

GRANT MONUMENT ASSOCIATION,

MILLS BUILDING, No. 15 BROAD ST.,

NEW YORK.

November 13, 1896.

Dear Sir:-

In our conversation upon the subject some time ago, I understood you to say that in the month of December you would see to getting an adequate appropriation to enable the city to make proper provision for conducting the ceremonies in connection with the inauguration of the Grant Monument, and the turning it over to the city, on the 27th of April next.

I write you now simply to ask you to bear the matter in mind at the proper time.

Very truly yours,

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor,

City Hall,

New York City.

Horace Porter
President.

HENRY HALL, PRESIDENT
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Dear Mr. Hooper

Can you tell me whether
the Mayor has named the Committee
of citizens to participate in
the celebration of the transfer
to the City of Genl Grant's
Museum?

If these Committee have
been named, and a list of
the members is obtainable,
we should be much indebted
for one.

Yours truly

W. Rossiter

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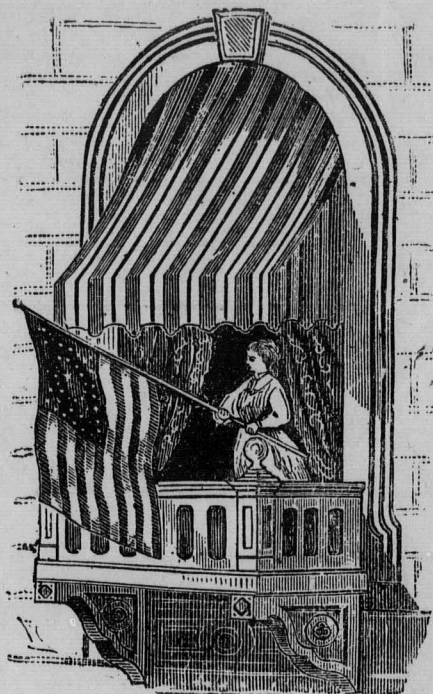
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Mayor New York City,
New York.
Honorable sir:

I wish to visit your city during the unveiling of the Grant monument. I have never been there and wish a map and guid of Greater New York. Any information you may see fit to give me as to where I could get same would be thankfully received
By;

Respect' Yours
St. W. Hoque
So. New Berlin
New York.

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Hon. Mayor Strong

Dear Sir:

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Remain Yours Resp

M. Magee & Son

GRANT MONUMENT ASSOCIATION,

MILLS BUILDING, No. 15 BROAD ST.,

NEW YORK.

February 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter, and will look over and consider the suggestions you make in regard to the bill for maintaining the Grant Monument, and communicate with you further. I write you hurriedly to say that the other bill should provide for making April 27th a holiday and not a half holiday, and should include Brooklyn and Westchester County. Bills heretofore that did not include the latter two territories had to be changed. The troops and civic organizations that will move in the procession will have to assemble by 10 o'clock in the morning, as the exercises should not begin later than 1 or 2 o'clock to get them over for the troops to return home. For the above reasons the functions could not take place unless we had a whole holiday.

Very truly yours,

Signed, Horace Porter.

John Proctor Clarke, Esq.,

Office of Corporation Counsel,

New York City.

City of New York.
Law Department,
Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.
No. 2 Tryon Row.

Feb 5th 1887

FRANCIS M. SCOTT,
Counsel to the Corporation.

My dear General:-

I consulted with the Mayor
as to the Holiday bill and he was of the
opinion that in consideration of bank
ing questions or a half holiday - as
was provided for 5 years ago, was
preferable to a whole holiday - I accord-
ingly drew a bill making a half holi-
day for New York, Westchester & Livingston
Counties. This I had introduced
yesterday in the Senate by Ellsworth
& in the Assembly by Nixon and
the bill was advanced to 3^d reading
in both houses -

Yours very truly
John C. Swett Clerk
Gen Horace Porter.

GRANT MONUMENT ASSOCIATION,

MILLS BUILDING, No. 15 BROAD ST.,

NEW YORK.

February 5, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose a copy of letter I wrote to John Proctor Clarke, and his answer which will explain the situation. When they laid the corner-stone of the Grant Tomb a half holiday was asked for because there was no parade, and nothing but brief exercises in the afternoon. If we do not have a whole holiday the men composing the military and civic organizations cannot get away from their business to have the parade start in the forenoon, and if there should be a parade the bulk of the people could not get to the upper end of the island to see it.

I am getting letters from all the neighboring States saying that military and civic organizations will attend, and the parade will be something enormous, but they want to get through in time, many of them, to start home that evening. This will be the only great National function which will occur in New York in the life time of any of us, and the great masses of working people ought to have the privilege of participating in it. I hope you will have word sent to Albany to change the bill, making a whole holiday. I regret very much that I was not consulted upon the subject, or I would have presented these views before.

Very truly yours,

Horace Porter
Pres.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor,

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Feb 11th 1897

My Dear Sir I see you have appointed
as fine a committee as has ever been selected
for any purpose for the Great Monument service
and I would suggest the name of our new
President of the School Board Hon Charles
B. Hubbell as there are none on your
list from that Board our great school room
deserves it and no doubt you have ordered
this for us — E. J. Kenney

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New York Feb 12-97.

New York
City Hall. New York

Dear Sir:-

It seems quite appropriate that the names of the Committee on the Grant Tomb Dedication should appear on the anniversary of the birthday of a contemporary hero. Certainly no one could find fault with any of the gentlemen your honor has named, but it seems to me that they are all too busy to take charge of the details of the dedication, and I would therefore suggest that it would be well to add the names of some gentlemen who have shown their ability in the past

in matters of this kind, such as
for instance - Mr Alfred Chasseaud
who is connected with the
Madison Square Garden, or
Col. A. B. De Freese (whos address
I do not know) or Mr Geo Wilson
Secy of the Chamber of Commerce
or Mr J. P. Montant who
served on the Columbian Committee
with such zeal.

Hoping you will excuse
my presuming on your valuable
time.

I am yours very respectfully

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Feb 18th 1897.

Hon. W. L. Strong,
Mayor of New York,
City Hall, City.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to offer our services for any musical attractions you may propose having at the dedication of the Grant tomb.

It has occurred to us that a cantata written for the occasion with full chorus and orchestra would be very appropriate.

The writer spoke on the subject some time ago to Hon. Porter and he expressed himself favorably on the subject.

We will be pleased to undertake any musical arrangements which may be decided on by your Committee and beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

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Replying to yours of

New York, Feb. 16th, 1897

Mr. Job. E. Hedges,

Mayors Office. City.

