

mend that that part of the G.W.P.'s Report which refers to the assassination of President Lincoln, be referred to a special Committee.  
—Adopted.

The G.W.A. named as said Committee:—Reps. Becket and Manning, with instructions to report forthwith.

Moved by G.W.A. Josleyn, and seconded:—That the Grand Scribe be instructed to grant Credentials to all members of this Grand body who may desire to attend the Convention to meet at Saratoga, on 1st August next.

Special Committee, to whom was referred that part of the G.W.P.'s report referring to the assassination of President Lincoln, Report as follows:—

*Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of C. E.*

While your Committee join with the G.W.P. in rejoicing over the happy termination of the late destructive war, they desire to record their horror of and detestation for the assassination of the late President of the United States, and do, hereby, tender to his bereaved widow and family, its profound sympathy in their sorrow.

That whilst we deeply regret the loss of life and treasure occasioned by the late war, we yet rejoice in the conviction, that the blood shed and the treasure expended has not been in vain, but, under Providence, has resulted in the overthrow of that sum of all villany, Slavery, and the establishment of freedom to a hitberto oppressed race.

That we express our earnest hope that the bands of Union may be drawn closer than ever, and that as the result of peace, the blessings of Temperance, Prosperity and Religion may be universally diffused throughout the United States.—Adopted unanimously.

Moved by Rep. Becket, and seconded:—That this Grand Division do now adjourn, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 instead of 10 o'clock.

Adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, 6th July, 1865.

9 o'clock, a.m.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as previous Session.

Opened in due form, read Report of Good and Welfare Committee on G.W.P.'s Report:—

*To the G.W.P., Officers and Brothers of G.D. of C.E.*

Your Committee regret that the G.W.P. has not been able to visit the several Divisions within his jurisdiction, and would recommend that he visit as many as circumstances would permit, as great good would doubtlessly result from such visits.

Your Committee are pleased to notice in reports from several Divisions, of the happy and cheering influence of the presence of the ladies, and hope no Division will unwisely exclude them from its meetings.

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