

CITY OF GLOUCESTER, MA VETERAN MEMORIALS

NAME: East Gloucester Civil War Dead

LOCATION: Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant Avenue

CAMPAIGN: Civil War

TYPE: Monument

DATE DEDICATED: May 27, 1868

INSCRIPTION:

IN MEMORY OF
THE MEN FROM EAST GLOUCESTER,
WHO LOST THEIR LIVES
IN THE REBELLION OF 1861.

IN HONOR OF:

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George Nichols
Richard J. Powers
Thomas Ralph
Henry Blatchford
George Hutchins
Calvin Patterson
George McKeen
Mathew Vasconcellos
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EAST GLOUCESTER CIVIL WAR MONUMENT

The monument at Mt. Pleasant cemetery, East Gloucester, was the first of the kind erected on Cape Ann. It is symmetrically modeled shaft, 20 feet, 5 inches high, and stands in the center of the grounds. It was dedicated with much ceremony, May 27, 1868. Following is the inscription:

“In memory of the men from East Gloucester, who lost their lives in the Rebellion of 1861-1867.”

Names inscribed are: Thomas Butler, Ira W. Greenleaf, George Nichols, Richard J. Powers, Thomas Ralph, Henry Blatchford, George Hutchins, Calvin Patterson, George McKeen, Mathre Vasconcellos, Joseph P. Wonson, James Gray, Hiram Varney, Frank Stanton, Francis Marmo.

From Pringle's History of Gloucester.



and was well adapted to the occasion by saying that the Rebellion was quickly national anniversary, which as the birth-day of freedom,

ast Fall's election is soon following anniversary, which we appreciate, although a cloud has over our cause. He expressed his cheering fact that Gloucester prohibition when all around the enemy were successful. his subject as "The Good Old," and gave an able exemplarism, and words of admonition and counsel to the order. The address was an abounding in apt illustrations, and we regret our inability to abstract of it.

I spoke with her usual grace and was listened to with great attention allied to the title of Good Old. I mentioned that those who have themselves up as being good order, but as indicating the aims of the order,—the kind could build. She exhibited a bunch of leaves, plucked in the garden which she had that day received in the Holy Land, and thoughts and lessons which they

bert spoke earnestly and eloquently of the temperance cause of those who were enlisted in

the meeting was a decided success as a worthy observance of the anniversary of an institution which has done so much for our community during the past year, and is still actively engaged in its work.

It is almost useless for us to lecture by this gentleman, except to remind people that they should be secured if they wish. That he is an eloquent and time moving his audience with descriptions of the sufferings wrought by the demon of intemperance, and the next moment convulsions

New Bedford, which, together, made a loss of \$70,000 to their owners.

PATENT.

Among the patents issued for the week ending May 19th, was one to Mr. Benjamin

for a process of obtaining gelatine from fish heads. *Patent MAY 27, 1868*

DEDICATION OF SOLDIER'S MONUMENT.—The monument erected by the citizens of East Gloucester, at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, in memory of the soldiers from that part of the town who fell in the War of the Rebellion, will be dedicated to-day. The monument was erected and completed last Fall, but the dedication was postponed until Spring, on account of the severity of the weather on the days set apart for the dedicatory ceremonies in November. Company G of this town and Company C of Marblehead will be present at the dedication, accompanied by the Gloucester Cornet Band. The Good Templars of this locality will also

- will commence at 11 o'clock P. M., and will be followed by the following order:
- Dirge by the Band.
- Prayer by Rev. J. H. Gannett.
- Original Ode, by a select choir.
- Address by B. H. Smith, Esq.
- American Hymn, by Cornet Band.
- Poem by James Davis, Esq.
- Remarks.
- Pleyel's Hymn, by East Gloucester Cornet Band.

Military Salute.

FROM THE WEST.—A private letter from Wisconsin, under date of May 17th, speaks of the prospect of a good crop as encouraging. The writer says:

"We have our crops all in, and the prospect is good for a large crop. Our fields have changed color from the black soil to a dark green. Our wheat is from four to six inches high, and the waving grass in our meadows reminds us that our mower will soon be in use. Our cherry trees and most of our apple trees are in blossom. We need rain very much.

"I commenced sowing wheat the 24th day of March, and finished April 11th. There were several days of bad weather; we were nine days sowing our wheat. I planted

in Haverhill and Bradford.

The Newburyport Herald has a report of excellent sugar made by a young man of Byfield Parish, from the sap of wild rose hedges.

the bitterness of the rod. A Salem dentist, who knows how to make an artificial nose, has been applied to by a physician of Boston to exercise in making an artificial nose and eye for a patient of the latter.

The population of Essex County has increased forty thousand since 1850.

The town of Lynnfield is said to be the healthiest in this State. There has been a single death reported there for the last three months.

It cost the town of Saugus, last year, the maintenance of its paupers, \$1,000 a week each.