Dear Sir:-

When your Committee is ready to take up the matter of decorations &c for the Grants Tomb dedication decorations &c, I should be pleased to be permitted to figure on same. You will remember having given me the order for the Republican Club decorations at Delmonico's some years ago, and with which you expressed great satisfaction. I also decorated the large ball room at the Hotel Waldorf, for your Clubs Banquet a few evenings ago, which I beleive was also very satisfactory. I enclose stamped envelope for answer, May I beg to hear from you,

Yours respectfully,

C. H. Koster.

253 Broadway,

New York City, Feb. 17, 1897.

Gen. Anson G. Mc Cook,

Office of City Chamberlain,

Chambers St., & Broadway, City.

My dear General:-

In looking over the list of Citizens named by the Mayor in connection with the exercises of April 26th, 1897 at Grant's Tomb, it is noticed that a large number of soldiers who commanded Corps, Divisions, Brigades or Regiments in the Army of the Potomac under Grant have been omitted, so much so that it appears especially noticeable and is much talked about. Of course no one believes that His Honor has purposely ignored all of these ex-soldiers who reside in this City and Brooklyn. (A few only appear in his list)

These exercises are to be of such a character that soldiers particularly would feel honored to participate in them. Several officers whose names appear on the list herewith attached have told me that from the Spring of '61 to September '65 they served in Virginia, and some of them commanded large bodies of troops there or elsewhere during the entire time Grant was in supreme command. X

It is a matter of record in the Adj. Genl's. Office at Columbus and War Department at Washington that my own Regiment participated in fifty-one engagements in Virginia during the War, including Appomattox and on April 10th, '65, the day after the surrender, escorted General Grant to Berksville where he took train for Washington.

I hope you will agree with me that the Mayor's attention should be called to some of the facts here first mentioned and feel willing yourself to do so.

Very respectfully,

Frank C. Loveland

Dear Mr Mayor. I have promised Col Loveland to send you this just as he gave it to me. I told him that some of the names he mentions had been put on, and the difficulties were very great to satisfy everyone. I think it well enough that you should have this list before completing the formal Committee. I am not sure but that it would be a good thing to enlarge the number & take them in - A.G.M.

New York City, February 18, 1897.

Sir:--

I have the honor to inform you that a meeting of the Committee on Plan and Scope of the Grant Monument Municipal Inaugural Committee will be held by order of General Horace Porter, Chairman, at his office in the Mills Building, No. 15 Broad Street, at three o'clock on Friday, the nineteenth instant.

Yours respectfully,



Acting Secretary.

The Honorable

William L. Strong, Chairman,

Grant Monument Municipal Inaugural Committee.



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MONTGOMERY MAZE, GENERAL MANAGER.

February 18th, 1897.

Mr. Bion L. Burrows,
Confidential Clerk Mayors Office. City.

Dear Sir:--

Can you give us a list of the different Military Officers from out of town which have been invited to take part in the ceremony of dedicating the Grant Memorial next April? If there is no such list in your office, we will be under obligations to you if you can kindly find out for us where it can be obtained.

Yours very truly,

Montgomery Maze

Commissioner of the City of New York

Joseph Reed
11 Broad St

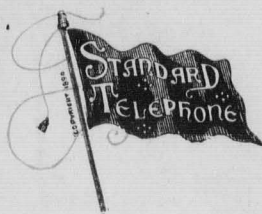
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General Offices, 253 Broadway, (Postal Telegraph Building),

NEW YORK,
608 Bourse Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.,
February 22, 1897.

1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Respected Sir:

While General Grant was President, Charles A. Dana published in the editorial column of the Sun the following:

"A farmer returning to his home from St. Louis found a man lying dead-drunk by the roadside, his team loose and wandering a little farther on. The farmer alighted and picked up the poor wretch. Now who do you think it was? Why, General Ulysses S. Grant, now President of the United States."

I wish to protest against the name of Charles A. Dana remaining on the Dedication Committee, and feel that thousands and hundreds of thousands, yourself among the number, do not want his name on the Committee.

Very respectfully yours,

E. M. Ford,

THE GRANT MONUMENT MUNICIPAL INAUGURAL COMMITTEE.

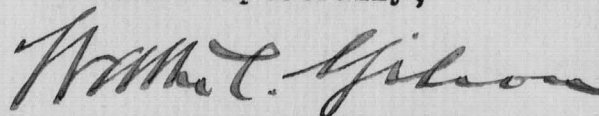
COMMITTEE ON PLAN AND SCOPE.

New York, Feb. 24th, 1897.

Dear sir;

By direction of General Horace Porter, Chairman, a meeting of the Committee on Plan and Scope will be held at General Porter's office in the Mills Building, No. 15 Broad Street, on Friday the 26th instant at three o'clock.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wm C. Gilson".

Secretary.

Hon. William L. Strong,

City Hall,

N.Y. City.

THE COLONIAL CLUB
NEW YORK

February 27th 1897

Hon. William L. Strong
75 North St

Dear Sir

The Colonial Club will entertain the President of the United States at a Reception and luncheon on the 27th of April next on the occasion of his visit to this City to take part in the ceremonies in dedicating the Tomb of General Grant.

The following gentlemen have been appointed a Committee to take charge of the Arrangements for the Reception to wit, Honorable William L. Strong, James. C. Reed,

John A. McCall, Frank Delford,
Samuel McMillan, Henry J. Kilburn,
John H. Cullen and William L.
Brown.

The Committee will meet at the
Club House on Wednesday evening
March 3rd at 8 o'clock.

Kindly notify of your acceptance

Yours very truly
Robt E. Dawling
Secretary

GRANT MONUMENT ASSOCIATION,

MILLS BUILDING, No. 15 BROAD ST.,
NEW YORK.

March 2nd, 1897.

Robert E. Dowling, Esq., Secretary.
Colonial Club, New York City.

Dear Sir:

I received last night your note of the twenty-seventh ultimo, advising me that the Colonial Club will entertain the President of the United States at a Reception and Luncheon, on the twenty-seventh of April next, on the occasion of his visit to this City to take part in the ceremonies in dedicating the Tomb of General Grant, and that I have been appointed a member of the Committee of Arrangements.

While thanking the Colonial Club for honoring me in this way I beg leave to say that upon the occasion named the President of the United States will come here as the guest of the City of New York. Consequently throughout the twenty-seventh of April his movements will be subordinated to the wishes of the Mayor of the City of New York and I am quite sure, from what I know of the programme for that day, so far as it has been decided upon, it would hardly be possible to include a Luncheon at the Colonial Club; and quite impossible to include a Reception there. This, of course, I naturally regret.

