declared closed.

Results – of the 1st ballot was as follows – Whole number of votes cast was 26 of which Comrade Pearson
Received 16 votes and Comrade Byrant received 10 votes.

Comrade – A.W. Pearson was declared elected Surgeon of this post for the ensuing year.

Chaplain –

Comrade - Lord was nominated. As there was no there nominations, the nominations
Were declared closed.

Moved & 2nd, - that the Adjutant cast the telling vote for the post for Comrade Lord. So carried. Vote cast.
Comrade – C.P. Lord was declared elected Chaplain of this post for the ensuing year.

O.D. – Officer of the Day –

Comrade - Parsons was nominated. As there was no there nominations, the nominations
Were declared closed.

Moved & 2nd, - that the Adjutant cast the telling vote for the post for Comrade Parsons. So carried. Vote cast.
Comrade – A.J. Parsons – was declared elected O. D. of this post for the ensuing year.

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Comrades – Burge, Cook, Singleton, Washburn and Foote were nominated. As there was no there
nominations, the nominations were declared closed.

Results – were as follows – Whole number of votes cast was 28, of which – Comrade Burge rec. 8 votes,
Singleton rec. 12 votes, Washburn rec. 2 votes and Foote rec. 6. Result – No choice.
Comrade Washburn receiving the lowest number of votes was dropped.

Comrades – Burge, Singleton and Cook were balloted for again.

Results – of the 2nd Ballot as follows – Whole number of votes cast was 25, of which Comrade Burge rec. 12
Votes, Singleton rec. 12 votes and Foote rec. 1 vote.

Comrade Washburn receiving the lowest number of votes was dropped.

Comrades – Singleton and Burge were left to ballot on a 3rd time. But Comrade withdrew his
His name from the contest and left Comrade Burge alone in his glory. As there was no opposition
To Comrade Burge.

Moved & 2nd, - that the Adjutant cast the telling vote for the post for Comrade Burge. So carried. Vote cast.
Comrade – D.H. Burge – was declared elected O.P. of this post for the ensuing year.

I.G. - Inner Guard –

Comrades – Bryant and Foote were nominated. As there were no further nominations, the nomination
Was declared closed.

Results – The whole number of votes cast was 21, of which Comrade Byrant received 13 votes
And comrade Foote received 8 votes.

Comrade – W.R. Byrant was declared elected I.G. for the ensuing year.

O.G. - Outside Guard –

Comrade – Foote were nominated. As there were no further nominations, the nomination
was declared closed.

Moved & 2nd, - that the adjutant cast the telling vote for the post, for Comrade Foote. Which was carried.
The adjutant cast the vote as authorized.

Comrade – E.H. Foote was declared elected O.G. of the post for the ensuing year.

Council of Administration –

Comrades – White, Hamilton and Cheever were nominated. As there were no further nominations, the
nomination was declared closed.

Moved & 2nd, - that the adjutant cast the telling vote for the post, for the new nominations. For the Council of Ad's. Which was carried. The adjutant cast the vote as authorized.

Results – Comrades - W.G. White, L.F. Hamilton and G.A. Cheever were declared duly elected Council of Administration for the ensuing year.

Delegate – to Dept. Encampment –

Comrade – Parson was nominated, and the nomination was declared closed. The adjutant was authorized to cast the telling vote of the post.

Comrade – A.W. Pearson was declared elected Delegate of the post for the ensuing year.

~~For alternate Comrade White was nominated & the nomination was declared closed.~~

Delegate – Alternate –

Comrades – White and Cheever were nominated As there were no further nominations, the nomination was declared closed.

Results – as follows, the whole number of votes cast was 22, of which Comrade White received 15 votes and Comrade Cheever received 7 votes.

Comrade – W.G. White was declared elected alternate for the post for the ensuing year.

***This comprised the list of officers that were so elected for the evening.

Other Appointments –

The adjutant, Quarter Master Sargent and Sargent Major were not appointed owing to the absences of the newly elected Post Commander.

AFTER THE NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS HAD BEEN DULY MADE AND TAKEN –

THE FOLLOWING IS THE RESULT - -

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR – 1878.

