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CALIFORNIA SOCIETY



SAN FRANCISCO.

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California Society

of the

Sons of the American Revolution

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At San Francisco



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Historical.

COLONEL RICH'D H. SAVAGE, Chief Aid to GEN'L JOHN McCLURE, the Grand Marshal chosen by the citizens of the City and County of San Francisco to provide and in a fitting manner arrange for the celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, in his address, dated June 17th, 1875, to the people invoking their aid and co-operation, said:

"The next approach of the Ninety-Ninth Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence is the signal to invoke good citizens to aid in perfecting the arrangements for a fitting celebration of the Centennial day.

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"Without partisan or sectional bias, looking only to the glorious national achievements of the past, and to the prosperous future stretching far before us, let us, dwellers by the Western Sea, send back a loyal greeting to our fellow citizens nearer the birthplace of National Freedom.

"The first century of American freedom draws to its glorious close. Nicks and trials and struggles for existence have not shattered the noble basis of Republican self-government, cemented as it is by the blood of our Revolutionary forefathers. Looking backward to the early vicissitudes of our National existence, the American citizen sees in the high moral patriotism of the Revolution, the grandest model of duty and self-sacrifice. Let us fittingly honor the day, the men, the deed. The Declaration of America! its proclamation gave hope to suffering millions; its achievement has given happiness to a vast nation, in wealth and numbers, far surpassing the most sanguine hopes of the many heroes who fought for posterity, who died that we might be free. In grateful enjoyment of the freedom so dearly purchased, let us as a grateful body of fellow citizens forget any dividing line in the one proud boast that we are Americans."

One of the results of Col. Savage's appeal was the formation and appearance in the procession of a platoon of soldiers in continental dress, commanded by Capt. F. C. M. Fenn, who subsequently became a member of the California Society of the Sons of Revolutionary Sires.

The *Daily Alta* of July 6th, 1875, said of Capt. Fenn's

command: "It was a marked feature of the procession, and as they marched past in their antique uniform, some persons fancied that the procession was a pageant of the 17th century, rather than a celebration of this age of military and civic enlightenment." And further says: "The names of celebrated battle-fields and heroes of the Revolution, the second letters of the words entwined in evergreen wreaths, the scrolls suspended across the streets, were handsome and were generally admired."

The call issued by Col. Savage took root in fertile soil. For at about this period a few patriotic and enthusiastic citizens of San Francisco, descendants of the early emigrants and colonists of America, were quietly moving and endeavoring to bring to the notice of their immediate associates of American blood and birth, the duty of honoring the founders of the American nation, and of perpetuating the principles for which these heroes "pledged their lives and their sacred honor," and of producing a higher appreciation of the responsibilities and obligations of American citizenship.

Scarcely had the echoes of the celebration of Independence Day died away, when the sentiments aroused on that occasion assumed form and expression. A hundred days later, Friday evening, October 22nd, 1875, a meeting of descendants of soldiers, sailors, and patriots of the Revolutionary War was called at the office of Dr. James L. Cogswell, No. 230 Kearny Street, San Francisco. Among those present at this meeting were Major Edwin A. Sherman, Deputy D. S. Surveyor General for Nevada, Ira C. Root, Dr. P. W. Randle, Rush R. Randle, Joseph Wood, Dr. Leonard C. Willard and others, "who, when convened, did after consultation and due and proper consideration, proceed to formulate a plan of, and take preliminary steps for, the institution and organization of a society composed of descendants of soldiers, sailors and patriots of the Revolutionary War, or more strictly understood and known as the War of 1776, whose deeds of valor in the field, and services in the Council Chamber achieved the independence of the Colonies of the United States of America."

At this provisional meeting, Dr. P. W. Randle was elected President. Dr. Randle was born at Sparta, Georgia November 9th, 1806. His sire was Captain Josias Randle of the Virginia Line, who, for a time served as Aide de Camp to General Washington. With his father he removed to Illinois in 1810 and later received his education at Transylvania College, Kentucky. He served with Abraham Lincoln in the Black Hawk War and was a Surgeon in the Mexican War and during the War of the Rebellion. On December 19th, 1849, he arrived at San Francisco in the ship *Arkansas*, and in the latter years of his life was connected with the U. S. Mint at San Francisco where he died, January 13th, 1884. His remains were committed to mother earth by George H. Thomas Park No. 2, G. A. R., of which he was a member, in accordance with the customs of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The provisional organization thus initiated, known as the Society of Sons of Revolutionary Sires, was held well in count when on the 26th day of June, 1876, Centennial Year, the following card from a lady whose name is unknown, appeared in the *Daily Alta California*:-

SIR:-

Would it be a most novel but strikingly interesting idea in the programme of the procession for our City Centennial Celebration, to have represented our grand parents of the Revolution by the grand-children now living, residents of this city? There might not be a single grand-daughter, but no doubt there might be a score or more of grand-children.

Would it be splendid if enough could be found to represent every State of the Union, to ride in a car sufficiently large to carry them all, each carrying a small flag with the name of the State they represent, and the car designated the Revolutionary Grandchildren?

