

***Between the Lines:
Reading about the Civil War
Book Discussion Group***

**A Partnership between Linebaugh Library and
the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area**

***The Good Men Who Won the War: Army of the Cumberland Veterans
and Emancipation Memory (2010), by Robert Hunt***

Questions

Who is Hunt writing about, and what sources does he use?

What made these veterans “good” in their own eyes?

What was “practical abolitionism”? (See quote on p. 10)

On p. 87, Hunt writes that the veterans set forth “a puzzling and fragmented voice regarding African Americans”—how would you describe this voice?

How did the veterans treat Reconstruction, for the most part?

What did you think of Hunt’s comparison (pp. 99, 101) of the Civil War to a 20th-century foreign war?

Did anything surprise you about the book?

Was there as much about emancipation memory in the book as you expected?