

ments; and the sum of \$200 appropriated to defray the expenses of the reception. We append official Reports of the proceedings of the Council meeting and that of the citizens.

MEETING OF CITIZENS.

At a meeting of citizens convened at the City Hall on Monday evening, the 11th inst., ALLEN ROSSMAN was called to the Chair and William Bryan appointed Secretary.

Mr. Wynkoop stated the object of the meeting to be to take measures to secure a fitting reception to our Returning Soldiers.

Ald. Townsend, in behalf of the Common Council stated that they had already held a meeting and appointed a committee of five to act in conjunction with the citizens, and had appropriated \$200 towards the expenses of the reception.

On motion of Mr. Fairfield a committee of two from each Ward was appointed to act with the committees on the part of the Common Council and the Firemen, as a Committee of Arrangements. The Chair named Messrs. R. F. Clark, Geo. C. Hubbel, Wm. A. Carpenter, P. S. Wynkoop, J. C. Newkirk, Sherman Van Ness, Wm. B. Van Vleck, Allen Rockefeller said committee.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter the Chairman and Secretary were added to the committee.

Mr. Newkirk moved that the committee invite the entire Regiment to stop at Hudson on their way to Albany. [Carried.]

On motion of Mr. Carpenter, a committee from the Fire Department composed of the Chief Engineer and Assistants, and of one member from each Company was invited to act with the Citizens and Council committees.

Mr. Newkirk moved that all members of Company K., heretofore honorably discharged in consequence of wounds or disability, be specially invited to participate in the reception. [Carried.]

Mr. Welch moved that the existing Military organizations in the city be also specially invited. [Carried.]

ALLEN ROSSMAN, Chairman.

WILLIAM BRYAN, Secretary.

Meeting of the Joint Committee.

After the adjournment of the meeting of citizens, the several committees assembled at the Council Room, III Honor, Mayor TEN BROECK in the Chair, with WM BRYAN, as Secretary, and proceeded to business. The Joint Committee is composed as follows:

COMMITTEE ON THE PART OF THE COUNCIL.

The MAYOR, Ald. EVANS,
Ald. TOWNSEND, " GROAT,
Ald. HOLMES.

COMMITTEE ON THE PART OF THE CITIZENS.

RICHARD F. CLARK, J. C. NEWKIRK,
GEO. C. HUBBEL, SHERMAN VAN NESS,
WILLIAM A. CARPENTER, WM. B. VAN VLECK,
P. S. WYNKOOP, ALLEN ROCKEFELLER,
ALLEN ROSSMAN, WM. BRYAN, and
Capt. GEORGE H. POWER,
(who was added to the committee on motion of Mr. Newkirk.)

COMMITTEE ON THE PART OF THE FIREMAN.

WM. HUDSON, Chief Eng. A. J. ROWLES, No. 3,
GEO. L. LITTLE, Asst. do. HENRY ROWLEY, No. 7,
ALMON SNYDER, " H. D. GAGE, No. 8,
J. HODGE, No. 1, A. CALKINS, H. & L. No. 3,
N. WEAVER, No. 2, WM. MAHAR, Hose 1.

A committee of three was appointed, consisting of J. C. Newkirk, Capt. Geo. H. Power and Richard F. Clark, to invite the 14th Regiment to stop at Hudson on its way to be mustered out of service, and to correspond by telegraph or otherwise, with Col. McQuade and Capt. Seymour in relation to the proposed reception.

Capt. Power stated that he would authorize the committee to offer the Regiment a free passage from New York to this place, in case arrangements could be made for the whole Regiment to stop on the way to Albany.

On motion of Mr. R. F. Clark, the committee appointed on the part of the citizens of two from each Ward, was constituted a Finance Committee for the purpose of raising additional funds to carry out the arrangements.

On motion of Ald. Townsend, Ald. R. F. Groat was appointed Treasurer of the committee.

The following committees were constituted:

On Finance—Messrs. Clark, Hubbel, Carpenter, Wynkoop, Newkirk, Van Ness, Wm. B. Van Vleck, Rockefeller.