Two ladies of this is such an one, an elderly lady 55 years of age. I am the grand-daughter and the step granddaughter of six who have passed through that bloody struggle inaugurated by the Declaration, the anniversary of the signing of which we have celebrated for 99 years, and we are about to give unusual eclat to the Centennial Anniversary. One of these grand-parents lived to be 93 and 96 years of age; both received pensions from the U. S. Government; one of them never laid down her arms that terrible struggle for our liberty, being deprived of that privilege through the asthma contracted from taking colds, sleeping out in snow and rains, suffering and exposure.

One of these could be transported back to her native home in good old Massachusetts, almost in sight of Plymouth Rock, I could (I think I can) easily put my feet on the very spot where I have

stood with one of my grandmothers when she told me there was a time—my grandfather dropped his plow, rushed into the old town meeting—shouldered his musket, kissed her and his infant child (who was only about two years ago, just 100 years old) mounted his farm waggon and rushed from the plow, and while the terrible sounds of the musketry "To Arms! To Arms!" was ringing in my grandmother's ears he went across to Boston as a volunteer. All honor to our glorious patriots of to-day. I could tell many many incidents that they all have related to me, so green and fresh and heart stirring to-day to me as when I could hear them from their own lips, which I have told myself to myself—dear little child in this city to try to explain what the ideal of Liberty and Independence means. These things must be kept before the minds of our young and rising generation, for from some of them it will come the future support of the whole fabric so dearly won by the martyrs—whose cry—Liberty or Death—went up to the ears of a willing American Father to relieve us from tyranny and oppression—leading us hence for all to worship as they choose, and to buy, sell and get out what they will where they list.

If the General of the day thinks anything of this, I will let him see it—to tell him I want to go and carry the old Union Flag, my dear native home, which I have not seen for 14 years—I am the poor widow of one of the victims of the private war that has been living in obscurity.

Yours, &c.,

To the unknown correspondent of the *4th Dec.* (original) replied in the following communication:

REVOLUTIONARY DESCENDANTS.

Admiral M.:

The idea suggested by the great daughter of our old revolutionary Sons seems a capital one; and as I belong to the same generation with your correspondent, being the grand-son of one of the same old heroes, I shall be happy to have all who belong to this new rank drop in, office, No. 230 Kearny Street, and organize for two purposes.

Signed,

J. H. Cogswell.

San Francisco, June 28th, 1876.

The issue of the *4th* of June 28th contained the following local item (written by Geo. B. Mackrell, *San Francisco*):

"The grand-children of Revolutionary Heroes have been invited to meet at the office of Dr. Cogswell, 230 Kearny Street, and organize for the proper celebration of the day which their grandfathers fought to make the Republic's great national holiday—and it is our duty to do it."

and be free to display of their patriotism through any proper channel. We are open to them. This is the time to arouse the enthusiasm and to the patriotism of every son of freedom."

Pursuant to the call, a number of descendants of Revolutionary soldiers and sailors convened at the office of Dr. Chapin H., and agreed to connect themselves with the Society "planned and formulated" on the previous 22nd day of October, 1875, and to participate in the Centennial Anniversary of American Independence, the celebration of the day having been entrusted to a General Committee of leading citizens of San Francisco. At the request of the assembled Revolutionary descendants, the Grand Marshal issued the following invitation:

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ATTENTION DESCENDANTS OF REVOLUTIONARY PATRIOTS!

Headquarters Centennial Committee, 212 Kearny Street.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28th, 1876.

Various friends requested to meet at the Headquarters of the Grand Marshal, No. 212 Kearny Street, at 8 o'clock p. m., on Thursday, June 28th, for the purpose of making arrangements to participate in the celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Nation's Independence.

CHARLES L. WIGGIN,

Chief of Staff to the Grand Marshal.

On the same date of the issuance of the above invitation, the *After*, through its local column, called attention of descendants of Revolutionary Sires to the approaching celebration in those words:

"Descendants of the Revolutionary patriots in this city are requested to meet at Headquarters of the Grand Marshal, No. 212 Kearny Street, at eight o'clock this evening, for the purpose of making arrangements to participate in the Centennial Celebration."

The foregoing request met with a hearty response, there being present about twenty-five persons claiming the distinction and honor of being enrolled as descendants of Revolutionary sires, and arrangements were perfected for having a picnic on Independence Day following. An adjournment to meet at the Palace Hotel Saturday evening July 1st, was then taking.

At the adjourned meeting the action to have a parade on July 4th, was concurred in by almost thirty additional Eligibles for membership who were present, the whole forming a nucleus for a promising parade on Independence Day. When the glorious day arrived there were no less than eighty-two names enrolled, eight of whom were actual Sons of Revolutionary Soldiers; but at the present writing only one of the latter—John R. Robinson—is still borne on the rolls and is a member of the Board of Managers.

The parade attracted a great deal of attention, the line of march starting from the Palace Hotel at 9.30 a.m. and passing through the principal streets, everywhere receiving that homage which would naturally fall to the descendants of those whose services destroyed the yoke of tyranny and made the glorious stars and stripes the symbol of a land of freedom in perpetuity. After the parade the little band returned to the Palace Hotel and there joined in and more fully completed its organization as planned and formulated October 22nd, 1875.