Post Commander	Geo. D. Capen
Sen. V. Cmd.	A.F. Gutterson
Jun. V. Cmd.	Chas. E. Green
Adjutant	Thos. B. Ross
Q. Mas.	J.A. Strong
Surgeon	A.W. Pearson
Chaplain	C.P. lord
Off. Day	A.J. Parsons
Off. Parade	D.H. Burge
Q.Mas.	L.F. Hamilton
Q.Mas Sar.	F.E. Baker

Guards

Inner	W.R. Byrant
Outer	E.H. Foote

Council of Administration-

Comrades – W.G. White
L.F. Hamilton
G.A. Cheever

Delegate to Dept. Encampment – A.W. Pearson
Alternate - W.G. White

Receipts – for the evening - **\$11.00**

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, Adj.

Vineland, N.J. Dec. 26th, 1877

Regular Encampment of Lyon Post No. 10, G.A.R., Dept. N.J., held in Odd Fellows Hall
Wednesday Eve. – December 26th, 1877.

Post opened in due form.

Officers absent - Comrades – Capen and McMahan.

Minutes – of the last regular encampment were read and approved

G.O. No. 9 - & circular No.1, from Dept. H.Q. were received, read and ordered filed.

Committee – on Entertainment - Comrade White reported he had paid to Jared P. Mansfield the sum of \$10.00
For the sole and exclusive right to produce his drama entitled “Tried and True” or the “Southern loyalist”
Here in Vineland, state of N.J. whenever the post may be pleased to do so. The report was received
and the committee continued.

Comrade – White reported to the post that Comrade Capen, our new P.C. Elect has accepted the office
and extends his thanks to the post for the position.

Moved & 2nd, - that an order be drawn on the Q.M. for \$2.00 in favor of the trustees of the Odd Fellows Society
to pay for rent of the hall for the month of December 1877. So carried.

Comrade – McMahan presented a bill of \$3.00 for janitor’s services for the year 1877, bill accepted & ordered paid.

Bill – of Advertiser for printing notices to members - \$1.75 was presented and ordered paid.

CHARGES - - - Preferred - -

Charges – were preferred against Comrade Charles T. Stratton.

The charges and specifications are as follows:

Charge 1st – Conduct unbecoming a soldier and a gentleman, in his relations to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Specification –1st. –

That said Comrade Charles T. Stratton did obtain Comrades A.J. Parsons and N.R. Gifford as securities upon
A bond between him and the Singer manufacturing Company as agent for said company. This occurred in Atlantic City; of this state
on or about the year of 1876. According to representation of said company, upon examination
Of his accounts on or about the month of April, 1877. Stratton was found to be in default to the amount of \$400.
to \$600. Also that said Stratton has not given satisfactory reasons why such default is not correct. Thus making
Comrades Parsons and Gifford liable for the amount of said bond of \$500.

Specification – 2nd,-

That Comrade Charles T. Stratton of his own free will deceived and willfully lied to the inquiry of his
Bondsmen.

Signed - Comrade W.G. White

After reading the charges and specifications - - -

The Commander sued the following orders for a post Court martial –

A Post Court Martial is hereby appointed to meet at such a place as the officers of said court may select,
On the 1st day of January or as soon there after as practicable for the trial of Comrade Chas. T. Stratton.

DETAIL For Court - -

Comrades - A.F. Gutterson, F.E. Baker and C.E. Green. J.A. Strong- Judge Advocate

T.B. Ross, post Adjutant

Per Order of – A.J. Parsons, P.C.

Commander – Parsons remarked that Comrade Jos. Lee would be here to install our new officers elect
He thought that he would not be likely to come alone.

Comrade – White immediately arose and advocated a post Camp Fire on that occasion After a few remarks had
been made by a number of comrades.

Moved & 2nd, - that we have a Camp Fire lunch in our next encampment. It was so carried.

Comrade –Gifford generously offered to furnish a room for the camp fire in order to avoid the possibility
of destroying the carpet in our own hall.

Moved & 2nd, - that there be a committee of three appointed with power to add to their number to make
arrangements for the Camp Fire. So carried.

Moved & 2nd, - that the above lunch should consist of coffee, crackers and cheese and such other refreshments
as each comrade should bring in. So carried.

Comrade – Byrant of the committee on drama read the cast of characters, assigning comrades to their several
Parts. In order to arrive at some idea of the drama, it was read by the post.

Report – of the post Q.M. –

Receipts - for the evening - \$6.75.

As there was no further business, the post closed in due form.

T.B. Ross, post Adj.