

J 87

PERSONAL SKETCHES  
OF THE  
**Thirty-First U. S. V. I.**  
AND OTHERS,  
**At Fort Thomas, Ky.**

---

MRS. MARY T. WHITSON.

WCH



# Roster of the 31st U. S. V. II.

FORT THOMAS, KY.

COL., JAMES SUMNER PETIT. - 1st Infantry  
LIEUT.-COL., WEBB C. HAYES.

1st Ohio Cavalry

## MAJORS.

Lloyd W. Brett,  
Hunter Liggett,  
Jno. E. McMahon.

2nd Cavalry  
5th Infantry  
4th Artillery

## SURGEONS.

Major., James N. Henry.  
Capt., Alvan S. Hawkins.  
Lieut., R. S. Porter.

4th U. S. Vol Inf

## REGIMENTAL ADJUTANT.

Capt., J. Van Ness Philip.

## COMMISSARY.

Lieut., B. Stark.

## CAPTAINS.

1st Ohio Cavalry  
6th U. S. Vol Inf  
1st Ohio Cavalry  
10th Ohio Inf  
2nd Ohio Inf  
2nd Ohio Inf

Chas. P. Stivers,  
James L. Burchfield,  
Wm. L. Gillenwater,  
W. M. Schofield,  
Arthur G. Sharpley,  
Chas. A. Reynolds,  
Wm. J. White,  
Lucius C. Bennett.  
Wm. E. Cabell,  
Paul C. Gallaher,  
E. L. Gilmer, Cap. Jno. Wagner.

## FIRST LIEUTS.

Hugh C. Preston.  
D. W. Chamberlain.  
Chas. Richmond,  
Robt. Coleman, Payne,  
Kent Browning,



Wm. M. Meek,  
 Authur T. Balentine,  
 A. Thompson.  
 Marion B. Wilhoit,  
 W. O. Reed,  
 W. A. Castle,  
 Frank L. Lowry,  
 Percy H. Hawkins,  
 Chas. O. Thomas,  
 Jno. B. Farmer,

SECOND LIEUTS.

W. H. Murray,  
 David A. Snyder,  
 Henry Gibbons,  
 W. O. Bowman.  
 Wm. B. Eulass,  
 A. E. Dietsch,  
 John P. Spurr,  
 J. A. Simpson,  
 H. D. Mitchell,  
 Wilford Twyman,  
 H. W. Lindsey,  
 Albert S. Stevens.

*3rd* 1st Battalion, A, B, C, D, Captains Chas. P. Stivers, Paul  
 C. Gallagher, L. C. Bennett and W. E. Cabell.

*1st* 2d Battalion, E, F, G, H, Captains W. L. Gillenwater, W.  
 M. Scofield, Arthur G. Sharpley, W. J. White.

*1st* 3d Battalion, I, K, L, M, Captains J. L. Burchfield, Chas.  
 A. Reynolds, Capt. Wagner, E. L. Gilmer.

FORT THOMAS, KENTUCKY.

Personal Sketches of the 31st U. S. V. I.

The 31st U. S. V. I., mobilized at Fort Thomas, Ky., commanded by that splendid officer Col. James Sumner Petit, has the distinction of being the first regiment to complete its quota—under the new call—for service in the Phillipines, and consequently will be the first one to embark for that far off country. Every officer in the regiment has seen service in the Spanish-American war, and it is no flattery to say that a finer body of officers cannot be found in the service than the 31st. Col. Petit has a right to be proud of them; their soldierly bearing and qualifications, and when this regiment lands on the Island of Luzon you will hear from them.

COL. JAMES SUMMER PETIT, Colonel of the 31st, U. S. V. I., was born in New Lisbon, Columbiana County, Ohio, on the fourth day of August, 1846. Graduated at West Point in the class of 1878. Was commissioned second Lieutenant in the First United States Infantry, and since that time has been stationed all over the country, Oregon, California, Texas. Was appointed Colonel of the Fourth Immunes or Fourth United States Vols., and was stationed at Manzanillo, Cuba, seven months. Returned to the United States on the 15th of May, 1899, and was mustered out of service on the 8th of last June. According to Dr. Henry, Regimental Surgeon of the 31st U. S. V. I., who was with the 4th Immunes during their stay in Cuba, that regiment had better health and could show a lower rate of mortality than any other in the tropics. The commanding officer of the 31st was several times Instructor at West Point, and was Instructor in Military Science at Yale one term. There is nothing commonplace about the Colonel. He has lots of dash and aggressiveness, and individuality, and will be known hereafter as the "hustling Colonel of the 31st" on account of his regiment being the first to be filled and the first to get off, which will be early in September.