Perhaps I should add, for your information, for I conceive it probable the Colonial Club may as an alternative propose to itself some entertainment in honor of the President of the United States during the evening of the twenty-seventh of April, that I understand he will attend the customary Grant Dinner, annually given in this City on the evening of that day, unless the Dinner should be abandoned to make way for a Reception at the Union League Club to which all the other guests of the City shall be invited.

As I will be unable to attend your meeting to-morrow night I have deemed it proper to intrude by letter such information as I happen to possess touching its purpose.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) James C. Reed.

(Copy).

MR. FREDERICK D. TAPPEN,
TREASURER.

GENERAL HORACE PORTER,
PRESIDENT.

MR. JAMES C. REED,
SECRETARY.

GRANT MONUMENT ASSOCIATION,
MILLS BUILDING, No. 15 BROAD ST.,
NEW YORK.

March 2nd, 1897.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

I think you must have been as surprised as I was this morning to receive notice that "the Colonial Club will entertain the President of the United States at a Reception and Luncheon on the twenty-seventh of April on the occasion of his visit to this City to take part in the ceremonies indedicating the Tomb of General Grant."

I inclose a copy of my response, as it may save you the trouble of writing a long letter.

Yours respectfully,

James C. Reed

The Honorable

William L. Strong.



MONTGOMERY MAZE, GENERAL MANAGER.

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NEW YORK.

March 6th, 1897.

Mr. Bion L. Burrows,

Mayors Office, N. Y. City.

My Dear Burrows:-

We have written o Mr. Reed, as per your advice of the 1st inst., but have not yet heard from him. What we want to get at is a list of the different Military Organizations who have been invited to take part in the Ceremonies on April 27th. We have already had an inquiry from one of these Organizations for sleeping quarters in this building, and we have ample accommodations to take care of three or four thousand people in that way. If you can help us to get at this we will be under obligations to you, and if there is any special Committee appointed to look after such arrangements at the New York end, we would be glad to be put into communication with that Committee.

Yours truly,

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THE GRANT MONUMENT MUNICIPAL INAUGURAL COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ON PLAN AND SCOPE.

New York, March 12th, 1897.

A meeting of the Committee on Plan and Scope was held at the office of the Mayor in the City Hall on Friday March 12th 1897 at 3 o'clock p.m.

Present,

Gen. Horace Porter,
Chairman,

Mayor Strong,

George de Forest Barton,

A. Noel Blakeman,

Matthew C.D. Borden,

Gen. Daniel Butterfield,

Gen. C.H.T. Collis,

Gen. Grenville M. Dodge,

Com. Jacob W. Miller

James C. Reed,

W. Rhineland Stewart, and

Walter C. Gilson,
Secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Mayor stated that he had received from Gen. Dodge, Chairman of the Military Committee, copies of the following resolutions, which had been duly adopted by the Military Committee at a meeting held on the 23rd day of February, 1897.

"Resolved that the Chairman, Gen. Grenville M. Dodge, request the Mayor to invite the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to order out the troops available and accessible and the Military and Naval Academies, to participate in the parade and ceremonies on the 27th of April.

"Resolved, that the Mayor be requested to invite the Governor of the State of New York to order out the National Guard of New York, to take part in the parade and ceremonies on April 27th.

"Resolved, that the Chairman be requested to ask the Mayor to notify the Governors of all States

"that we will be pleased to have any of the military or civil organizations of their States participate in the Grant Monument Inaugural Parade."

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Mayor was requested to issue the invitations, &c. called for by the foregoing resolutions.

After a general discussion upon the question of what guests should be invited at the expense of the city the list of guests as agreed upon at the meeting of this Committee held on February 19th was duly amended so as to read as follows:

- The President of the United States,
- The Vice President of the United States,
- President Diaz of Mexico and Aide,
- The Ambassadors from Foreign Countries, with one Secretary of Legation,
- The Members of the Cabinet,
- The Chief Justice, Associate Justices and Marshal of the United States Supreme Court,
- The Ministers from Foreign Countries, with one Secretary of Legation,
- The Major-General Commanding the Army, and Aide,

- The Rear-Admiral Commanding the Navy, and Aide,
- The Speaker of the House of Representatives,
- The Ex-Presidents of the United States,
- The Ex-Vice Presidents of the United States,
- The Members of Gen. Grant's Family,
- Lieutenant-General Scofield, Ex-Commander of the United States Army,
- The Major-Generals of the United States Army, active and retired, who had commanded armies,
- The Rear-Admirals, active and retired, of the United States Navy,
- The Governor of New York,
- The Lieutenant-Governor of New York,
- The Speaker of the Assembly of New York,
- General Longstreet,
- General Buckner.

The Mayor submitted the following proposed letter of invitation to be sent to the guests above mentioned:

"Sir: The ceremonies attending the formal
"transfer to the City of New York of the Grant Monu-
"ment by the Grant Monument Association are to take
"place in this city on Tuesday the 27th day of April
"next, and on behalf of our citizens I have the
"honor to extend to you a cordial invitation to be
"present and take part, as a guest of our city, in
"the exercises incident to the occasion.

"Inasmuch as this event may be regarded as of
"historical importance and of deep national interest,
"it is earnestly hoped that you will be able to
"honor the occasion by your presence and thus aid
"in rendering a fitting tribute to the memory of one
"of our country's most illustrious soldiers and
"citizens.

"An early response is respectfully requested.

"I am, with great respect,

"Your obedient servant,

"William L. Strong,

"Mayor and Chairman of the
"Grant Monument Municipal
Inaugural Committee."

On motion duly made and seconded the form of the above letter was duly approved.

Mr. Stewart then moved that the Governors of all the States be invited to attend the ceremonies as guests of the city.

The Mayor stated that he hoped the motion would not prevail, as he believed that the Governors would generally accept the invitation if extended and he feared that the expenses would exceed the appropriation. A general discussion followed as to the advisability of inviting the Governors as the guests of the city, and it was finally decided that they should be invited to attend the ceremonies, but not at the expense of the city, and, upon motion of Mr. Borden, the following resolution was duly adopted:

"Resolved that the Governors of the different States, with the members of their staffs, be invited to attend the ceremonies on the 27th of April, and that

"the Governors be requested to order out as many of
"their State troops to accompany them as possible.

The Mayor submitted the following as the form of
the proposed letter to be addressed to the different
Governors:

"Sir: The ceremonies attending the formal
"transfer to the city of New York of the Grant
"Monument by the Grant Monument Association are to
"take place in this city on Tuesday the 27th^{day} of
"April next, and on behalf of our citizens I have
"the honor to extend to you a cordial invitation to
"be present with the members of your staff and as
"many of the troops of your State as possible and
"take part in the exercises incident to the occasion

"Inasmuch as this event may be regarded as of
"historical importance and of deep national interest,
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"rendering a fitting tribute to the memory of one of

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"I am, with great respect,

"Your obedient servant,

"William L. Strong,

"Mayor and Chairman of
"the Grant Monument Muni-
"cipal Inaugural Com-
"mittee."

