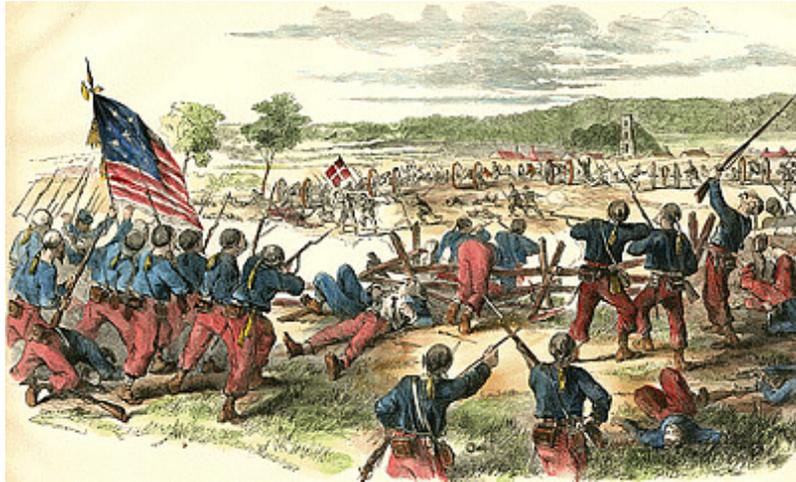


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THANKSGIVING DINNER A GREAT SUCCESS

from your special correspondent



The Company Thanksgiving Dinner was a great success. Twelve diners sat to table at "the Briars" on the delightful Camden farm of the Olivers.

Pvts. Potts, Lincoln W., Sanders and Trp. Oliver formed the advance party and ferreted away in the Briars setting up tables and benches, stacked the firewood...having a few cold beers...then set up the kitchen and tentage.

The Company warily eyed the grey, heavy sky, but Pvt. Sanders' unbounded optimism of "clear blue" saw the clouds part and the sun come shining through!

The Company and guests began arriving, as Pvt. Potts stirred his pots and Pvt. Sanders began preparing his fried chicken. Pvt. Lincoln W., forgot his pies and had to take his wagon back to Bargo to fetch 'em...that's dedication.



Cpl. Thompson and Pvt. Lincoln C., entertained the Company with fife, Pvt. Potts twanged the jaw-harp and rolled the harmonica. The Company thrilled to the music and sung flowed forth as the lazy afternoon flowed on.

Cpl. Thompson called the Company to table, for sherry wine. The music and singing continued and the Company set out their mess gear and chatted and sang whilst Pvts. Potts and Sanders brought the Thanksgiving Dinner to table.

The fare consisted of:

Starters: Soft bread and jam, goober peas, fire roasted corn, sherry wine

Main courses: Beef and Vegetable Stew, Fried Chicken, wine, cold beer

Desert: Apple Pie and Cream

Supper: Whisky, Port and Segars

As usual, the Company cooks did a superb job, Pvt. Sanders apologised for not being able secure a turkey, but this correspondent will attest, his fried chicken might one day be famous!

The Beef Stew was grand and Pvt. Potts was heard to say "I loved that ol' mule". It was good and meaty and we wondered where he foraged such tender fleisch! I am sure some farmer's wife was deprived of her baking after Pvt. Lincoln W., returned with such huge chunky apple pies!

Cpl. Thompson called us to order for the Thanksgiving Grace and British Military Observer, Mr. B. Manera addressed the mess about matters military and spiritual. Toasts were called for and raised and the Dinner eaten.

A visiting volunteer Colonel and his young staff Sergeant plundered the Company's wallets in a wild whirl of poker, blackjack and a million other variations thereupon! Pvts. Sanders and Lincoln W., took a whooping...Pvt. Lincoln C., ended up \$5 ahead. Oi vai!

Vivandierre Miss Juleigh, kept spirits going all night, pressing sherry

wine and beers on the Regiment, much to the boys' delight. Pvt. Koen's beau, Miss Gabbi, swept up in the evening's excitement declared "I love this Regiment!" and promptly joined up!

As the night lengthened and the well fed and liquored guests retired to their various billets, Pvt. Sanders and Pvt. Lincoln W., watched them retire into the mist...and had one last cold beer.

Thank you to all our members and guests who came along, we hope you had a good time.

Great big thanks to Phil Oliver and family for all their help and support to put on the event, the Briars is a lovely spot and the Company thanks you sincerely for letting us encamp there.

Look forward to our next Dinner, probably our Muster Dinner in July 2008. All welcome.

J.L. RIKER POST, NO. 62.
12TH ANNUAL DANCE (1883)



J. L. Riker Post, No. 62, held its twelfth annual dance and masquerade ball at the Concordia Assembly Rooms on Monday evening, and it was unfortunate for the post that a larger hall had not been provided, for the crush was very great.

A very large number were in mask. The opening march was led by the Floor Committee, dressed in Charles II costumes, followed by the Anderson Zouaves, Garibaldi Veteran Association, and Sedgewick and Riker Posts. Among those present were delegations from nearly all the New-York and Brooklyn posts, also of the Sons of Veterans of New-York and Hoboken.

Comrades Urback and Bender, proprietors of the rooms, apparently ransacked kitchen and cellar for the benefit of the guests, and that a thoroughly enjoyable affair was had is

attested by the fact that the last dance was called at 7:30 o'clock on Tuesday morning. The arrangements were almost entirely in the hands of Comrade Henry S. Trass.

Contributed by Brother John Tierney

NEW MEMBER



Thanksgiving night saw a long term friend and supporter of the Company, Gabbi Koens, join up.

We are delighted to have Gabbi in Company F. Welcome, comrade.

COLONEL THEODORE B. HAMILTON



Whereas most 62nd NYV enthusiasts have heard of Colonel Riker and some have maybe even heard of Colonel Nevin, Colonel Theodore B. Hamilton was the last Colonel of the Regiment.

Theodore B. Hamilton was born circa 1836 at New York. He began his military service on May 21, 1861 at Buffalo, Erie County, New York as a Captain in Co. G. 33rd New York Infantry Regiment. On December 27, 1862 at Buffalo, Erie County, New York he mustered in to service as Lieutenant Colonel of 62nd New York Volunteers.

He was wounded on May 12, 1864 at Spottsylvania Courthouse, Virginia. He was appointed Colonel for gallant service in the battle of the Wilderness and Spottsylvania Court House on August 1, 1864. Colonel Theodore B. Hamilton ended military service on August 20, 1865.

He married Helen Margaret Foote (daughter of Thomas Moses Foote and Margaret St. John, circa 1872). On June, 1890 he was listed in

the 1890 Veteran's Schedule. Colonel Hamilton died on November 23, 1893 at Brooklyn, Kings County, New York.

RE-ENACTORS PERMIT UPDATE



Brother Billy Lincoln has received the LHRG's NSW Re-enactors Permit.

As mentioned in October's edition, these permits apply to public displays which involve the use of firearms, either blank firing or display.

The document will soon be up at the LHRG's website. Watch this spot for updates.

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