Now a word as to the objects of this society. From its very inspiration the promoters of the California Society planned that the organization should be made *Notum* in its attributes, and among other objects its first constitution provided for the organization of "auxiliary, correspond branches and representative bodies." The California organization was perfected July 4, 1876, or seven years prior to the formation of any similar organization in any State in the Union.

This plain statement of existing facts should forever set at rest its claim for dominance in point of life, and as all permanent bodies must possess parentage, so did the California organization become the sire of all assimilated branches and will forever remain as such despite all quibbling to the contrary.



PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT.

October 22nd, 1875.

DR. PETER WILKINS RANDLE.

Died January 13th, 1884.

PRESIDENTS.

GEN'L ALBERT M. WINN,

Died August 26th, 1883.

HON. CALFB T. FAY,

Died April 20th, 1885.

CAPT. AUGUSTUS C. TAYLOR

Died September 3rd, 1891.

LORING PICKERING.

Died December 28th, 1893.

COL. A. S. HUBBARD.

JNO. W. MOORE. U. S. N.

J. ESTCOURT SAWYER, U. S. A.

LIFE MEMBERS.

GEN'L ULYSSES S. GRANT.

Died June 23rd, 1885.

HENRY MULFAN MARTIN.

Died April 5th, 1880.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

HON. HAMILTON FISH.

GEN'L RUTHERFORD B. HAYES.

Died January 11th, 1889.

BENSON J. LOSSING, LL. D.,

Died June 11th, 1891.

GEN'L ALEX. S. WEBB,

HON. LUCIUS P. DEMING,

MAJOR GEO. B. HALSTEAD,

JAMES C. CHESAP, Lieut. U. S. A.

GEN'L BENJAMIN HARRISON,

HON. GROVER CLEVELAND.

*Delegate to the Organizing Convention, held at
Peabody's Tavern, N. Y. City, April 30th, 1889*

HON. HAMILTON FISH,

COL. A. S. HUBBARD,

COL. DAVID WILDER,

Died Dec. 11, 1890.

MAJOR GEO. B. HALSTEAD.

Alternates.

GEN'L R. B. HAYES,

Died January 17th, 1893.

HON. CHAS. H. DENISON,

CHAS. JAS. KING, of Wm.

*Delegate to the First National Congress, held at
Concord, Kentucky, April 30th, 1890*

COL. A. S. HUBBARD,

GEN'L ALEX. S. WEEB,

Delegate at Large.

COL. DAVID WILDER,

Died Dec. 11, 1890.

Alternates.

HENRY HALL,

COL. URIAH WALLACE.

*Delegate to the Second National Congress, held at
Hartford, Conn., April 30th, 1891.*

COL. A. S. HUBBARD,

CHAS. J. KING.

HENRY McLEAN MARTIN.

Delegate at Large.

WILLIAM MOORE, of Montana, April 5th, 1891, while enroute to attend
the Congress.

Alternates.

HENRY HALL,

JESSE W. MOORE, U. S. N.,

CAPT. FRANK K. UPHAM, U. S. A.

*Delegates to the Third National Congress held at
New York City, April 30th, 1892*

JNO. W. MOORE, U. S. N.
CHAS. E. BLAKE, Sr.,
HON. LUCIUS P. DEMING,
Delegate at Large

Alternates.

J. ESTCOURT SAWYER, U. S. A.
CAPT. FRANK K. UPHAM, U. S. A.
CAPT. LUCIUS A. MUNGER.

*Delegates to the Meeting for Conference between
S. A. R. and S. R., held at New York City
February 16th, 1893.*

JNO. W. MOORE, U. S. N.
CHAS. E. BLAKE, Sr.,
HON. LUCIUS P. DEMING,
Delegate at Large

Alternates.

LIEUT. JAMES C. CRESAP, U. S. N.
MAJOR GEO. B. HALSTEAD.
J. ESTCOURT SAWYER, U. S. A.

*Delegates to the Fourth National Congress held at
New York City, April 30th, 1893, and a
journe'd Congress in Chicago, June 16th, 1893.*

J. ESTCOURT SAWYER, U. S. A.
CHAS. JAS. KING,
HON. LUCIUS P. DEMING,
Delegate at Large
COL. A. S. HUBBARD.

Alternates.

LIEUT. JAS. C. CRESAP, U. S. N.
T. WORTHINGTON HUBBARD,
CAPT. LUCIUS A. MUNGER,
CHAS. E. BLAKE, Sr.



The California Society OF THE Sons of the American Revolution

THE REGULAR MEETING ASSEMBLED ON THIS 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1892, THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TREATY OF PARIS - WHEREBY KING GEORGE III. ACKNOWLEDGED THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BE FREE, SOVEREIGN AND INDEPENDENT STATES.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED AT THE LAST REGULAR MEETING TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT CONCERNING THE HISTORY OF THIS SOCIETY AND MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH, ON MOTION OF THE REV. CHAS. MORRIS DOCKE, U. S. A., SECONDED BY MR. CHAS. D. WALLACE, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVE -

1st. That the Society places on record, that its existence to-day is due to the zeal, untiring devotion, and unceasing labors of Past President A. S. HUBBARD, who aided in its inception, and has almost single-handed brought the Society through trials and discouragements which beset all new Societies, to its present prosperous condition; therefore it recognizes him as the Founder of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and therefore Founder of the Society at large.