On Banners—Messrs. Little, Townsend, Newkirk.

On Music—Messrs. Hubbel, Rossman, Hodge.

On Firing Salutes—Messrs. Carpenter, Holmes, Gage.

On Invitations—Messrs. Wynkoop, Van Ness, Evans.

Programme—Messrs. Carpenter, Hudson, Clark, Townsend, Hubbel.

On motion of Aid. Townsend, it was—

Resolved, That Col. Charles Darling be requested to act as Grand Marshal, with Messrs. Cornelius Fortle and Peter Bogardus as Assistant Marshalls, and that they be authorized to appoint such Aids as may be found necessary.

Adjourned to Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

JACOB TEN BROECK, Chairman.

WILLIAM BRYAN, Secretary.

The Welcome to the 14th Regiment.

Their Arrival and Reception.

The 14th Regiment reached this city this morning at about 6 o'clock, by the Hudson River Railroad, and not by the steamer Oregon as advertised.

They were received at the Hudson River Railroad depot, by the Committee of Arrangements and a large delegation of citizens. In consequence of the down train being about an hour behind time, it having Schriber's Band on board, the procession did not move from the depot until about 7 o'clock. As soon as the down train arrived they were formed in line, and the officers mounted on horseback, were escorted to the City Hall, where the committee and a large delegation of ladies had prepared them a breakfast, and were in waiting. As they reached the City Hall, they were drawn up in line, the officers dismounted, and on stepping into the Hall they were met by the Committee, and Mayor Ten Broeck, who welcomed them in the following brief speech:—

Col. McQuade—Officers and Soldiers of the 14th Regiment—I, in behalf of the Common Council and citizens of Hudson, welcome and tender you the hospitalities of this city,—feeling that you deserve such for the services you have rendered for your country, in endeavoring to quell this rebellion. We feel it a high pleasure to give you this reception. Once more we welcome you.

To which Col. McQuade replied, and thanked them in behalf of the regiment, for the courtesies extended, and said, that so far as the men of the 14th were concerned, they had fought bravely and done their duty nobly.

The regiment were then marched into the Hall where they were met by a crowd of ladies, who gave them a hearty welcome. When Col. McQuade stepped upon the platform, called them to order in a military way, thanked the ladies and citizens generally for his hearty welcome, and then gave the order to secure rations, which were provided in a bountiful manner, and spread upon six tables, that extended the entire length of the Hall.

After breakfast was despatched, the regiment was again formed under the direction of Marshal Darling, and his aids Fortle and Bogardus, and marched according to programme, in the following order:

Marshal and Aids on horseback
Stockport Band

Firemen in full uniform, out in large numbers, and as they passed the Star Office gave us three cheers, for which please accept thanks.

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Oliverack Band
Committee, Mayor and Common Council
E. Lee's Band, or Valatie.
Citizens on foot and in carriages
Soriber's Band of Albany
Col. McQuade and Staff

leading Regiment, each man keeping time to the music with a soldierly bearing.

The tattered Banners, which had been bourn by the brave Regiment through the Battles of Yorktown, Hanover Court House, Mechanicsville, Gaines Mills, Turkey Bend, Malvern Hill, Antietam and Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, '62, and May 3, '63, attracted universal attention. They were literally in shreds, and every shred is a memento of honor.

The enthusiasm inspired by the presence of this remnant of a once strong and compact Regiment, was modified by the recollection of the absent dead, who gave their lives for their Country; and tears were mingled with the plaudits which followed the march of the surviving heroes.

