The Soldiers' Home at Johnson City.

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Adjt. Gen. Richards of Maine says that the story that Confederate veterans are to be admitted to the new National Home at Johnson City, Tenn., has no foundation in fact. He notes that the act creating the homes provides that only those who were honorably discharged from the Union armies are entitled to a residence at the homes. He supposes that the story arose from the fact that the home was to be established for Southern soldiers. But when it is remembered that 350,000 men from Southern States fought in the Federal armies, it will be seen that this home at the best will be not too large to accommodate the Union veterans in the South who are in need of an asylum of this sort. The idea in locating the home so far South is to give the old soldiers living in the Southern States a home where they will not be subject to the rigors of the northern climate.

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