2nd. That the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is earnestly requested in its proceedings and publications to recognize A. S. HUBBARD as the Founder of the California Society and therefore Founder of the Society at large, an honor which by his patriotic labors he merited, and to which he is justly entitled.

3rd. That a copy of these resolutions, also a copy of said report as orally expressed, be transmitted to GEN. HORACE PORTER, President General, also to the Secretary General with the request that they be made a part in a supplementary form in the Proceedings of the 3rd Annual Congress.

4th. That the HON. LUCIUS P. DEMING, the Society's Delegate at Large, is respectfully requested to use his official and personal influence to bring the above properly before the National Society, and that he append a copy of the action of the Society taken this day in the National Archives.

5th. That in appreciation of the long continued and valuable services rendered to the California Society by Past President HUBBARD, there be appropriated from the Treasury a sum sufficient to purchase a medal of the first class with the following words engraved thereon:

Presented to COL. A. S. HUBBARD, Founder of the California Society
C. & R. to his compatriots of the Society, July 14th, 1892.

Respectfully,
Secretary.

JOHN W. MOORE, Chief Engineer U. S. N.
President.



The California Society OF THE Sons of the American Revolution

IN REGULAR MEETING ASSEMBLED ON THIS 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1892, THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TREATY OF PARIS, WHEREBY KING GEORGE III. ACKNOWLEDGED THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BE FREE, SOVEREIGN AND INDEPENDENT STATES—
EX-PRESIDENT A. S. HUBBARD PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION AND RESOLUTION, WHICH WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED:

WHEREAS, THE NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION in defining the requisite qualifications for membership provides that any woman "*who is descended from an ancestor who rendered faithful loyalty rendered material aid to the cause of independence, as a recognized patriot, as soldier or sailor, or as a civil officer, in any of the several colonies or states, or of the united colonies or states, from 1763 to 1783*" MOTHER OF SUCH A PATRIOT, *is eligible to said Society.*" And

WHEREAS, THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION consider the qualifications for membership the same, as well as the bulwark of the organization, and believing that the dignity of the Society would be better enhanced by a strict observance of the letter of lineal descent, as first intended and formulated by the founders of the Order of the SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, and conscious with more than ordinary dismay the slackening of the fabric of loyalty and departure from the first principles of the Order, as promulgated by its originators, by admitting to membership others than those of "true descent," THEREFORE BE IT

Resolved, That we most earnestly request the DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, at their next Continental Congress, to decide from their constitution the words: "*or from the mother of such a patriot.*" Be it further

Resolved, That the President and Secretary of this Society, shall cause a copy of this resolution to be brought to the attention of the officers and members of the National Society of the DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION with the request that immediate action be taken thereon. Also, that a copy be furnished to the "American Monthly" for publication.

ROBERT S. GRAY,

Secretary.

JNO. W. MOORE,

Corresponding Secretary.

The California Society

OF THE

Sons of the American Revolution.

At a special meeting of the Board of Managers held on Saturday, March 4th, 1893, the 117th Anniversary of the opening of the Siege of Boston, Past President A. S. HUBBARD presented the following Preamble and Resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved. That the initiatory and preliminary steps for the institution and organization of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution were taken Friday, October 22nd, 1875, which fact is established by sworn statements and documentary proof on file in the archives of the Society (which evidence can be further supplemented by oral testimony). Therefore

Resolved. That this Society claims October 22nd, 1875, as its natal day, and upon the papers hereafter issued by this Society shall in suitable form appear the following statement in substance:

That the CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION was organized October 22nd, 1875). The first body in inception, institution and organization to unite the descendants of Revolutionary patriots and preserve and maintain the memory of all those who took part in the American Revolution and maintained the Independence of the United States of America. Be it further

Resolved. That a copy of this preamble and resolution be transmitted to the past and present officers of the National and State Societies of the Sons of the American Revolution; to all past and present officers of the National Society and Subordinate Chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution; to the officers of the General and State Societies of the Sons of the Revolution; to the officers of the General and State Societies of the Daughters of the Revolution; to the Diplomatic Representatives of the United States residing in foreign countries; Order of the Cincinnati; to the American Historical Association and State Historical and Genealogical Societies; to the Commandery in Chief and State Commanderies of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States; to the U. S. Military and Naval Institutions; General Society of the War 1812; The Astec Society, and to such publications as are specially interested in the objects of our research and labors.

ROBERT S. GRAY,

Secretary.

J. ESTCOURT SAWYER,

Lieut. U. S. A.,

President

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
California Society of the
Sons of the American Revolution.