On motion duly made and seconded
the form of the above letter was
approved.

It was stated that the Grant Post, G.A.R., desired to
have charge of the tomb on the 27th of April.

Gen. Dodge stated that an application had been
received from the Meade Post, G.A.R., of which Gen. Grant had
been a member, offering their services as an escort to
the Grant family.

Gen. Porter offered the following resolution:

"Resolved that the Mayor and Chairman of the

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"Committee be requested to address a letter to the
"President of the United States requesting that the
"army and naval forces of the United States partici-
"pate in the dedication and that foreign governments
"be requested to send men-of-war.

Seconded and carried.

Gen. Dodge moved that the Mayor be requested to
write to the Secretary of the Treasury requesting that the
Revenue Marine and Lighthouse Vessels take part in the
naval parade.

Seconded and carried.

The sub-committee appointed at the meeting on
February 19th, consisting of Gen. Porter, Gen. Dodge and
Commander Miller, reported that they had concluded that
a platform should be constructed, starting from the columns
at the monument and running to the curb east and west and
south, large enough to seat 8,000 people. That the review-
ing column would march around the circle by the west drive,
returning by the east, and be reviewed near the southeast

corner of platform. They also reported that the ground should be secured opposite the reviewing stand for the distance of one block or two hundred feet and that a platform facing the reviewing stand should be erected thereon to seat not less than 7,000 people.

Mr. Blakeman offered the following resolution:

"Resolved that the report of the committee be approved and that it be referred to the Committee on Platforms and Park Commissioners to obtain detailed plans and estimates of cost."

Seconded and carried.

Gen. Porter then submitted a map of the tomb and the surroundings, and a general discussion was then had regarding the route of march and the advisability of securing the use of adjacent lots owned by private individuals, and in connection therewith Mr. Stewart offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the Park Department be requested
"forthwith to obtain possession of all unimproved
"vacant private property within five hundred feet
"of the point selected for the reviewing stand."

The Mayor suggested that the above resolution be
amended by inserting the names of Col. Cruger and Mr.
McMillan in place of the Park Department, which amendment
was accepted by Mr. Stewart, and the resolution as thus
amended was duly adopted.

Gen. Dodge, having asked how far his authority as
Grand Marshal extended, Gen. Collis offered the following
resolution:

"Resolved that the Plan and Scope Committee
"recommend to the Executive Committee that the com-
"position and order of the parading columns be re-
"ferred to the Grand Marshal with full power."

Seconded and carried.

Mr. Blakeman stated that during the last few days there had been a number of applications made to print the official program. He then submitted a sketch, which he said he had received from the printer for a program without advertisements. The program contained a portrait of Gen Grant and a short sketch in relation to the tomb, &c. Gen. Porter said no action could be taken upon a matter of that kind by this committee. Mr. Stewart thereupon offered the following resolution:

"Resolved that the Committee on Plan and Scope
"suggest to the Executive Committee the appointment
"of an additional committee of three members of the
"Executive committee, to constitute a new committee;
"the committee of three persons to be called the
"Committee on Official Program, and that the whole
"subject be referred to that Committee."

Seconded and carried.

The following resolution was duly adopted:

"Resolved that the Mayor be requested to write to
"the Chairmen of all sub-committees to send to him at once,
"for the benefit of this committee, an itemized estimate of
"their expenses."

Seconded and carried.

The following is a copy of the letter this day
sent to the President of the United States:

"Sir;

"On the 27th day of April the Grant Monu-
"ment Association proposes formally to deliver into
"the perpetual custody of the city of New York the
"tomb of General Grant, which through the voluntary
"contributions of upwards of 90,000 citizens it has
"been enabled to erect in Riverside Park.

"The day will be a legal holiday and the cere-
"monies promise to be of that imposing character
"which befit such an event as the final entombment
"of our greatest soldier. To carry out that pur-
"pose some 300 of our most distinguished citizens

"have been constituted The Grant Monument Municipal
"Inaugural Committee and have elected me their
"chairman.

"In that capacity, in accordance with their instruc-
"tions, I have the honor respectfully to request
"that you officially bring to the attention of all
"other nations the notable character of the event
"proposed to be celebrated in the city of New York
"on the 27th day of April, and that on behalf of
"the United States of America you invite all foreign
"governments to cause themselves to be represented
"in the naval part of the ceremonies incident to that
"occasion by sending ships of war to attend and
"participate.

"Permit me to add that invitations will presently
"be extended to all the diplomatic representatives
"at Washington to attend the ceremonies as guests
"of the city of New York.

"I have the honor to be
"Your obedient servant

"William L. Strong.
"Chairman.

"To the President,
"Washington, D.C."

Upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting
adjourned.

Wm. T. Gilman
Secy.

Phila March 13th / 97

A. S.:- Kindly inform
me the date of meeting
of the Lyant Monument
+ ^{name of} Chairman of the
committee having
it in charge

Very Respectfully
Yours

S. B. Hart

1204 Water St

Wm. Strong - Phila Pa

New York

Providence Line.

Office of President.

Stonington Line.

*Providence & Stonington Steamship Company,
New Pier 36, North River.*

J. W. Miller, President.

New York,

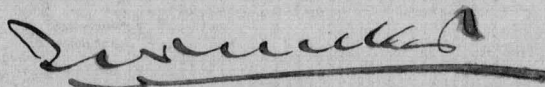
March 15th. 1897

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
City Hall, N. Y.

Dear Sir:--

The Mayor having appointed you as one of the Committee on Naval Affairs of the Grant Monument Municipal Inaugural Committee, I respectfully ask that you will attend the first meeting of the Committee on Naval Affairs to be held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, Room DR on Wednesday March 17th. at 4 P. M. As matters of much importance will come before this first meeting, it is hoped that all the members will make it a point to attend.

Respectfully,



Chairman Committee on Naval Affairs.

MUNICIPAL GRANT MONUMENT COMMITTEE.

HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG, CHAIRMAN.