The line of procession was formed on Washington Square and moved down Union street

to Franklin Square, up Front to Warren, up Warren to Eighth, through Eighth to Columbia, down Diamond to Sixth, through Sixth to Union, down Union to West Court, down Allen to Third, through Third to the City Hall, where the Regiment was addressed by Hon. Theodore Miller, as follows:

Col. McQuade, Officers and Soldiers of the Fourteenth Regiment:

On behalf of the municipal authorities and the citizens of Hudson, I have the honor to tender to you a cordial and hearty welcome to the hospitalities of this city. Scarcely two years have elapsed since you entered into the glorious service of your country, in defence of the Constitution and the Union. The obligations you then assumed have been fulfilled with a fidelity and zeal which has never faltered in the darkest hour of danger and of trial. At a period of great gloom and disaster, with a full Regiment of hardy, strong and vigorous men, you marched forward to the seat of war, and, from the commencement of your career, have rendered most signal service to the country. With the National Capitol threatened, and an enemy in your immediate vicinity, you materially aided in its defence and protection. You always presented an unbroken and undaunted front to the foes of the country. You rushed with eagerness to the battle fields of the war, and in the memorable seven day's conflicts on the Peninsula, under Gen. McClellan, you won undying honor by your courage, your patriotism, and your steadfastness. You displayed a fortitude and a heroism worthy of veterans, and unsurpassed in the recorded history of any nation. Where, in the bloody annals of war, has there been exhibited stronger evidences of human fortitude and undying devotion to a grand and just cause? The sanguinary fields, which drank up the blood of some of the choicest and best of companions in arms, bear testimony to your valor in those hours of peril.

While we may each on this joyous occasion drop a tear of sorrow over the early death of many of your chosen band, comprising some of the noblest spirits and the very flowers of the community, yet the deeds of daring exhibited in those bloody conflicts, cannot fail to awaken the liveliest emotions and the greatest admiration from all who prize honor, courage and manliness.

The conflicts at Gaines Mills and Malvern Hill, consecrated by your blood and toil and suffering, will live forever in the memories of your countrymen in honor of both the living and the dead. From these stirring scenes you

passed to other positions of difficulty and trial. At Antietam, although held in reserve, you were ready for the fray. Again, under Gen. Burnside, at Fredericksburgh, you evinced the same indomitable firmness and courage which had so eminently marked your previous conduct.

With characteristic bravery you again participated in the late battles under Gen. Hooker near Fredericksburg, adding new laurels to the reputation already won, and closing your military career with distinguished honor.

You have passed through some eleven battles, and have won the admiration and applause of your fellow citizens of the country by deeds of noble daring; by submitting cheerfully to privations and sufferings incident to the calamities of war, and by your bearing as soldiers and gentlemen.

Your thinned ranks bears evidence that your service has been no idle task, no glittering ceremony; and although some of you are yet young in years, where are those scarred and war-worn veterans of other lands, whose lives have been devoted to the profession of arms, who can point to a more glorious, more brilliant and undying record, or a more honorable career?

You have, all of you, justly earned an imperishable fame for yourselves and for your posterity; and when you have passed away from earth, your own, with the memories of those of your associates who have gone to their final rest, far away from home and friends, in the din of battle, sealing their devotion to their country by their life blood, will be cherished in grateful recollection.

You will reap the fruits of your labors in the reflections that you have done your whole duty, both as citizens and soldiers, and a grateful country will never forget you.

We greet you on this interesting occasion with heartfelt thanks and with a hearty, thrice hearty welcome, back to the great State of New York, and to your own homes and firesides.

We hope and trust that with the blessings of that kind Providence who has thus far guided your actions you may enjoy, prosperity and happiness as bright as the noble deeds which have crowned your career as soldiers.

At the close of this speech the Regiment was marched into the City Hall, where a fine dinner was in waiting, which they despatched in good style.

The Officers were then invited to a dinner prepared for them by mine host of the Worth House, when they, in company with the committee, and a few invited guests, spent about an hour very pleasantly, on which occasion the Regiment, Col. McQuade, Capt. Seymour, Capt. Butler, the Clergy, and others, were toasted, which called forth brief replies.

Just at this moment while the company were feeling very pleasant, a despatch was received by the Colonel, announcing that the train was in readiness to convey them to Albany. At this stage of the proceedings Richard F. Clarke offered the following sentiment :

"To the memory of Lient. Esselstyn, privates Spencer, Lathrop and Storrs, who went forth to battle and return to us no more, except in spirit. May their memories stimulate us to renewed exertion to put down this unholy Rebellion, and again see our country united and happy."