PREAMBLE.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. Instituted October 22nd, 1875. The first forty in inception, institution and organization, to unite the descendants of Revolutionary patriots and perpetuate in memory of *all* those who took part in the American Revolution and maintained the Independence of the United States of America. It was fully and completely organized on the 4th of July, 1876 under the name of "SONS OF REVOLUTIONARY SIRS." On the 30th of April, 1889, a number of similar co-equal Societies of different States formed a general Society under the name of "THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION," in which movement this Society heartily co-operated and changed its name to the *California* Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, under which latter name it has been since known.



CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

SECTION I. The name of this Society is "THE CALIFORNIA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION."

ARTICLE II.

OBJECTS.

SECTION I. The objects of this Society shall be to unite and promote fellowship among the descendants, and perpetuate the memory of the men who, by their services or sacrifices during the War of the American Revolution, achieved the Independence of the American people; to inspire among the members of the Society and the community at large a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution; to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of Revolutionary patriots, and documents, relics and landmarks connected with the War; to mark the scenes of the Revolu-

lution by appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the War; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and to carry out the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American people.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. Any man shall be eligible to membership in this Society, who, being of the age of 21 years or over, and a citizen of good repute in the community, is the lineal descendant of an ancestor, who, while at all times unfailing in his loyalty, rendered actual service in the cause of American Independence, either as an officer, soldier, seaman, marine, militiaman or minute man, in the armed forces of the Continental Congress or of any one of the several Colonies or States; or as a Signer of the Declaration of Independence, or as a member of a Committee of Safety or Correspondence, or as a member of any Continental, Provincial, or Colonial Congress or Legislature; or as a civil officer, either of one of the Colonies or States or of the national government; or as a recognized patriot, who performed actual service by overt acts of rebellion against the authority of Great Britain.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The Officers of the Society shall be a President, a Senior Vice-President, a Junior Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Registrar, a Marshal and a Board of Managers consisting of the above mentioned and six other members, who shall be elected by a vote of the majority of the members present at the annual meeting of the society, and who shall hold office for one year or until their successors shall be elected.

SEC. 2. Delegates and alternates to the Congress of the National Society shall be elected at the same meeting.

ARTICLE V.

MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The regular meetings of the Society shall be held at noon on the 22nd day of February, the anniversary of the birth of George Washington; on the nineteenth of April the anniversary of the Battle of Lexington; on the 4th of July, the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence; on the 3rd of September, the anniversary of the Treaty of Peace with Great Britain; and on the 19th of October, the anniversary of the surrender of Yorktown; except when either of these dates shall fall on Sunday, in which case the meeting shall be held on the following day.

SEC. 2. The meeting of the 22nd of February shall be the annual meeting.

SEC. 3. Special meetings may be called by the President or Board of managers at any time.

SEC. 4. The President shall call a special meeting whenever requested in writing so to do by five or more members.

SEC. 5. General business may be transacted at any special meeting.

ARTICLE VI.

AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. Amendments to this Constitution may be offered at any meeting of the Society, but shall not be acted on until the next meeting.

SEC. 2. A copy of every proposed amendment shall be sent to each member, with a notice of the meeting at which the same is to be acted on, at least one week prior to said meeting.

SEC. 3. A vote of two-thirds of those present shall be necessary to the adoption of any amendment.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. All application for membership in this Society shall be made in duplicate, on blank forms furnished by the National Society; and each application shall be accompanied by five Dollars (\$5.00), being the membership fee and the dues for the current Society year within which the application is presented, which shall be returned if the applicant is not accepted.

SEC. 2. No application for membership shall be received wherein the applicant does not clearly establish direct lineal descent from an ancestor who participated in establishing American Independence, as required by Article III of our Constitution.

SEC. 3. Applications for membership shall be received by the Secretary, submitted to the Registrar for examination, and shall be reported by the latter to the Board of Managers for action. When approved by said Board, the applicant shall become a member of the Society. One copy of each application shall be retained by the Registrar for preservation, and the duplicate forwarded to the Registrar General of the National Society.

SEC. 4. 1. The membership fee shall be two dollars and the yearly dues shall be three dollars. The payment of fifty dollars by a member at any one time, or the payment of annual dues for thirty consecutive years, shall constitute the person paying such sum a life member, and he shall thereafter be exempt from the payment of annual dues.

2. Annual dues shall be paid to the Secretary on or before the 22nd day of February in each year, and non-payment of dues for two successive years shall be regarded as terminating the membership of the delinquent.

3. In extreme cases, the Board of Managers may by vote remit the unpaid annual dues of a delinquent member.

4. Members dropped for non-payment of dues may be restored to full membership by payment of such sums as were in arrears at the time of the termination of membership, provided there are no charges unbecoming a gentleman recorded against him remaining undetermined or determined finally against him.

SEC. 5. Sons of those who actually participated in the War of the Revolution, and thereby assisted in establishing American Independence, as referred to in Article III of the Constitution, may be admitted to full membership in this Society without payment of membership fee or yearly dues, they having complied with all the other requirements of those belonging to a later generation.

SEC. 6. Honorary membership may be conferred upon the Governor and Ex-Governors of the State of California, and upon distinguished individuals for services rendered in the army or navy of the United States, or for contributions to the Society; who shall not be subject to dues or entitled to vote or hold office, but may take part in debate and be entitled to the honors of re-unions and celebrations, provided they are eligible to membership in the Society.