Col. Petit has a fine, ruddy complexion, is a stylish looking officer, and better than all, he has the respect of his men. He married an army officer's daughter at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1886, and has a son and daughter, the latter a charming little girl with lovely manners. Col. Petit has in his regiment two of Col. Murray's boys, 4th Ky. U. S. Vols., mustered out at Anniston, Ala., last winter, Lieutenants Simpson and Wilhoit, two as fine young officers as ever won a shoulder strap. So far as prestige is concerned, Col. Petit has been particularly fortunate in the assignment of officers to his regiment representatives, as, they are of the very best families in the



country, having seen service in the Spanish-American war, which is good for the new recruits, as their officers will know better how to care for them, than they did at Chickamauga, when fifty thousand soldiers sweltered last summer, their camps full of flies and mosquitoes and sickening odors. I am going to say in this connection that Col. Cornelius Gardner, of the then 31st Michigan, had by all odds the cleanest, most artistically and attractively arranged camp at Chickamauga.

LT. COL. WEBB C. HAYES, 31st U. S. V. I., is, as everybody knows, a son of President Hayes, which gives him a prestige that comes only occasionally.

Col. Hayes is both a soldier and a hero. He made his gallant record at Santiago, when the Mausers were flying thick around him under the burning Cuban skies, having had his horse killed under him in the famous charge at San Juan Hill, and was himself wounded. He went through the Cuban and Poto Rican campaigns with conspicuous gallantry, and has everywhere added to the lustre that surrounds the name of Hayes. Col. Webb Hayes is both a soldier and a hero. You will remember what the gallant Lawton said last winter at the Atlanta Peace Jubilee, that he "was not a hero, only a United States soldier trying to do his duty."

Col. Hayes was born in 1856, in the 20 of March; graduated at Cornell University in the class of 1876. Is a manufacturer of Electrical Appliances. He volunteered at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war in the 1st Ohio U. S. V. I. and was appointed Major on the 9th of May, 1898, and assigned to the Second Cavalry Brigade and was attached himself to the staff of General S. B. M. Young. He was at Las Quasinia June 24th, and in the fight at San Juan, July 1, where he was wounded and his horse killed under him. After returning from Cuba, was ordered to Poto Rico, where he remained until the declaration of Peace. Returned to the U. S. and was with his regiment at Huntsville. Was appointed Lt. Col. of the 31st U. S. V. I. with rank from July 5, 1899.

Webb C. Hayes is a thorough soldier, solid and practical, with no nonsense about him. It has been the custom for the public to condemn the appointment of certain officers, simply because they were "somebody's sons." It strikes me that the volunteer officers who are the sons of "great men" have won their laurels by hard fighting and a faithful discharge of their duties, and that they deserve golden encomiums, as is the case of Col. Hayes and "Handsome Jack Logan." Where was there a more faithful and conscientious officer or a more gallant one than Major Logan?

That aristocratic, proud air of his, becomes him wonderfully, and he could not help being born good looking, because he inherited it. You know a great hue and cry went up from the press, that so many volunteer officers had had no "military experience." How many of them outside the regular army had, and how was a man going to get experience until he saw service?

All this row made by the press about great men's sons, reminds me of what Sam Jones (of Ga.) said about (in reference to himself) the little dog barking at the moon. The moon kept on shining and the little dog kept on barking, and so it was with the Press. The President kept on appointing them, and many came home with scars and covered with glory.

CAPT. J. VAN NESS PHILIP, Adjutant 31st U. S. V. I., has his home in Washington and New York Cities. He comes of distinguished ancestry, and is a great grandson of Gen. Van Ness, who was the first member of Congress from the State of New York. Capt. Philip was born in Washington, D. C., on April —, 1866. His father, Col. H. Wm. Philip, was a native of New York. His mother a native of Maryland. Adjutant Philip is elegantly educated. He graduated from St. Paul's, Garden City, Long Island, Military School, in 1884, and from Princeton in 1889. At Paris Ecole de Droit he took a course of International Law, 1890-91. Graduated from the Columbian Law School at Washington, D. C., 1894, and was admitted to the Bar same year. Capt. Philip was Aid de Camp to Gen. Ordway, commanding the National Guard, District of Columbia, in 1895-6. Was a delegate from New York to the Democratic National Convention at Chicago, and a delegate same year to the Presidential Convention at Indianapolis from the 19th Congressional District of New York. Was appointed First Lieut. and Adj. of the 4th U. S. V. on the 31st of May, 1898, and went with the regiment to Cuba, and was with them from October 17th to May, 1899. Was mustered out on June 8th, 1899. Was appointed Captain and Adjutant of the 31st U. S. V. I., July 5th, 1899, and arrived at Fort Thomas on July 11th, Col. Petit having arrived two days previous.