The Boys of the entire Regiment were looking somewhat brown, but they appeared all to be hale and hearty and in fine spirits.

most every place of business and private residence, and the waiving of handkerchiefs as the procession passed through the route, with the ringing of the bells of the city, rendered the scene one of the greatest enthusiasm and excitement. At 2 o'clock the Regiment took the cars for Albany, amid the cheers of the thousands of spectators.

The turn-out from the country, considering the short notice given, was very large, and the latter part of the day proved exceedingly pleasant.

The following is a correct list of the officers and men of Company K, Capt. Wm H. Seymour, as published by us on the 7th of May, 1861, to be mustered in at Albany:—

OFFICERS.

W H SEYMOUR—Captain
LEMAN W BRADLEY, First Lieutenant
FAYETTE M BUTLER—RHSIGER
RICHARD ESSELESTYN—1st Sergeant
CHAS M MILLER—2d
HENRY DUBOIS—3d
JOHN D NEALY—4th
JOHN W HOLSAPPLE—1st Corporal
JACOB HENRY GROOT—2d
WM J HAWA—3d
VOLKERT WHITEBECK—4th

PRIVATES

Charles Stickles	George H Macy
E Spencer Elmer	Wm H Hoover
George W Bristol	Stephen Austin
Washington Finner	Martin V B Woodworth
John Macky	James Hodge
Henry Rogers	Frank Carpenter
Nelson Reid	John Jacob Bass
Wm M Browne	George H Rockefeller
John C Loop	Edward Stevens
Henry Mahar	A O Schermerhorn
J A Knowles	Wm H Schram
Edgar Groat	Lathan Stickles
George Millard	Frederick Martin
Edward Tynan	Nelson Boraback
Wm E Spencer	David S Cobb
David Van Benschoten	Thomas C Hatfield
Newton K Benedict	Alexander Firth
Augustus Carter	George Brown
Wm H Teal	Henry Duffy
Henry Schofield	John Kennedy
Jennings Covey	Walter Conroe
Wm E Kirkland	Luther Bain
Charles Lewis	Jacob Decker
Andrew Smith	Melville O Nash
Robert Rockefeller	Harmon Lasher
Sylvanus Snyder	James S Reynolds
Nichal Henchy	E Bertram New
John Carter	J W Dexter
Robert Poutrey	Robert Rockefeller
Orville Nash	Frank Hoover
Jacob Holtenbeck	James McLoughlin
George Haynor	Charles Race
John O Van Dausen	George W Bingham
John A Bier	Myron Wheeler
Edmond Smith	J A Engenderph
James T Perkins	Joseph Stigl
John W Curdis	Patrick Morris Roe
Martin Costello	August Hoffman
George H Way	George Kittig
Dennis Malone	Wm Mesick
George H Towner	Oriando Bell
David Ashton	George Navin
George E Hermance	Frank A Kentz
Charles G Raught	Thomas Shaw
John Barry	Edmund Roe
Joshua Hiseradt	David Barr
A Frank B Chace	John Wangler
James M Van Boren	Almer P Norton
George W Covey	John B Collin

The following is a correct list of Co. K, to be mustered out:—

W H SEYMOUR—Captain
Wm H ELLIS—1st Lieutenant
JAMES S REYNOLDS—2d Lieutenant
Volkert Whitebeck—First Sergeant
George Brown—Second do
Henry Duffy—Third do
John W Holsapple—Third do
E Spencer Elmer—First Corporal
John Mackey—Second do
Henry Schofield—Third do
Samuel Pridmore—Fourth do
Andrew Smith—Fifth do
Frank Carpenter—Sixth do
Philip J Payn—Seventh do
George H Macy—Eighth do

PRIVATES

Austin Stephen	Kertz Frank
Alger Robert G F	Kirtland Wm E
Ashton David	Knowles Isaac C
Bell David	Lasher Harmon
Barker Adelbert	Loop John C
Bruce Robert	Leonam R bert
Conrow Harmon	McLaughlin James
Covey Jennings	Mellias Peter B
Covey George W	Michael Charles