SEC. 7. The President, or in his absence the Senior Vice-President, or in his absence the Junior Vice-President, or in his absence a Chairman pro-tempore, shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and of the Board of Managers. He shall enforce a strict observance of the Constitution and By-Laws, and perform such other duties as custom and parliamentary usage may require.

SEC. 8. 1. The Secretary shall receive all monies from the members and pay them over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same. He shall conduct the general correspondence of the Society, shall have charge of the Seal, Certificate of Incorporation, By-Laws and Records, and, together with the presiding officer, shall certify all acts of the Society.

2. He shall keep fair and accurate records of all pro-

ceedings and orders of the Society, and shall give notice to the several officers of all votes, orders, resolves or proceedings affecting them or appertaining to their respective duties.

3. He shall notify all members of their election, and shall, under the direction of the President, give due notice of the time and place of all meetings of the Society and attend the same.

4. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and payments, and of the accounts of the members with the Society, and at each annual meeting shall report the same, at which time a Committee shall be appointed to audit his accounts.

SEC. 9. The Treasurer shall receive from the Secretary all monies belonging to the Society, giving his receipt for the same; these funds shall be deposited in a reliable Bank or Savings Institution in the city of San Francisco, to the credit of "The California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution," and shall be drawn thence on the check of the Treasurer for the use of the Society only, as directed by vote of the Society or by the Board of Managers, upon the order of the Secretary and the certificate of the President. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and payments, and at each annual meeting shall report the same, at which time a committee shall be appointed to audit his accounts.

SEC. 10. 1. The Registrar shall keep a roll of members and in his hands shall be lodged all proofs of membership qualification, and the historical and genealogical papers—manuscript or otherwise—of which the Society may become possessed; and under the direction of the Board of Managers shall keep copies of such similar documents as the owners thereof may not be willing to leave permanently in the keeping of the Society. He shall receive all applications for membership and proofs of membership-qualifications from the Secretary, shall carefully scrutinize and verify all statements of the Revolutionary services of ancestors that they may be made in the applications, and shall report his findings in each case to the Board of Managers.

2. The Registrar shall, if practicable, be some person connected with the California Historical Society.

SEC 11. 1 The Board of Managers shall consist of thirteen members, viz: the President, Senior and Junior Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Marshal, *ex officio*, and six others, elected as provided by the Constitution.

2. They shall judge of the qualifications of the candidates for admission to the Society, and elect the same, two negative votes rejecting the applicant.

3. They shall recommend plans for promoting the objects of the Society, shall digest and prepare business, and shall authorize the disbursement and expenditure of unappropriated money in the treasury for the payment of current expenses of the Society. They shall generally superintend the interests of the Society, and perform all such duties as may be committed to them by the Society.

4. They shall have power to fill any vacancy occurring or existing in the Society, and an officer so appointed shall act until the following annual election, or until his successor shall be chosen.

5. At each annual meeting of the Society the Board shall make a general report.

6. At all meetings of the Board of Managers, five or more shall be sufficient for the transaction of business.

SEC 12. The Seal of this Society shall be the same as that of the "National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, organized April 30, 1889," with the addition of an inner circle, three-sixteenths of an inch wide, bearing the following legend, "California Society, S. A. R., organized July 4, 1876."

SEC 13. No alteration or amendment of the By-Laws of this Society shall be made unless openly proposed at a previous meeting and entered in the minutes with the name of the member proposing the same, and shall be adopted by majority of the members present at a meeting of the Society.

Membership Roll.

- No. 1. WILDER, Col. DAVID. Died December 11th, 1890.
Great-grandson Major David Wilder, Eighth Regiment
Massachusetts State Troops.
- No. 2. EASTIN, WM. B.
Grandson Wm. Eastin, Sergeant in the Virginia Line.
- No. 3. HUBBARD, A. S.
Great-grandson Ensign Peter Hubbard, New Hampshire
State Troops. Died May 19th, 1809.
Great-grandson Jeremiah Willson, Capt. Whitecomb's Com-
pany, Col. Reed's Regiment, New Hampshire Militia. U.
S. Pensioner. Died 1834.
Great-great-grandson Lieutenant Isaac Clark, New Hamp-
shire Troops.
Great-grandson Elijah Ward, private in Capt. Twogood's Com-
pany, Col. Nixon's Regiment, Continental Army. Mass-
achusetts Line. U. S. Pensioner. Died 1832.
- No. 4. WALLACE, Col. URIAH.
Grandson Lieutenant Uriah Wallace, New York State
Troops.
- No. 5. KING, CHAS. J.
Great-grandson John Libbey, Capt. Arnold's Company, Col.
Wingate's Regiment, New Hampshire State Troops.
Great-grandson John DeMier, Capt. Hitchcock's Company,
Eleventh Regiment, New York State Troops.
- No. 6. MARTIN, HENRY McLEAN. Died April 5th, 1891.
Great-grandson Lieutenant Nathan Holt, Third New Hamp-
shire Regiment.
Great-grandson Capt. Josiah Crosby, who participated in the
Lexington Alarm, Mass. troops.
- No. 7. TAYLOR, CAPT. A. C. Died September 3rd, 1891.
Son James Taylor. Private Soldier, Capt. Daniel's Com-
pany 6th, Mass. Continental Regiment. U. S. Pensioner.
Captain in the Vermont Line, war 1812.
- No. 8. MECKER, DAVID, JR.
Great-grandson Lieutenant Obadiah Mecker.
Great-grandson Abraham Harrison, New Jersey Line.