New York City, March 17, 1897.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

William J. Arkell,
William Berri,
A. Noel Blakeman,
Cornelius N. Bliss,
Matthew C. D. Borden,
J. Adriance Bush,
Daniel Butterfield,
Alexander Caldwell,
Henry W. Cannon,
John Claflin,
Charles H. T. Collis,
Greenville M. Dodge,
Nicholas Fish,
Ashbel P. Fitch,
Walter C. Gilson,
Job E. Hedges,
Abram S. Hewitt,
Hiram Hitchcock,
Anson G. McCook,
Samuel McMillan,
Jacob W. Miller,
Abraham G. Mills,
Charles A. Moore,
Cornelius O'Reilly,
Alexander E. Orr,
Horace Porter,
James C. Reed,
Theodore Roosevelt,
Elihu Root,
Francis M. Scott,
George R. Sheldon,
Charles Stewart Smith,
Samuel Spencer,
Adelbert H. Steele,
W. Rhinelanders Stewart,
William L. Strong,
Wager Swayne,
Frederick D. Tappen,
John R. Van Wormer,
Charles H. Webb,
Stewart L. Woodford,
C. F. Homer.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee held this day the Badge Committee in presenting its report stated that as the event of April 27 would be of such national importance it was eminently fit and proper that the badge of the General Committee should be one worthy of the occasion.

It was therefore moved

That the design as submitted by the Badge Committee be accepted for the official badge of the General Committee.

That each member of the General Committee pay for his badge and that no badge shall be delivered save upon the order of the Chairman of the Badge Committee, and that only to members of the General Committee who are entitled to same shall the order be given. In accordance therewith kindly remit at once the sum of \$8.00 for the official badge to Chairman of Badge Committee as per slip enclosed. This badge is to be worn in connection with the ribbon badge of your committee which will be furnished you.

Bertram H. Borden,
Sec'y of Badge Committee.

Alexander Caldwell, Chairman, 704 and 706 Broadway.
J. Adriance Bush,
Edward A. Drake,
Thomas A. Wood,
Bertram H. Borden,
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Elihu Root.

No. 117 Duane St.,

New York, March 19, 1897.

A meeting of the Committee on Badges of the Grant Monument
Inaugural Committee, will be held at the office of the Chairman
of the Committee 704 Broadway, on Friday March 19th, at 5:30.P.M.

P. H. Gordon -
Secretary.

-:: GRANT MONUMENT MUNICIPAL INAUGURAL COMMITTEE::-

SUBCOMMITTEE ON DECORATIONS AND PLATFORMS

Office of Secretary, 214 Broadway,

New York, March 20th, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of Mr. Cornelius O'Reilly, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Decorations and Platforms of the Grant Monument Municipal Inaugural Committee, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Subcommittee will be held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel on Tuesday afternoon, March 23rd, at 5:30 o'clock.

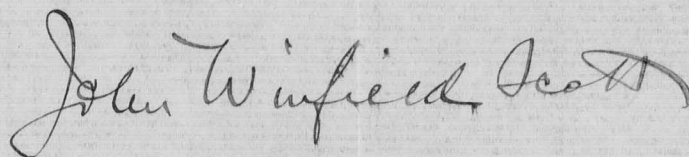
A full meeting is desired for organization.

Respectfully yours,

Hon. William L. Strong,

City Hall,

New York City.



Secretary.

THE UNION LEAGUE CLUB

New York, March 22d, 1897

Hon. William L. Strong,

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Club, held on Thursday, the eleventh instant, the following resolution was duly adopted:

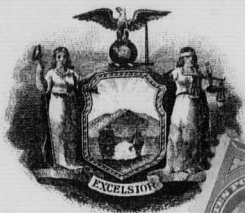
Resolved, That the President of the Club be, and he hereby is, authorized to appoint such Special Committees, as, in his judgment, may be advisable in connection with the reception to be given by the Club to The President and The Vice-President of the United States on the twenty-seventh day of April next.

The Secretary has the honor to inform you that pursuant to the foregoing resolution, you have been appointed a member of the Reception Committee.

Yours respectfully,

Walter T. Gilman

Secretary.



STATE OF NEW YORK.

Senate Chamber,



Albany

March 25th 1897

Hon. Jos E. Hedges

Private Secy,

Dr Sir.

I should
be obliged to you if you could please
inform me how I am to proceed &
to whom I may apply, for a position
for my truck on Grant & Day. We
always had a stand in the recent cen-
tennials & I desire to ascertain the
route so I can determine upon a stand
from my truck.

I am Sumner Ford's Private Secy
and as soon as I can find out to whom
to apply, he is going to write a letter for
me. He and I have some parties who
desire to see this grand spectacle and



STATE OF NEW YORK.
Senate Chamber,

Albany

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we can do so, if we can secure a good position for our truck & then we can rig up seats. Of course, if it is permissible, the extra seats we shall sell so as to permit my driver to be paid for his trouble.

I am sorry to trouble you in this matter but hope to be able to reciprocate.

Yours very truly,
Chas. A. Hale.

address reply to { 106 West 95th Street
N.Y. City.

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THE VETERAN CORPS OF ARTILLERY
Military Society of the War of 1812.

VETERAN CORPS INSTITUTED NOVEMBER 25, 1790.
IN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES IN 1812 AND 1814.



MILITARY SOCIETY ORGANIZED JANUARY 8, 1826.
CONSOLIDATED WITH VETERAN CORPS JANUARY 8, 1846.

INCORPORATED JANUARY 8, 1892.
INCORPORATION AMENDED MARCH 9, 1895.

P. O. ADDRESS

97 Cedar Street

NEW YORK, March 31 1897

This Corps - more generally known to old New Yorkers as "The Veteran Corps of 1812", has, by representation, in their quaint uniform - under arms, participated in all great commemorative celebrations in New York City for many years such as:

1. Reception Mgr. Genl. Rich^d Mont.
gomery's remains from the
Ice in 1818.
2. Reception of Lafayette, 1824;
3. Funeral of Lafayette, 1834.
4. Prest Andrew Jackson's
Obsequies. 1845.
5. Centennial Evacuation
of New York - 1883.

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6. Special Escort to President
Harrison at Reviewing
Stand, Madison Square great
Centennial of 1889.
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The Organization has frequently
been reviewed by Governors of the
State and Mayors of New York.

It is an Independent Military
Organization of the State recognized
by Congress in Section 1641 U.S.
Revised Statutes.

The Adjutant Genl. of the State
is, by law, its Inspector.

The Rev. Morgan Dix, I. T. D., Secd.,
is now the Commandant and

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Chas. Isham Esq. Paymaster and
Acting Adjutant.

The remaining 1812 original
members are now too feeble
to parade.

A number of the hereditary
members are in the Ministry
or officers of the Army & Navy
so that only a Representation
in their quaint uniform is now
possible for public occasions.

If a representation, con-
sisting of a detachment of 10 or
12 is desired, to report in uni-
form, under arms, to the Major
for special Escort duty at the

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P. O. ADDRESS

Reviewing Stand to the President,
Governor of the State and Mayor,
it is suggested a communi-
cation should be written to
Dr. Dix requesting such a detail.
The Governor will then be
communicated with and a detail
cheerfully furnished.