Cooper Thomas
Cooke Edward
Clow Andrew
Cole William
Cole Charles
Cullen John K
Decker Jacob
Dingham Harrison
Fuller Lotan
Firth Alexander
Groat Jacob H
Hayner George
Hollenbeck Henry E
Hubbel Robert A
Kennedy John

Naven George
Nordaly Wm H
Pinder Washington
Post David
Rose Charles
Rowe Norman S
Smith Edmund
Shultz Wm H
Stevens Edward
Sheldon John
Teal William H
Tyler Lester
Van Deusen Henry O
Van Deusen Milo S
Way George H

The following Poem, written by Anson G. Chester, Esq., of Buffalo, for a like occasion, is, with slight modification, appropriate to the gallant Fourteenth:—

WELCOME, BRAVE FOURTEENTH.

From the fields of strife and slaughter,
Fields where blood was poured like water,
Where, in swaths, the rebel foemen
Fell before our Northern yeomen;
From a war most just and holy
Though its gold is coined but slowly—

Welcome, brave Fourteenth.

With your frames all bruised and battered;
With your ranks all thin and shattered;
With your torn and shot-scarred banner,
Witness to your dauntless manner;
With a name and fame and glory
Which shall live in song and story—

Welcome, brave Fourteenth!

To the friends who smile to meet you;
To the homes which wait to greet you;
To the arms which long to press you;
To the hearts which love and bless you;
To your fathers, children, brothers,
To your sweethearts, wives and mothers—

Welcome, brave Fourteenth!

Tears are moistening many faces
As they see the vacant places
In the worn and wasted column—
Ah! but war is sad and solemn!
Yet why weep for those who perished
In the cause they loved and cherished?
They who choose the stoutest burdens
Win the best and proudest guerdons.

From a war most just and holy,
Though its gold is coined but slowly;
With your frames all bruised and battered,
And your ranks all thinned and shattered;
To the friends who smile to meet you,
And the homes which wait to greet you—

Welcome, brave Fourteenth!

They have no Dry Good stores in

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION.

The citizens of Hudson are requested to meet in mass to receive the 14th Regiment, Col. McQuade, who have returned from their duty, and will arrive in this city tomorrow morning, per steamer Oregon. The Regiment will be escorted from the Boat to the City Hall at 6 o'clock a. m., and I would recommend as many of our citizens as can make it convenient to be on hand and escort them to the City Hall, their Headquarters, and at half past 9 the Procession will form in front of Washington Square, under direction of the Marshal and Aids, when, it is to be hoped, all our citizens will esteem it a privilege and pleasure to join the procession which is to escort the Regiment through our city.

And I would further recommend that all places of business, private residences, &c., be decorated with Flags, Banners, Evergreens, &c., and that the Ladies lend helping hand in giving them a welcome reception.

J. TEN BROECK, Mayor.

RETURN OF THE 14TH REGIMENT.—

At a meeting of the various committees having charge of the reception ceremonies, held last evening at the Common Council Room, a despatch was read announcing *positively* that the 14th Regiment, Col. McQuade, would leave New York to-night on the steamer Oregon. It is understood they will arrive here to-morrow morning, and will be met at the boat by

the committee and a delegation of citizens who will escort them to the City Hall, their Headquarters while in this city. It is understood a breakfast will be prepared for them, and if they remain with us till noon, a good dinner. At about 9 o'clock a. m. they are to march through our city, escorted by the Marshal, his Aides and a delegation of citizens.

It is to be hoped that our citizens, one and all, will respond heartily to the recommendations of our Mayor, and turn out and give the noble sons of Hudson, who return with this Regiment from the field of battle, covered with glory and honor, a hearty reception.

Let there be every demonstration to show them a hearty and proper welcome. Let dwellings and places of business be decorated, and bouquets be showered amongst them. Let the City Hall be festooned and loaded with the good things of the day for their refreshments. Let one and all *devote this one day* of preparation to compliment and please those who have devoted *two years* in fighting for our glorious country. Let every one who can, do something to help the reception along. The time is short, and it will be utterly impossible for committees to bring all things around unless they receive assistance from all quarters.