- No. 9. McHENRY, JOHN.
Grandson Jesse McHenry, North Carolina State Troops
- No. 10. NORCROSS, DANIEL.
Grandson John Norcross, New Jersey Troops.
- No. 11. SPARK, JOHN F. Alameda, Cal.
Great-grandson General John Stark.
- No. 12. STARK, JEROME B. Alameda, Cal.
Great-grandson General John Stark.
- No. 13. HALE, WM. E. San Quentin, Cal.
Grandson Dr. Wm. E. Hale, Surgeon First New Hampshire Regiment.
- No. 14. HOGBOOM, LAWRENCE V. Alameda, Cal.
Grandson Jacob Hogeboom, New York State Troops.
- No. 15. WINTER, WM. Died November 6th, 1890.
Grandson Ensign John Winter, New Jersey State Troops.
- No. 16. ADAMS, FRANK H.
Great-grandson Ensign John Winter, New Jersey State Troops.
- No. 17. MEEKER, DAVID, SR. Died May 24th, 1891.
Grandson Lieutenant Obadiah Meeker, New Jersey State Troops.
- No. 18. AXTELL, WALTER MONTEREY.
Grandson Henry Axtell, Sergeant Washington's Body-guard
- No. 19. CRARY, REV. B. F.
Grandson John Crary, Capt. Strong's Company, New York State Troops.
- No. 20. MOSES, WM. S.
Grandson Benjamin Carpenter, New York State Troops
- No. 21. CLEVELAND, HON. DANIEL. San Diego, Cal.
Grandson Stephen Cleveland, Capt. Durkee's Artillery Company, Connecticut State Troops. U. S. Pensioner.
- No. 22. GRAY, ROSCOE S.
Great-grandson John Gray, member of the Committee for Public Safety for Kings District, New York.
- No. 23. HUBBARD, T. WORTHINGTON. Glen Ellyn, Ill.
Great-great-grandson Ensign Peter Hubbard, New Hampshire State Troops.
Great-great-grandson Elijah Ward, private in Capt. Two-good's Company, Col. Nixon's Regiment, Continental Army, Massachusetts Line.
Great-grandson Valentine Holt, Capt. Barrow's Company Col. Nichol's Regiment, New Hampshire Militia.

- No. 24. SMITH, TIMOTHY R. Oakland, Cal.
Grandson Benjamin Smith, private in Capt. Pitt's Company,
Col. Timothy Walker's Regiment, Massachusetts State
Troops.
- No. 25. ROBINSON, JOHN R.
Son Capt. Noah Robinson, Col. Enoch Poor's Regiment, New
Hampshire State Troops. Died Feb. 10, 1827.
Capt. Robinson's commissions, signed by John Hancock and
John Jay, are in possession of his son.
- No. 26. SHAFTER, JAMES McML. Died August 29th, 1892.
Grandson James Shafter, Vermont State Troop.
- No. 27. WALLACE, CHAS. D.
Grandson Lieutenant Uriah Wallace, New York State
Troops.
- No. 28. BLAKE, REV. CHAS. M. U. S. A.
Grandson Capt. John Blake, Col. Rufus Putnam's Regiment
Massachusetts's Troops.
- No. 29. HOLLADAY, EDMUND BURKE.
Grandson Lieutenant Daniel Cresap, Jr., Cresap's Maryland
Rifles.
- No. 30. MATHEWS, HENRY E.
Great-grandson David Hollister, drummer-boy Connecticut
Troops at the Lexington Alarm.
Great-grandson Jason Kellogg, Capt. Bowers's Company
Col. Fellows's Regiment, Massachusetts Line.
- No. 31. FERNALD, HON. CHAS. Santa Barbara, Cal. Died July 7th, 1892.
Grandson Hercules A. Fernald, Massachusetts Line.
- No. 32. MUNGER, LUCIUS A.
Great-grandson Capt. James Munger, Seventh Regiment
Connecticut Militia.
- No. 33. MOORE, JOHN W. U. S. N.
Great-grandson Lieutenant Benj. Mooers, Adjutant Hazzard's
"Congress Own" Regiment. Original Member of the or-
der of the Cincinnati.
Great-grandson Nathaniel Platt, Smith's Regiment, New York
Troops.
Grandson Lieutenant Pliny Moore, Adjutant Col. Willcutt's
Regiment, New York Levies.
Great-great-grandson Col. Zephaniah Platt, Colonel of "As-
sociated Exempts," and Member of the Provincial Con-
gress of New York in 1775.