MAJ. JAMES N. HENRY, the highly polished and distinguished Surgeon of the 31st U. S. V. I., has his home in New York City, where his skill brought him a very wealthy practice. Major Henry was born in Annapolis, Md., on the 8th of July, 1859; graduated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, N. Y., also of the most famous colleges in Europe, having studied in France and Germany.



Major Henry was the Surgeon in the Fourth U. S. Immunes, Col. Petit's regiment, remaining with the regiment during their stay in Cuba, during which period the 4th U. S. V. I. can show a better health record and less mortality than any regiment in the tropics. There were only eleven deaths in one year and one month—five of the eleven were from disease. The 4th was at Manzanillo eight months. Dr. Henry came out of that regiment with a splendid record.

CAPT. CHAS. P. STIVERS, Co. A, 31st U. S. V. I., lives in Dayton, Ohio. He was born in the camp of the 7th Infantry near Shreveport, La., on the 20 of March, 1858. Is a son of Capt. Chas. B. Stivers, who was a Lieut. in the 7th, who is now retired as a Capt, leaving the army just after the close of the war between the States and who still lives in Dayton. Capt. Stivers graduated at West Point in the class of 1879, and was commissioned Second Lieut. in the 9th Infantry. Resigned in October, 1888, and went back to Chicago and engaged in the insurance business seven years. He enlisted in Co. E, 2d Missouri, and was transferred to Troop E, 1st Ohio Cavalry, in which Troop he was 1st Sergeant and remained with them until they were mustered out. Was appointed to the 31st on July 5, 1899.

Capt. Stivers is Senior Captain in the Regiment. Having spent as many years in the army as he did, it follows that he is a good military officer.

Kent Browning is 1st Lieut in this company and David A. Snyder, Second Lieut.

LIEUT. JAMES A. SIMPSON, 31st U. S. V. I., at Fort Thomas, is just as fine an officer as ever wore a shoulder strap. He made a splendid record in the 4th Ky. Vols., as an officer thoroughly up on military tactics, and as a drill officer, and he is as thorough a gentleman as you would find in a year's travel, always courteous and always in a good humor. Lieut. Simpson was a favorite in the 4th Ky. when encamped at Anniston, Ala. Born in Ky. in 1872; graduated at Lexington literary course in 1891, and in medicine at Minneapolis in 1897. He practiced medicine at Miles City, Montana, for a while and returned to Kentucky in 1898. Stayed a while in Louisville and then located in Albany, Ky. Lieut. Simpson saw service in the Regular Army, having been a soldier in the 23d U. S. I., having been private, corporal and sergeant. Afterward transferred to the hospital corps 23d U. S. I. and stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. Was in the Hospital School of Medicine for some months. Then he was sent to Fort Snelling, Minn. He was in Albany, Ky., in the practice of his profession, when the first call was issued for volunteers, and was appointed 1st

Lieut., Co. I, 4th Ky. He has seen service in the medical department of the 3d U. S. I. at Fort Snelling, and the 2d U. S. I. at Fort Keogh. Gov. Bradley appointed him 1st Lieut., Co. 1, 4th Ky., and he remained with the regiment and mustered out at Anniston, Ala. The President of the U. S. made a good and acceptable appointment when he made Lieut. Simpson an officer in the 31st U. S. V. I.

CAPT. E. L. GILMER, Co. L, lives in the historic old town of Greensboro, N. C., where Jas. E. Johnston surrendered his gallant little army in 1865. Hon. John A. Gilmer, the Capt.'s father, now dead, was one of North Carolina's most eminent lawyers. He was a very eloquent jurist and had a large practice, whom the writer remembers very kindly years ago. The Capt. of Co. L was born in Greensboro, graduated at the University of N. C. in 1871. Is in the tobacco business. Was appointed 1st Lieut in Co. D, Second N. C., first call, and mustered out of service Nov. 12, 1898. Was appointed Capt. in the 31st on the 5th of July.