A youth from Salem was sent to the State Prison for five years for burglary during the present term of the Essex Superior Court. He is but eighteen years of age and has been sentenced to the House of Correction for the same term.

LEGISLATURE.—On Friday, in the Senate, the bill in addition to an act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors was taken up for special assignment. Most of the amendments were concurred in. In the House, the death of James Capen, Representative from the eleventh district of Norfolk county, was announced.

On Saturday, in the Senate, the bill concerning the Salem turnpike and the toll bridges in Essex County (farther amended) was ordered to be engrossed. In the House, the committee on harbors reported a bill respecting licenses to build up wharves, providing that nothing in any act or resolution expressing in terms that an authority to build upon, fill up, or excavate ground under tide water is revocable at the discretion of the legislature, shall be construed as implying an intention on the part of the Commonwealth that like ground which the right of revocation is not expressed in terms should be exempt from the operation of the act of revocation.

On Monday, in the Senate, the bill in addition to an act relating to the assessment of taxes was reported.

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DEDICATION OF THE SOLDIERS' MONUMENT AT EAST GLOUCESTER.

The monument erected to the memory of the deceased soldiers, belonging to East Gloucester, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies on Wednesday afternoon last. The day was as pleasant as could be desired, with the exception of a little chilliness in the air. The exercises were very interesting, and consisted of speaking, an original poem, and music.

About two o'clock, the military having arrived at the Square in East Gloucester, they were joined by delegations from Fraternity and Eastern Star Lodges, of Good Templars, and proceeded to the cemetery at Mount Pleasant, where the Monument had been erected. The order of procession was as follows:

Gloucester Cornet Band, A. S. Davis, leader, 17 pieces.

Co. G, 8th Reg't, Capt. B. F. Cook, 53 men.

Marblehead Brass Band, Kneeland Wing, leader, 18 pieces.

Co. C, 8th Reg't, (of Marblehead,) Capt. Phillip Woodfin, 56 men.

Delegations from Fraternity and Eastern Citizens generally.

On entering the cemetery, the Cornet Band played "The Star Spangled Banner" by Rev. Mr. CAEDER, after which the band performed Old Hundred.

The address by B. H. SMITH, Esq., was next delivered. In commencing his remarks, Mr. Smith said he was glad to see so many assembled to pay respect to the memory of our departed soldiers. We had had our welcomings and rejoicings over the return of the living, and had now come to revere the memory of those who had never returned. To thus perform rites in honor of fallen soldiers, by strewing their graves with flowers and raising stones to their memory was no new thing in history. Men of all ages have paid homage to valor by erecting memorial stones, to its honor. In Athens, the body of the deceased soldiers were, at the public expense, interred in the most beautiful manner of the city.

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brave men can do in preserving a republic.

At the conclusion of Mr. Gilbert's remarks, the Cornet Band played the national air, "The Star Spangled Banner."

Mr. Watson Minchinton was next called upon, by thought and feeling, and was said about this monument and the men, — he would call attention to the widows and orphans whom the deceased had left. Remember them when the winter's wind howls around their door, and carry them something in kindness. This will be holding their friends in remembrance, as much as building this monument.

Rev. Mr. GANNETT was the next speaker. He was suffering from a cold which rendered his remarks inaudible except to those near the stand. He was glad that he was one of the first 75,000 who had sprung to defend the stars and stripes against a flag bearing for its emblems a rattlesnake and palmetto tree. He expressed a desire to hear from Capt. Cook.

Capt. B. F. Cook said that he had been at the State House for five months, and had never made a speech, and he did not intend to make his maiden speech to-day. He wished to hear from Capt. Knott V. Martin of Gloucester, but he was unable to do so, and left the ground.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, the company from Marblehead to reach home that day. The meeting was about an hour and a half in length, and was presided over by Mr. AMOS A. STORY, of East Gloucester.

The monument is a handsomely designed and well-proportioned structure, of Rockport Granite, nicely hammered, and twenty feet five inches in height. On the front of the monument in sunken letters is the following inscription:—"In memory of the men from East Gloucester, who lost their lives in the Rebellion of 1861." And on the base, in raised figures, the year of its erection "1867." The sides of the monument bore the names of those to whose memory it was erected, in the following order: "Thomas Dutier, Ira W. Greenleaf, George Nichols, Richard P. ... Blackford, George Hutchins, Green, Mo...

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the body of the deceased soldiers were, at the public expense, interred in the most honorable manner of the day.

But when was tribute more due than to those who gave their lives to their country—in whose memory we are gathered to-day? When should memorial stone be erected, if not to the volunteer who fought for his country by sea and land, by hostile river and in open fields, stood at the post through Winter's cold and Summer's heat, where the very air they breathed and the water they drank were more fatal than the bullet? Then to those who with feeble hands and parched lips, stood by the flag, until they sealed their loyalty with the last and greatest proof of devotion.