Most of the active members
are members of one or more
of our principal Clubs, Union
League, Century Union, University
or Metropolitan.

Plan + Scope



CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

March 31st, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

On behalf of our citizens and as Chairman of the Municipal Grant Monument Committee, I have the honor to extend to you as one of the five surviving members of the Class of 1843, of the United States Military Academy at West Point,--General Grant's class--a most cordial invitation to be present and take part in the ceremonies attending the formal transfer to the City of New York of the Tomb of your heroic classmate, General Grant, on the 27th day of April next.

The presence of the surviving members of this honored class on the occasion will lend an additional and singular interest to this notable and historical event, and it is, therefore, the

earnest hope of the Committee that you may be able
to accept this invitation and thus aid in rendering
a fitting tribute to the memory of one of our coun-
try's most illustrious soldiers and citizens.

An early response is respectfully re-
quested.

I am, very respectfully

Your obedient servant,


M a y o r
&

Chairman Municipal Grant Monument Committee.

Mr. Samuel G. French,

Columbus, Georgia.

MUNICIPAL GRANT MONUMENT COMMITTEE.

New York, April 3rd, 1897.

A meeting of the Committee on Invitations of the Municipal Grant Monument Committee was held in Parlor D.R., of the Fifth Avenue Hotel on Saturday, April 3rd, 1897, at 5:00 P. M.

Present: Hon. W. L. Strong, Chairman, Genl. Horace Porter, Hon. Elihu Root, Hon. Seth Low, and the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Fred. J. Phillips.

The Committee on Platforms and Decorations was also present by invitation.

The question of furnishing tickets for the wives of the invited guests was brought up by General Porter, who said that Vice-President Hobart had informed him that he would very much like to have his wife accompany him, also a friend of Mrs. Hobart's.

Mr. Root stated that the Committee would have to give everybody a seat. It would not do, he said, to invite an Ambassador and then not give him any seats. We have in the first place the invited guests of the city, then we have the Senate and House of Representatives, who I understand are going to adjourn and come over here and bring their families. Then we have invited the New York Legislature and State Officers, and they, too, will all come and bring their wives. We have also agreed to give seats

to everybody who has subscribed \$500. or upwards, and to provide seats for a thousand members of the Loyal Legion, the Army Societies and Patriotic Societies and Veterans who cannot march. Then there are 330 members of the General Committee to be provided for who, no doubt, will also want seats for their families.

General Porter here said that the question whether every person should be given a reserved seat was a very important one, and he suggested that the Reception Committee should have a special committee on that part of the work.

Mr. O'Reilly, Chairman of the Committee on Platforms &c., was hereupon requested to submit, for the consideration of the Committee, the plans for the stands and other accommodations at the Monument which has been prepared under his direction. After considerable discussion upon the subject, resulting in some slight changes as to the arrangement of the seats, the plans were duly approved.

The business of allotting seats for the invited guests and others was then commenced, and the following arrangement agreed upon:

Stand Lower "A" for the invited guests of the city and their wives. Seating capacity 500.

Stands Upper "A" and "C," the Congress of the United States and their wives. Seating capacity 850.

Stand "G," for the Judiciary of the State of New

the City of New York, the Judges of the U. S. Courts in New York, and the U. S. Officials in New York, York, the members of the Senate and Assembly of the State, the Board of Aldermen and the city officials of the city of New York, and the Mayor and city officials of the city of Brooklyn, and the Mayor and city officials of Long Island City, and the foreign Consuls residing in the city. The seating capacity is 1600.

Stand B. For the General Committee and their wives. Seating capacity 1,000.

The first three southerly sections of H on the East stand and portions of sections D, E and F of the South stand for the Committeemen and others who helped to raise the fund for the building of the monument. The press to be also accomodated with seats in sections D, E and F. The entire seating capacity of the sections here named is about 6,000.

The southerly section of I on the East stand for the singers and musicians under Mr. Damrosch.

The two northerly adjoining sections of I on the East stand for the Loyal Legion, societies, and army veterans. Capacity about 2,000.

General Porter raised the question as to who should be invited to pronounce the benediction at the close of the exercises, but upon the suggestion of the Mayor it was decided that in lieu thereof the Doxology be sung by the singers under the direction of Mr. Damrosch.

On motion of Mr. Root, it was decided that Mr. Nicholas Fish be appointed a sub-committee of the Committee on Invitations to act with the Chairman of the Committee on Decorations and Platforms with power, on the subject of the selection of ushers for duty at the stands.

The Committee then adjourned.

New York, April 5, 1897.


Col. A. G. Mills,

My dear Colonel:-

I cannot believe that His Honor Mayor Strong, or any of the Committee on Invitations would willingly omit from their list of invited guests for the Grant Memorial of the 27th inst, the names of Major Generals John A. McClelland of Springfield, Ills, and Lew Wallace of Crawfordsville, Ind. These two Generals commanded Divisions under General Grant at the Battles of Fort Donaldson and Shiloh. They were not invited to be present at his funeral in 1885, if I am correctly informed.

Should my fears be well founded in regard to the above, I hope you will kindly ask the Mayor to correct the error. I notice that several Rebel (Confederate) Generals have not been forgotten. Having had the honor of being on the Staffs of the above named Generals who were made Major Generals by President Lincoln in the first year of the War, is my excuse for intruding myself upon the attention of the Committee of which you are a member.

I am yours in the bonds of F. C. & L.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George C. & L.", with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

The only living General Officers, now in the Army, either on the Active or Retired list, who commanded Armies during the late war are:

- ✓ Lieut. General J. M. Schofield, care of Headquarters Army, Washington, DC
 - ✓ Major General O. O. Howard, Burlington, Vermont.
 - Major General W. S. Rosecrans, Los Angeles, California.
 - ✓ Major General C. C. Augur, 2732 Dumbarton Ave., Georgetown, D. C.
 - Major General H. G. Wright, 1203 N Street, N.W. Washington, D.C.
 - Major General J. G. Parke, 16 Lafayette Square, Washington, D.C.
 - Major General N. J. T. Dana, 1934 17th, Street, Washington, D.C.
 - ✓ Major General J. J. Reynolds, 1601 S Street, Washington, D.C.
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Of the Volunteer Officers who commanded armies during the war, and not now in service, the following are still living:

- Major General D. C. Buell, Paradise, Kentucky.
- Major General F. Sigel, New York City.
- Major General Lew Wallace, Crawfordsville, Indiana.
- Major General J. D. Cox, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Major General J. M. Palmer, Springfield, Illinois.
- Major General G. M. Dodge, 1 Wall Street, New York City.