CAPT. WM. H. GILLENWATER, Co. E, formerly in the 6th Immunes commanded by Col. Tyson, commandant of the University of Knoxville, Tenn., was born in Rogersville, East Tenn. on the 27th of December, 1871. There is something in the air of East Tenn. that seems to develop wit and intellect, though all the so-called dialect writers have given East Tennessee a speech or dialect that the people there never heard of—positively unrecognisable. Horace Maynard, father of that gallant officer, Capt. Maynard, commanding the Nashville which fired the first shot of the war, was a native of E. T. The home of Brownlow, Andrew Johnson and the two Taylors and a host of other brilliant men, was East Tennessee. Capt. Gillenwater is the son of Hon. W. P. Gillenwater. Read law with his father and was admitted to the bar before he was twenty-one years of age. I should have said he received his literary education at Knoxville and Grant Universities. Began the practice of law, in which he has been very successful, at Rogersville and the adjoining counties. Acted as private secretary to Hon. Wm. G. Brownlow while a member of Congress. Two years of life in Washington, so far as knowledge is concerned, is a whole life spent in a small town. Capt. Gillenwater enlisted in the 6th Immunes or 6th U. S. V. I. and was appointed Capt. of Co. E, and was with his regiment in Puerto Rico. Returned to the U. S. and was mustered out at Savannah, Ga., on March 15th, 1899. Was appointed Capt. of E, 31st U. S. V. I., July 5th.

Capt. Gillenwater is an intelligent, genial officer and a strict disciplinarian.



CAPT. CHAS. A. REYNOLDS, Co. K, 31st U. S. V. I.; home Zanesville, Ohio. Capt. Reynolds is a big, fine looking officer, through whose veins runs plenty of the milk of human kindness, and who brings a good record from the volunteer army in the Spanish-American war. He is well known throughout Ohio, as he has been prominently identified with the Cincinnati Enquirer. Was born in Steubenville, Ohio, on the 17th of February, 1857. Educated in the home schools. Read law and was admitted to the bar in 1874. Was elected City Solicitor of Steubenville in 1880, and re-elected in 1882. Removed to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and was engaged in newspaper business for years. Came back to Ohio in 1889, and was with the Cleveland Plaindealer, also with a Zanesville daily Paper. Joined the Ohio Nat. Guard, the Steubenville Grays, afterward the McCall Light Guard.

Capt. Reynolds commanded Co. C, 17th O. N. G. and transferred to the 10th Ohio, which was in camp at Augusta, Ga., commanded by that gallant officer, Col. Axline. The 10th Ohio was one of the crack regiments in the volunteer service. They were big, strong, athletic men of splendid physical stature. It was the 10th Ohio, I think, that took part in the "rounding up" of the mutinous company of the 15th Minn. Vols., assisted by the 3d U. S. Cav. Anyhow the 15th Minn. Vols. was just as fine a body of men as was ever gotten together from Lt. Col. Gatzian down to the non-commissioned officers. Barring the mutiny, there never was any disorder in the 15th Minn. The writer met personally nearly every officer in the regiment.

Co. K, 10th Ohio, commanded by Capt. Reynolds, was mustered out at Augusta on the 23d of March, the regiment given a grand reception on their return home. Was appointed Capt. in the 31st U. S. V. I. and assigned to Co. K.

1st Lieut. in Co. K is Percy Hawkins. 2d Lieut., Twyman. Ohio, Ky. and Ind. Compose Co. K.

HUGH C. PRESTON, Adjutant Third Battalion, 31st U. S. Vols., lives at Radford, Virginia. He is a member of that famous family of Prestons of Virginia and South Carolina, who have always been distinguished for their high social connections. As a matter of course the Prestons fought under the Confederate flag. Adjutant Preston relates a story of an uncle of his, Capt. Baldwin G. Preston, who swore an oath that he would never shave until the South gained her independence. He kept his oath to the day of his death.