As many as can possibly bring things around to meet them at the boat, and escort them to the City Hall, should do so. At 9 o'clock, when the regular procession forms, let every man, woman and child be on hand.

The committee on invitation and music have extended invitations to the Valatie Band, Stockport Band, Copake Band, Claverack Band, and Scriber's Band of Albany. If they all come, and there is good reason to suppose they will, we shall certainly have a musical time of it.

The Fire Department of this city and also of Athens, the Military Companies of this city, the Cadets of Hudson River Institute, and all the Civic Societies of the city and county have been invited and will probably be present.

Should the weather prove favorable we shall expect to see more people in town to-morrow than can possibly be accommodated with comfortable quarters.

See programme in another column.

Col. McQUADE, of the 14th Regiment, some of whose soldiers were engaged in the attempt to break up the Vall-andigham meeting in Albany, authorizes the Atlas & Argus to say that he sympathizes with the objects of the gathering. — *Trou Times*.

The Times coins a base slander against one of the bravest men in the service. Col. McQUADE did *not* authorize the Atlas & Argus to say that he "sympathizes with the objects of the gathering" Saturday night; nor has that journal asserted that he did. If he gave any "authorization" at all, it was to say that he deprecated the violence complained of; and in saying this he but gave expression to the sentiments of nineteen-twentieths of our soldiers, both privates and officers. So far from having sympathy, he has only scorn and contempt for the cowardly crew who would open a "fire in the rear" while patriots are perilling their lives in the field.

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WM. BRYAN, F. H. WEL
Editors and Proprietors.

HUDSON, TUESDAY, MAY 19, 1863.

Reception of the Fourteenth Regiment

A Hearty Welcome to Brave Soldier !

Columbia County Honors those who
Honor her.

GRAND MILITARY AND CIVIC PROCESSION !

Two Ample Collations at the City Hall.

Address by Hon. Theo. Miller.

INTERESTING CEREMONIES AT THE WORTH HOUSE.

DEPARTURE OF THE REGIMENT.

DAY OF UNBOUNDED ENTHUSIASM !

There were many reasons why the return home of our first Volunteers, at the expiration of their term of enlistment, should be signalized by a public demonstration. They went from us at the first call of the Government, uninfluenced by pecuniary reward, seeking only that honorable distinction which every defender of his country is entitled to. They hastened to enroll themselves among the few brave thousands who answered promptly to the demands of an imperilled Government;—and having passed through an arduous season of discipline, were among the first to go into the ordeal of battle. Since then their names are associated with nearly all the memorable engagements of the successive campaigns in Virginia, even down to the advance of Gen. Hooker and his repulse at Chancellorsville. And while the Regiment has uniformly distinguished itself for efficiency and bravery, it is not to much too say that our own Company K has gained an honorable and peculiar reputation by its steadfast courage and gallant conduct on every battle-field. True,

the fickle fortunes of war, it has marvelously escaped in the loss of men actually killed—yet enough of its brave spirits have fallen to seal the devotion and heroism of all.

Such are the men who come back to us after two years of fatigue and hardship and deadly strife, grim with the smoke of battle, brown with exposure, war-worn and weary, with ranks decimated and colors riddled—real veterans in the cause which we advocate and they fight for. And shall we not welcome them home with a generous and heartfelt enthusiasm ?

THE PREPARATIONS.

As soon as it was known that the day for mustering the Regiment out of service had been positively fixed, our citizens were called together and arrangements were at once made (see proceedings elsewhere) to extend a befitting reception, not only to our own Company,

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but to the entire Regiment, if it could be persuaded to stop. The Common Council promptly appropriated the sum of \$200, and a committee of citizens was appointed to raise a still larger amount. A messenger was dispatched to Washington, who met the Regiment there and telegraphed an acceptance of the invitation on the part of Col. McQuade.—The Regiment would reach here on Friday morning. Notwithstanding the short notice, the most ample arrangements were made.—The ladies, ever on the alert for such occasions, came gladly forward, and in a few hours put the City Hall in a condition to receive the attacks of hungry soldiers. The Mayor issued a proclamation calling upon the citizens to unite in tendering a hearty welcome to the returning heroes, and messengers were dispatched to different parts of the County with posters to notify the inhabitants of the intended ceremonies.