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, April 3rd, 1897.

Copy.

April 5th 1897

Dear Mr. Roosevelt

Will you please try
+ find out to whom I am
to write to procure tickets,
on one of the city's stands,
for the members of our
Committee, for their families
etc. I confess that I cannot.
At the same time please
find out what part we are
to take in the parade, if we
are to go in carriages or simply
to get to the platform at

the ^{or} Tomb the best that we
can meet I presume on a
platform reserved for us. If
all this will not be too
much trouble I will be very
much obliged to you.

Accept my sincere con-
gratulation on your appoint-
ment as Apt Secty of the Navy
which I am sure will be
very much more congenial
than your present one.

Very sincerely yours
Edmund Knight

Board of Police Commissioners.

Theodore Roosevelt,
President.
Avery D. Andrews,
Treasurer.
Frederick D. Grant,
Andrew D. Parker.

Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,

Apr. 6, 1897.

My dear Mr. Mayor:-

The enclosed letter from Mr. Edward Haight explains itself. Will it be possible for me to find out how or where I can get tickets for the stand and what my duties, and the duties of therest of the Committee, are?

I trust you will pardon my bothering you, but
to
I don't know_^whom to apply.

Very truly yours,

Theodore Roosevelt

Hon. William L. Strong,
City Hall,
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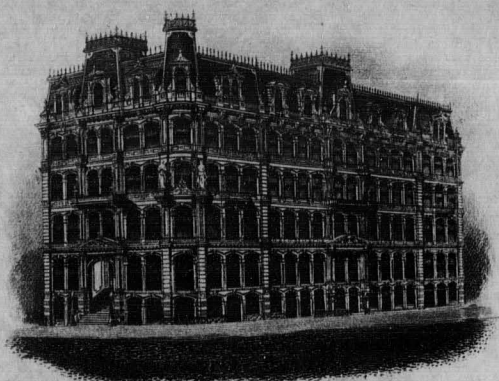
32/38 East 42nd Street,

New York, April 7th, 1897.

There will be a meeting of the Committee on Reception of the Municipal Grant Monument Committee, at Parlor DR of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, on Friday evening, April 9th, 1897, at 8:30 o'clock. You are earnestly requested to be present.

John R. Van Wormer.

Secretary of Committee.



KEMP BUILDING
COR. OF WILLIAM AND CEDAR STREETS.

OFFICE OF
Lanman & Kemp.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1808.

New York 7th April. 1897.

CABLE ADDRESS.

KEMP. NEW YORK.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

My dear Mr. Strong,

I notice by the morning papers that, in the Grant Memorial Parade which is to take place on the 37th, the troops will assemble at Madison Square and proceed up Madison Avenue to 55th St. - to 5th Avenue to 57th St. and so on to the Tomb. -

We have one avenue in the city of New York that all citizens take great pride in, and it is peculiarly adapted to parades of this kind - that is Fifth Avenue. -

With all due respect to Genl. Dodge, I have been informed by high authority that you are what we term "the boss". - I presume that a large amount of the City's money will be appropriated to defray the expenses, which, in my judgment as a large Tax-Payer, is perfectly in order, and I do not think if a

few thousand dollars more or less were spent that we would complain, provided that we get what we want. -

You being master of the situation, will you not in behalf of those whom I represent, as well as myself, order Genl Collis to have 5th Avenue cleared from Madison Square up to 59th Street. - The expense would be trifling, simply that of temporarily filling up excavations, thus affording both the rich and poor of the city and the city's guests, an opportunity of witnessing the great Parade. -

By complying with this request you will greatly oblige an old friend.

I am, with great respect,

Yours very truly,

Edward Kemp

P.S. I am informed that Mr. Baird, the contractor, is disposed to do all in his power to have the avenue in order, by filling up excavations etc. -

In 486 W. Boulevard.

April 8th 97

The Hon Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir

It does

seem an outrage that the Board of Aldermen should for one moment consider the advisability of granting a franchise for making part of the public streets, for stands for private gain, on the route selected for the Parade on the Anniversary of Gen Grant's birth and the dedication of the monument to commemorate the worth of a Soldier and Patriot. When you consider that the only space allotted to the public will be from 72nd St and the Boulevard to 120th St and Riverside Drive a distance of 50 city blocks in which to concentrate over 2,000,000 people, not one foot of space should be taken from the people at large, there can be no objection to having stands erected on unbuild lots along the River side drive where such permission is granted by the owners, and if the Aldermen must have their way, why should they not adopt this last suggestion, the one which will fairly and squarely give their true value as the servants and not the usurpers of the people's rights

respectfully submitted

B. F. Mahler.



CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

April 9th, 1897.

Sir:

As Mayor of the City and Chairman of the
Municipal Grant Monument Committee I have the honor to
extend to you an invitation to be present on the occasion
of the ceremonies attending the dedication of the Grant
Monument. on the 27th instant.

An early response is requested.

I am, very respectfully yours,

Mayor

&

Chairman Municipal Grant Monument Committe.

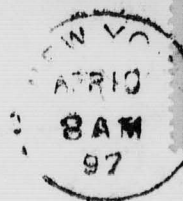
To

Rear-Admiral John Irwin, Retired,

Philadelphia,

Pa.

CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.



RETURNED
TO WRITER,
G. D. D.
Rear-Admiral John Irwin, Retired,
Philadelphia,
Penna.

J. Irwin



THE UNION LEAGUE CLUB,
NEW YORK.

April 9th, 1897.

F. J. Phillips, Esq.,

The Mayor's Office,

City Hall, New York.

Dear Mr. Phillips:-

Among the distinguished guests directed to be invited by the Committee on Plan and Scope to the Grant dedication ceremonies were, the Major Generals of the U. S. Army, active and retired who had commanded Armies and the Rear Admirals active and retired of the U. S. Navy.

I have received the official lists from the War and Navy Departments coming within the designation above referred to and at the request of Gen. Dodge I enclose them to you as he is very desirous that they should all be invited.

Yours very truly,

Walter T. Gilman

Secretary.

COPY.

Bureau of Navigation

Department of the Navy.

Washington, D. C.