- No. 34. ANDERSON, DR. CHAS. Santa Barbara, Cal.
Grandson Lieut. Col. Richard C. Anderson, Virginia Line
Member of the Order of the Cincinnati.
- No. 35. UPHAM, CAPT. FRANK K. U. S. A.
Great-grandson Joseph Upham, Committee Public Safety,
Member Massachusetts State Convention 1776 to frame a
Constitution.
- No. 36. SPENCER, GEO. W.
Grandson Daniel Starr, Lieut. U. S. Frigate Trumbull. Died
of wounds received in line of action June 5th, 1780.
- No. 37. CABELL, HENRY C. U. S. A.
Great-grandson Col. Nicholas Cabell, Virginia Line.
Transferred to the Oregon and Washington Society S. A. R.,
January 26th, 1882.
- No. 38. SAWYER, JAMES ESTCOURT. U. S. A.
Grandson Ensign James Sawyer, Jackson's Regiment, Mass-
achusetts Line. Was in Col. Hamilton's Command at the
Storming of the Redoubt at Yorktown and Surrender of
Cornwallis.
Original member of the Society of the Cincinnati.
Great-grandson Lieut. Col. Ephraim Sawyer, who was at
Ticonderoga and Crown Point in 1759. At the outbreak
of the War of the Revolution raised a company of Min-
ute Men. Was Major of Col. Asa Whitcomb's Regiment
at the Battle of Bunker Hill, and Lieutenant Colonel at
the capture of Burgoyne and Saratoga.
- No. 39. WARNER, CHAS. H.
Great-grandson Lieut. Wm. Talcott, Wells's Regiment Con-
necticut Troops.
- No. 40. HUNTER, HENRY HOFF.
Great great-grandson, Col. James Hunter, Massachusetts
troops.
Great-great-grandson Col. Killiam VanRensseler, New
York Line.
- No. 41. CORLISS, CAPT. A. W. U. S. A.
Great-grandson Joshua Corliss, a Minute Man in Capt. Benj.
Emerson's Company, Massachusetts Militia.
- No. 42. RANDOLPH, REV. THOS. LYMAN.
Grandson Col. Daniel Lyman, President Rhode Island
Society Order of Cincinnati.
Great-grandson Benj. Harrison the Signer.
- No. 43. VANDERCOOK, ROBERTS.
Grandson Ensign Simon Vandercook, Col. Yates's Regiment,
New York Militia.

- No. 44. HUNTER, MAJ. EDW. U. S. A.
Great-grandson Col. James Hunter, Massachusetts Troops.
Discharged November 20th, 1782.
- No. 45. ANDREWS, REV. J. B. Santa Cruz, Cal.
Grandson Conrad Remmey, Capt. John Pugh's Company
Thirteenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Troops.
- No. 46. PHELPS, THOS. S., JR., U. S. N.
Great-grandson Col. Thos. Nixon, Continental Army, Mass-
achusetts Line.
- No. 47. CLARK, DR. EDW. S. Alameda, Cal.
Great-grandson Capt. Stephen Clark, New Hampshire Troops.
- No. 48. FRANKLIN, WM. SEWARD.
Great-grandson Lieut. Col. Peter Slade, Massachusetts Line.
- No. 49. ROYCE, CHAS. C. Chico, Cal.
Great-grandson Lieut. Jonas (Rice) Royce, Capt. Blakeslee's
Company, Col. William's Regiment, Vermont Troops.
- No. 50. WALTON, MARTIN C.
Great-grandson Dr. John Young, Surgeon Willet's Regiment,
Tryon County, New York Militia.
- No. 51. BOOTH, LUCIUS A.
Grandson Walter Booth, Connecticut Troops. U. S. Pen-
sioner.
- No. 52. MCKINSTRY, ELISHA WILLIAMS.
Grandson Lieutenant Chas. McKinstry, VanNess's Regiment,
New York Troops.
- No. 53. DAYTON, JOHN H. Ensign U. S. N.
Great-great-grandson Capt. John Dayton, Suffolk County,
New York Militia.
- No. 54. BIGELOW, CHAS. E. Santa Barbara, Cal.
Great-grandson Capt. John Richardson, member of the
General Court of Massachusetts, 1776-77.
- No. 55.
- No. 56. LAUMAN, GEO.
Great-grandson Capt. Christopher Lanman, Col. Dayton
Jamieson's Regiment, York County, Pennsylvania Militia.
- No. 57. DINSMORE, REV. J. W., D. D. San Jose, Cal.
Grandson Capt. James Anderson, Pennsylvania Troops. Origi-
nal Member of the Order of Cincinnati.

No. 58. ADAMS, FRANK THURSTON. U. S. N.
Great great-grandson Sergeant Henry Mason Ensign and
Daniel Billings.

Great-great-great-grandson Capt. John Williams and Eliza-
beth Perkins, Connecticut Militia.

No. 59. COGSWELL, DR. JAS. L.

Grandson Amos Cogswell, private soldier Connecticut Troops
in the Lexington Alarm. U. S. Pensioner, 1832

No. 60. WHITNEY, JAMES O.

Great grandson Samuel Senter. Capt. George Reid's Com-
pany, Stark's Regiment, New Hampshire State Troops.

No. 61. BURNHAM, DR. CLARK J.

Great great great-grandson Capt. James Burnham, and
Great-great-grandson Seth Burnham, Massachusetts
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