Hugh C. Preston, son of Col. James F. Preston, Fourth Va., C. S. A., under Stonewall Jackson, was born in Union, Va., now West Virginia, on Sept. 5th, 1856. His mother was a

Miss Caperton, an old Virginia family. Adjutant Preston graduated at the Virginia Military Institute, July 4th, 1877. Is in the general insurance business at home. Was Mayor of Radford, Va., from 1892 to 1896. Was Captain of Co. B, known as Radford Rifles, now disbanded. When the call came for troops at the outbreak of Hispano-American war, Mr. Preston recruited Co. M in the 4th Immunes and was mustered into service at East Radford, June 25th, 1898. Arrived at Fredericksburg, Va., on the morning of the 27th, and left for Jacksonville, Fla., on the 17th, of Aug. 1898. Remained there until the 10th of October. Left for Cuba on the transport Roumania on Oct. 12. Arrived at Manzanillo on the evening of the 17th of Oct., and remained in the tropics up to May 11th, 1899, and arrived in N. Y. on the night of May 15th, and the morning of May 17th moved by rail to Camp Meade, Pa., and was mustered out on the 8th of June. Was appointed 1st Lieut. in the 31st U. S. V. I. July 5th. Married Miss Baldwin, daughter of the well-known Supt. of the Western Lunatic Asylum. Mr. Preston's mother was a sister of Gen. Echols' first wife. Adjutant Preston has the highly polished manners of the old Virginia gentleman, that meant so much in the old aristocratic days of slavery.

CAPT. SCHOFIELD, a native of Ohio and an officer in the 1st Ohio Cavalry in the Spanish-American war, commands Co. F, 31st U. S. V. I. W. O. Reed is 1st Lieut. and A. E. Deitsch 2d Lieut. The latter is a law student, son of the present Chief of Police, having served in the 1st Ohio Cav.

1ST LIEUT. W. O. REED, Co. F., 31st U. S. V. I., lives in Springfield, Ky., and is a very bright, smart lawyer. Was born in Washington Co., Ky., in 1874. Graduated at Centre College in the class of 1892. Was admitted to the practice of law at Springfield, Ky., in 1894. Held the office of City Attorney at Springfield for one term. Served as 1st Lieut. in the 1st Ky., U. S. V. I., in Co. K through the Puerto Rican campaign. Went to Ponce, but did not land. Disembarked at Mayaguez with a detachment under Col. Belknap from Louisville.

The 1st Ky., U. S. Vols., was encamped on the left of the main road leading to the Park from Lytle Station, Ga., which is about nine or ten miles from Chattanooga, Tennessee. One who ever saw the Park where the white tents of 50,000 soldiers stood can never forget the heat and dust and discomfort of that camp. For five or six weeks after the army came there, Chattanooga was a howling mob of drunken soldiers, and the R. R. cars that conveyed one to camp were dirtier than the imagination could conceive of. The mismanagement in high



quarters is matter of history, especially when a horse doctor was Surgeon in chief of that army. Some funny things happened at Chickamauga. Gen'l Mattocks ordered a private in the 1st Miss., commanded by Major Govan, to black his shoes, and he stood up and told him flatly that he would not do it. All of this does not have anything to do with Lieut. Reed, and I hope I may be pardoned, but the recollections pour into my mind with the memories of Chickamauga. Lieut. Reed commanded the Co, from Chickamauga to Puerto Rico. Lieut. Reed carries himself superbly and has a fine military bearing.

CAPTAIN WM. E. CABELL, Co. D, lives in Middlesboro, Ky. Was born in Greensburg, Ky., Oct. 4th, 1865. Graduated at Central University, Richmond, Ky., in 1886. Read law at Greensburg, and was admitted to the bar in 1897 or 8. Has lived ten years at Middlesboro, Ky., in the practice of his profession. Was Sergeant Major in the Second Ky. Vols., and was promoted August 12th at Chickamauga to a Lieut. Was mustered out Nov, 30th, 1898, at Lexington, Ky. Commissioned Capt. in the 31st July 5, 1899. Albert Thompson, Jr., is 1st Lieut. and Lieut. Monroe second.

CAPT. WM. J. WHITE, Co. H, is one of the handsomest officers in the regiment. He has the most pleasing manners, and all the nice things that could be said about him would not be flattery. His home is at North Baltimore, Ohio. He was born in this state on the 28th of May, 1864, his family being Ohio people. After graduating in his literary course he graduated at a Business College at Zanesville, Ohio. Is Secretary and Treasurer of the Zihlman Glass Co., a wealthy concern. He enlisted in the Second Ohio, U. S. Vols., and commanded Co. K in that regiment, Col. Kuert's regiment. Has been a member of the Ohio National Guard four years.

Was at Chickamauga, and I don't think I am informed whether or not the regiment was in Cuba. The Second Ohio was mustered out at Macon, Ga., on the 10th of Feb., 1899.

The chivalrous, handsome Capt. of Co. H is not married. If you ever meet him you will be bound to like him and to remember him.

