

Head-Quarters, Post 19, G. A. R.

To the Members of the Union League of Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, MAY 15TH, 1869.

Gentlemen:

The day set apart for the decoration of our Soldiers graves will soon be here; and our desire as comrades is, to make the occasion as impressive and successful as possible. We, the living soldiers of the Grand Armies that fought, feel that the sacred duty of throwing Flowers on the Graves of the fallen, belongs to us.

As an organization, the Grand Army of the Republic is not wealthy; its treasury being kept low by the constant demands of the soldiers' widows and orphans, or the unfortunate comrade. Money in considerable sums will be needed to secure proper Equipments, purchase Flowers, engage Bands, and defray the many expenses incident to such an occasion in a city where there are a dozen Grave Yards, the sleeping places of Five Thousand Comrades. In our anxiety for aid we turn to you; feeling, that as in the days gone past, you will respond to the appeal of the soldier. We remember with pride and gratitude your noble co-operation with us in the dark days of war, and are sanguine that it will ever be with us in peace. Scores of the dead in our Cemeteries were members of the League Army which you equipped and forwarded to the defence of our common country.

The undersigned have been appointed a Committee to call on you, either of whom are authorized to collect and receipt for such sums as you may see fit to contribute. The receipt you will please enclose to the Commander of Post 19, G. A. R., Maj. A. R. Calhoun, 819 Arch Street, who will acknowledge all Monies through the principal City Papers, and thus guard against fraud. We pray that our appeal may meet with the response it deserves, and the decoration be worthy of the occasion.

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