

The object of the Society was to keep alive and preserve the cordial feeling which was one of the characteristics of this Army during its career in the service during the Civil War of 1861 to 1865.

Major-General John A. Rawlins was made the first permanent President, and Colonel L. M. Dayton the first Recording Secretary. General W. T. Sherman succeeded General Rawlins as President and General G. M. Dodge followed General Sherman as President.

Upon the death of Colonel Dayton, in 1891, Colonel Cadle was appointed to succeed him, and he filled the position of Recording Secretary for nearly twenty-two years, as long as he lived; and he was never happier than when attending the annual reunions of the Society, and otherwise filling the requirements of the office.

Colonel Cadle was a brave soldier, a loyal citizen, a courteous gentleman and a faithful friend, and will be missed wherever he was known. He left a widow, four brothers and a sister to mourn his loss.