It is good to pause and remember that these are our brothers—these soldiers, these noble men were fellow-citizens, and free-men defending the divine right of Liberty.

The speaker paid a tribute to the memory of President Lincoln. We cannot discriminate between the services of patriot soldiers and patriot statesmen, and the name of Abraham Lincoln will never be stricken from the record.

There is no better way to honor the memory of these departed heroes than, in spite of party prejudice, to hold fast to our principles. A loftier monument to their memory is a re-united country, where justice is served to all, with no distinction of caste.

Not for this nation alone, were their lives sacrificed. Their principles are awakening in other lands. They are mounting the steps of the English parliament-house, and glow upon the lips of a Bright, a Gladstone and a Mill; their language is heard in the Legislature of France; from the far-off, mountainous island of Crete, where they are fighting for liberty, they receive new life, as they hear of the triumph of liberty in the Western world.

There is no need to rehearse the story of their lives. How they sprang to arms at the call of their leader, now sleeping his last sleep beneath the green turf of the Western prairie; how they did their duty when the republic was menaced with traitors at home and enemies abroad. We are too near the scenes to appreciate, in its full lustre and glory, the significance of the contest; when the smoke and confusion shall have rolled away before the lapse of years, their deeds will be revealed in all their moral and

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DR. HEBBARD'S LECTURES.—We would draw the attention of the public to the course of lectures advertised by Dr. Hebbard, the first of which will be delivered Monday evening, June 1st, at the New Town Hall. The subject of the lectures is health, and the physiological laws which bear upon it. Dr. Hebbard has achieved eminent success as a lecturer in Boston, New York, Lynn, Salem, and all other cities in which he has appeared. The charm of the lectures is that they are as entertaining as they are instructive, and are delivered in so animated a spirit and pervaded by so original a tone that the subjects of which they treat. They are interspersed with many anecdotes of an amusing character. The style of expression is of that character which perhaps would be best appreciated by the thinking classes, but yet it is generally so forcible and clear that it cannot fail to be understood by everyone. Necessarily the subject of health is that upon which human happiness chiefly depends. It is, however, a matter which is very imperfectly understood, and for this reason we trust the lecturer will be well sustained by a large audience every evening.

The admission to the first lecture will be free.

POLICE COURT.

Before JAMES DAVIS, Esq., Standing Justice. Tuesday, May 26th—Thomas D'Coster paid a fine and costs for drunkenness, amounting to \$9.25.

Thursday, 28th—Peter Wilson plead guilty to the charge of drunkenness, and paid a fine and costs amounting to \$9.25.

John C. Goodwin and John Gorman were arraigned for mutual assault and plead guilty to the charge. Fined \$10 each and one half of costs each, taxed at \$10.75.

Joseph Antone King Smith was arraigned for assault on Mary Silva. He plead guilty to the same and paid a fine and costs amounting to \$13.35. He was also ordered to give bonds in the sum of \$50 to keep the peace three months, with which he com-

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It is good to be here. And when we who now stand here shall be covered by silent earth, our children will revere the spot where the dead rest, who fell in the strife of manhood and liberty.

Mr. Smith's remarks were followed by music—American Hymn, by the Cornet Band, after which an original poem was read by JAMES DAVIS, Esq. The poem was well written, but our space this morning does not allow of our giving it to our readers. At its close, the Marblehead Band performed a national air—"The Red, White

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LEGISLATURE.—In the House, on Wednesday, twelve amendments made in the Senate to the bill concerning the Salem Turnpike and Chelsea Bridge, and the several toll bridges in Essex County, were considered and all concurred in, excepting that in section 8 concerning the bridges in Lawrence, which was defeated by the opposition of the Lawrence members.

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Essex, 25th Nov.—An adjourned meeting of the citizens of Essex, in favor of forming an open temperance organization was held in the vestry of the North Church last evening, and the following persons were elected as officers of the organization: President, Ebenezer Stanwood; Vice Presidents, Rev. J. M. Bacon, Messrs. Benjamin Goodhue and Joseph Procter, Jr.; Secretary, Dr. W. H. H. U. Five City Councilors, Nene-miah Burnham, E. W. Lander and Ebenezer Stanwood.

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ADDISON GILBERT, Esq., was then called on, and spoke of the services of the army in the late rebellion as having kept the flag which Washington first threw to the breeze on the first of January, 1776, still flying in honor, over a free and great people, though enemies had tried to trample it in the dust, and divide our country into petty states. All honor to the ladies of East Gloucester. They have shown to us that the women of Sparta were not alone in duty to their country. This monument is a memento of what

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Flounces are now the rage in Paris. As many as thirty-six are to be put on, many in dresses, and moreover the flounces are to be of Valenciennes. Valenciennes is also fashionable on silks, to the great dismay of husbands and fathers, who have to foot the bills. Bonnets, however, are growing smaller, if possible.

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