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Joseph Philbrick Webster



Webster House Museum

JOSEPH PHILBRICK WEBSTER: WALWORTH COUNTY'S
CIVIL WAR ERA COMPOSER

Tent #23 recently toured the home of Joseph Webster during their June meeting. The Webster House Museum which is part of the Walworth County Historical Society is located in Elkhorn, WI. It was the home of the Webster family from 1859-1951. Webster was a noted composer who wrote over 1,000 pieces of music during his career which also included teaching and performing music. His best known compositions are “Lorena”, “The Sweet Bye and Bye” and “Hurrah for General Grant”. It was said that when General Sherman marched into Atlanta, the Rebel troops marched out to the tune of “Lorena”. The popular Civil War ballad was written in 1857 by Webster and enjoyed by both the Union and Confederate troops around the evening campfires.

Webster and his family came to Wisconsin from Madison, IN where they had resided after a move from New York. Webster made the move north because of his strong abolitionist sentiments. He was known to speak publicly regarding this topic. In the process of moving north, the family brought red-paned, window glass with them which was placed in the front door of their home. The red color in the glass comes from gold being mixed into the compound during the glass making process. It was thought to signify that the home was a safe haven for runaway slaves who were seeking shelter from bounty hunters.

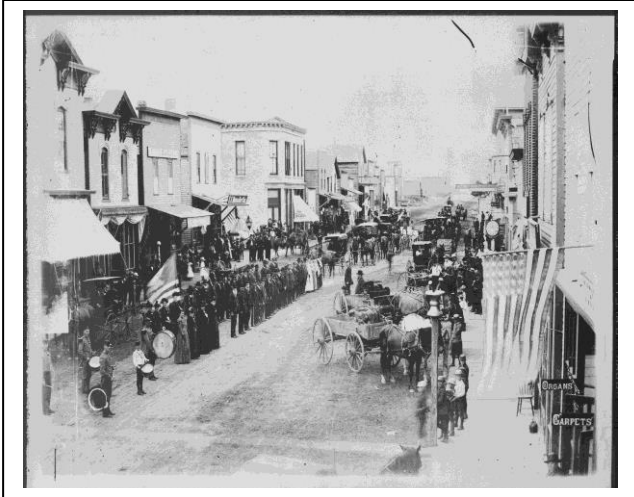
Also on display at the museum is the GAR window to which the Tent contributed money to have a case constructed for its preservation.



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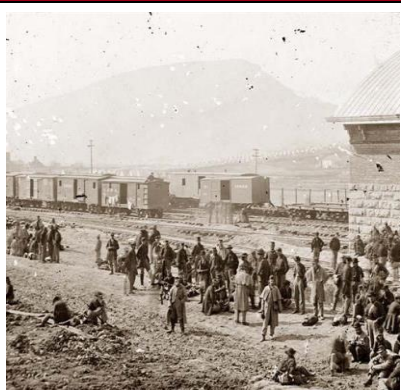
The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at
The Delavan Community Centre
on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at 6:30pm

John Adams wrote that the Fourth of July "...ought to be celebrated by pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other..."



Above are photos of our 4th of July Celebrations then and now

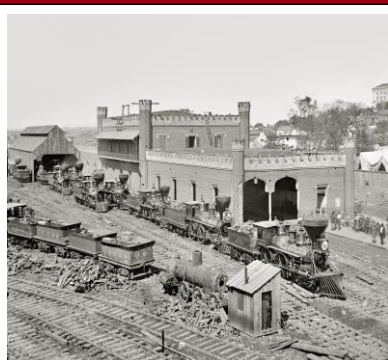
PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A WRAPPED "WHITE ELEPHANT" TO THE JULY MEETING!



Perhaps, Mitchell is among the soldiers featured here!



Is Gould among these NY soldiers in Washington?



Noblet guards Nashville

KEEP 'GREEN' THEIR MEMORY: WHERE DID OUR ANCESTORS SERVE DURING THE CIVIL WAR?

Have you ever wondered about the service record of your ancestor? Do you know where he fought or what he did to assist in the preservation of the Union? This is the first part in a series of articles regarding the heroic efforts of our Tent #23 ancestors.

EDWARD MITCHELL, 47TH WI, Co. B (ancestor of Nancy Braatz, Susan Fischbach, Sandy Stratmeyer and Kathy Willemssen)

Mitchell's regiment mustered in at Madison, WI and was ordered to Louisville, KY, then to Nashville, TN and from there to Tullahoma, TN where they attached with the 2nd Brigade Defences of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad. From there they went on to the Cumberland. Their service was railroad guard duty at Tullahoma and the district of Middle Tennessee.

JOHN B. GOULD, 104TH NY, Co. C & E (ancestor of Judy Manning, Pam Wanazek, Kaitland Woelky, Kelsey Woelky and Zoe Woelky)

Gould's regiment defended Washington, D.C. until May of 1862 under the command of General Wadsworth. The regiment also saw action at several major battles including Antietam and Fredericksburg in 1862, Chancellorsville and Gettysburg in 1863, Rapidan, Spottsylvania and Petersburg in 1864. The 104th was also present at Appomattox Court House when Confederate General Robert E. Lee and his army surrendered.

PETER A. NOBLET, 42TH WI, Co. B (ancestor of Barbara Hale)

Noblet's regiment was organized at Madison, WI. They were stationed at Johnsville, TN guarding the railroad and supplies from October 15-November 30, 1865. On November 4-5 they repulsed an attack on Johnsville. They moved to Clarksville, TN on November 30 and then on to Nashville in December and to Dechard, TN in January. They stood guard duty at the the Elk River Bridge and along the line of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad until June of 1865.

DUVCW National Convention, Crowne Plaza
Grand Rapids, MI July 26-30, 2017

- If you have not already done so, please consider honoring your Civil War ancestor by writing a biography to be posted on our Tent #23 website (Members/Ancestors).
- Photos may accompany your article.
- Please submit these to our webmaster, Martha Hay at m.k.hay.mh@gmail.com