THE RECEPTION.

Early on Friday morning the city was astir. The Regiment were reported at the Hudson River depot, and now and then a straggling soldier, in soiled uniform, passed along the street. At about 6 o'clock the ladies proceeded to the City Hall and completed the arrangements for breakfast. About the same time the Committee of Arrangements and a delegation of citizens met the Regiment at the Depot. At 7 o'clock, the Marshal and aids, with Schriever's fine band, formed an escort, and the soldiers were marched to the front of the City Hall, where they were drawn up in line. Col. McQuade and a portion of the officers then stepped upon the platform, and were formally welcomed by Mayor Ten Broeck as follows:

Col. McQuade, Officers and Soldiers of the 14th Regiment: On behalf of the Common Council and citizens of Hudson, I welcome you to the hospitalities of the city. We thank you for the noble service you have rendered in the effort to quell this rebellion, and take great pleasure in tendering you a grateful reception home. Again I welcome you to the hospitalities of our city.

To which Col. McQuade responded with equal brevity:

Mr. Mayor, and Citizens of Hudson: We accept with heartfelt pleasure the welcome which you so kindly offer us. The Fourteenth Regiment has endeavored to do its duty. It is perhaps one of the best Regiments in the service; and I may say that among its various Companies there are none more deserving of praise than Company K, of Hudson.

The whole Regiment were then marched into the Hall, where a choice collation, consisting of ham sandwiches, boiled eggs, coffee, pickles, etc. was spread upon half a dozen long tables, and a small regiment of ladies stood ready to wait upon them. At the word of command from their Colonel, the boys opened the assault. It was no longer "hard tack" and "salt junk," but light, fresh biscuit, (some 4000 of which were baked by W. S. & A. J. Rowles for the occasion) nice boiled ham and real coffee. They appeared to relish the change and were loud in their praise of Hudson hospitality, declaring that it was far ahead of anything they had yet experienced.

THE PROCESSION.

Soon after breakfast the grand procession formed in the following order:

Marshal and Aids on horseback.
Stockport Band

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Company A, 21st Regt., N. Y. S. M., numbering 25 men
The Hudson Fire Department,
Claverack Band,
Committee, Mayor and Common Council, on foot;
Schrieber's Band, of Albany,
Col. McQuade and Staff, on horseback.
THE SOLDIERS OF THE FOURTEENTH REGIMENT,
numbering 400 men,
with their battle-torn banner,
under which it is said six men have been shot,
but which has never fallen into the hands of the enemy,
and never suffered a stain of dishonor.

None could look upon that remnant of a devoted Regiment without a feeling of awe as well as admiration. They seemed invested with a glory which made "every man a hero." In their hands were the same guns, and above their heads the same banner which they had borne into the battle. Their faded uniforms and bronzed features told of exposures and hardships such as none but soldiers are called upon to experience. It was a spectacle, witnessed for the first time by this generation, long to be remembered.

Suspended across the street at the City Hall was a banner upon which was painted an eagle and the words—"14th Regiment, N. Y. S. V.,—Hanover Court House, Mechanicsville, Savage's Station, Gaines' Mill, White Oak Swamp, Malvern Hill, 2d Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredricksburg, Chancellorsville, representing the various battles in which they had participated. This banner, which was painted by Mr. Geo. L. Little, was, on the departure of the Regiment presented to Capt. Seymour.

After marching through the principal streets, greeted all the way with the enthusiasm of ringing bells, colors flying and handkerchiefs waving from almost every house, banners and devices of various kinds, the procession again halted in front of the City Hall and rested on their arms. The bugle summoned the officers together and Hon. Theo. Miller, standing at the entrance of the Hall, delivered the following address:

ADDRESS OF HON. THEO. MILLER.

Col. McQuade, Officers and Soldiers of the Fourteenth Regiment:

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