April 1st, 1897.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 30th, ultimo, you are informed that the following are the names and addresses of the Rear Admirals in the U. S. Navy, Active and Retired:

- ✓ George Brown, Commandant, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.
- ✓ John G. Walker, 1202 18th, Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Francis M. Ramsay, 1921 N Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Wm. A. Kirkland, Commandant, Navy Yard, Mare Island, Cal.
- ✓ Lester A. Beardslee, Comdg. U. S. Naval Force, Pacific Station.
c/o Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal.
- ✓ Thomas O. Selfridge, Sr., 2013 I Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Thomas O. Selfridge, Comdg. U. S. Naval Force, European Station,
c/o B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, Eng.
- ✓ Samuel P. Lee, Silver Springs, Sligo, Md.
- ✓ Jos. F. Green, Brookline, Mass.
- ✓ John L. Worden, 1428 K Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Roger N. Stembel, Ebbitt House, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Daniel Ammen, Ammendale, Md.
- ✓ George B. Balch, 1708 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md.
- ✓ John M. B. Clitz, St. Elizabeth's, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ John C. Febiger, Easton, Md.
- ✓ Pierce Crosby, 1718 Conn. Avenue, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Aaron K. Hughes, 1614 19th, Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Alexander C. Rhind, 215 West 54th, Street, New York, N. Y.
- ✓ Thos. S. Phelps, Concord, Mass.
- ✓ John H. Upshur, 1461 R. I. Avenue, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Francis A. Roe, 1232 17th, Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Samuel R. Franklin, 1338 19th, Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Stephen B. Luce, 15 Francis Street, Newport, R. I.
- ✓ James E. Jouett, 1313 S Street, N.W. Washington, D. C.
- ✓ John H. Russell, 1703 DeSales Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Lewis A. Kimberley, West Newton, Mass.
- ✓ Bancroft Gherardi, 30 East 33rd, Street, New York, N. Y.
- ✓ Daniel L. Braine, 67 First Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- ✓ George E. Belknap, 1055 Beacon Street, Brookline, Mass.
- ✓ David B. Harmony, Santa Barbara Club, Santa Barbara, Cal.
- ✓ Andrew E. K. Benham, c/o Navy Yard, Washington, D. C.

- ✓ John Irwin, ✓ 219 19th, Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ James A. Greer, 2010 Hillyer Place, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Aaron W. Weaver, ✓ 2823 N Street, Washington, D. C.
- ✓ Oscar F. Stanton, ✓ 10 Granite Street, New London, Conn.
- ✓ Henry Erben, 130 ✓ East 44th, Street, New York, N.Y.
- ✓ Richard W. Meade, 220 Winona Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.
- ✓ Charles C. Carpenter, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Respectfully,

F. M. Ramsay,
Chief of Bureau.

Walter C. Gilson, Esq.,
Secretary Union League Club,
New York, N.Y.

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Committee on Plan and Scope

NEW YORK, April 11th, 1897

Hon. William L. Strong,


City Hall, N. Y. City.

Dear Sir :-

I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the
Committee on Plan and Scope, held on the 10th inst., the following
resolution was duly adopted:

"RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Municipal Grant
Monument Committee be requested to ask the Governor of the
State to issue such a proclamation as is necessary to relieve
the banks and other financial institutions of the City from
remaining open on the 27th of April for the payment of commercial
paper which was made before the passage of the law making
the 27th a public holiday."

Yours respectfully,



Secretary.

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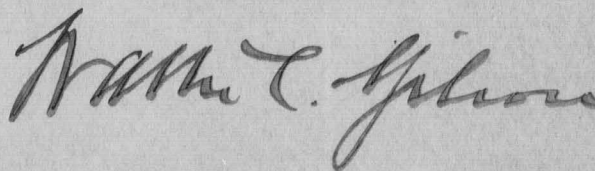
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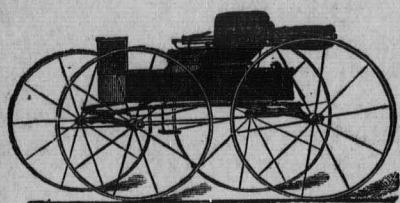
I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Committee on Plan and Scope, held on the 10th inst., the following resolution was duly adopted:

RESOLVED that the Mayor be requested to issue a proclamation to the citizens of New York, designating the route which will be followed by the invited guests and their escort in the morning of April 27th and by the parade in the afternoon, and requesting a general decoration of the buildings along the line of march.

Yours respectfully,



Secretary.



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Honorable Mayor. Strong,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Being the owner and possessor of General.
U.S. Grants carriage, parties have suggested to me to write you
in view of the coming parade to take place in your city short
ly and thought that probably you might wish to have carriage
in same, it is in sound condition except the trimming which
has of course become dilapidated by age and moths, it has pole
attachment for four horses of which I myself have seen him
ride with, I will sell or hire it, but prefer hiring.
His old driver (Albert Hawkins) I could also obtain for you
for the occasion if you should entertain the proposal.
I remain

Yours Very Respectfully

*I have this date mailed photograph of the
above carriage.*

S. J. Meeks

MAJOR GENERAL GRENVILLE M. DODGE,
GRAND MARSHAL.

A. NOEL BLAKEMAN,
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Grant Monument Inaugural Parade,

APRIL 27TH, 1897.

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND MARSHAL,

Room 292, No. 1 BROADWAY,

TELEPHONE, 1758 BROAD.

New York, April 12, 1897

Hon William L. Strong,
Mayor and Chairman Etc.

Dear Mr Mayor : -

Major General Frank J. Herron, now retired, and not in very robust health, commanded the left wing of the Union Army at the investment of Vicksburg, under Grant ; and later commanded the Thirteenth Army Corps.

In my judgement, it would be both courteous and correct, if General Herron were made one of the Cities guests during the ceremonies attending the Grant Monument Inaugural Parade.

In the multiplicity of details in connection with the celebration which command your time and attention, it is not unlikely that you may overlook some matters, and lest this matter of General Herron might be one of these, I take this opportunity of bringing it especially to your notice.

General Herron is a resident of this City, but on account of his poor health is not about very much.-

Respectfully yours,

Henry L. Swords.

Genl.'s address
is 30. W. 47th St
N.Y.C.

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in G. Herron



CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

April 14th 1897

S i r : -

As Mayor of the City and Chairman of the
Municipal Grant Monument Committee I have the honor
to extend to you an invitation to be present on the
occasion of the ceremonies attending the dedication
of the Grant Monument on the 27th instant.

An early response is requested.

I am, Very respectfully yours,

W. L. Strong
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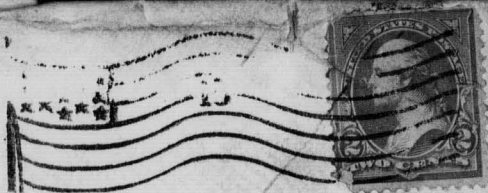
Chairman Municipal Grant Monument Committee.

To

Hon. George M. Boutwell,

Washington, D. C.

NEW YORK.
OF THE MAYOR.



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Hon. George M. Boutwell,

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