FIRST LIEUT. ALBERT THOMPSON, JR., Co. D, 31st U. S. V. I., lives in Cincinnati, Ohio. Was born in Portsmouth, Ohio, Nov. 28th, 1870. Educated at Cornell University. Took a three years course in mechanical engineering. Is the son of Hon. Albert C. Thompson of Ohio, who represented the 12th District of Ohio in Congress. Was a Lieut. in the U. S. Vol. Signal Corps in the war with Spain and mustered out at Savannah, Ga. Appointed 1st Lieut. 31st U. S. V. July 5th, 1899.

1ST LIEUT. ARTHUR T. BALENTINE, Co. C, commanded by Capt. L. C. Bennett, who is also a native of Ohio, was born in Springfield, Ohio, on the 29th of April, 1872, of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Was educated at the Ohio State University. Graduated in 1894. Is a civil engineer by occupation. Lieut. Balentine was 1st Lieut. and Adjutant of the 1st Battalion of 2nd U. S. Engineers that helped lay out Montauk Point and Camp Meade. Was with the 7th Army Corps. Lieut. Balentine is very bright and smart and one of the most gallant officers in the 31st. (I know a young lady who thinks he is very handsome.) His regiment, 2d Engineers, went to Cuba on November 13th, 1898, and came home April 13th, 1899. He had just gotten a position on the Pa. R. R., when he received his appointment as 1st Lieut. 31st U. S. V. I., on July 5th, 1899.

Lieut. Bowman is 2nd Lieut. in Co. C.

SECOND LIEUT. A. H. STEVENS, Co. M, 31st U. S. Vols., lives in Washington, the glorious old District of Columbia. Was born in that city on the 19th of August, 1877. His father was from state of New York, and his mother, I think, a native of the District.

Lieut. Stevens received his military education at the Virginia Military Institute. Took an academic course at the University of Virginia. The gallant young Washingtonian was a member of the District of Columbia Engineers, and took part in the Cuban and Puerto Rican campaigns. The splendid work accomplished by the United States Engineers in those Spanish countries and the putting of the Islands in a sanitary condition, making them fit for human beings to live in, and the annihilation of ages of accumulated debris, entitles them to the highest commendation and admiration. Think how the death rate has been lowered. For instance in the City of Santiago, when they died at the rate of a hundred a day, it has been brought down to one or two a week. This is a gruesome subject. I would like to suggest that Congress make an appropriation for the erection of a monument in commemoration of the work of the United States Engineers in the recently acquired Islands. Lieut. Stevens came back to Washington September 18th, 1898. He joined the National Guard of District of Columbia April 21st, 1899, having been mustered out of U. S. service on the 4th of October, 1898. I should have said that he served through Cuba and Puerto as a sergeant. He was engaged in Real Estate business in Washington. His faithful work in the tropics was rewarded by his appointment as Second Lieut. in the 31st U. S. Vols. on the 23d of July, 1899.



1ST LIEUT. ROBT. COLEMAN PAYNE, Co. G, 31st U. S. V. I., lives in Southern Ky., at Hopkinsville. He has fine social connections, a handsome face, and exceedingly pleasant manners. Lieut. Payne was born in Hopkinsville, on Jan. 3d, 1875, and educated in the home schools. He is, I think, a traveling salesman for W. T. Cooper, one of the largest wholesale and retail grocers in Southern Ky. He acted as Second Lieut. in Co. E, Third Kentucky, U. S. V. I., in the first call, and was with that regiment in camp at Chickamauga, and in Cuba, where his regiment remained three months. There are two officers from the Fourth Ky., Lieuts. Simpson and Wilhoit, and two from the 3d Ky., Capt. Arthur G. Sharpley and Lieut. Payne. Capt. Sharpley is thoroughly *au fait* on military tactics and is one of the very best officers in Uncle Sam's army. He subordinates everything to duty, and will some day in the near future rise to a higher rank, as there is not a brighter officer in the army than Capt. Sharpley. A brilliant future lies before him and he will make his record in the Philippines.

The 3d Ky. was mustered out on May 14th at Savannah, Ga., of which dear old Southern city, the 3d Ky. has the most delightful recollections. It may not be inappropriate to remark in this connection that Savannah, Ga., has the finest military in the U. S., and that her riflemen are crack shots and always win at Sea Girt, N. J. Lieut. Payne was appointed 1st Lieut. his commission, &c., dating from July 5th.

2ND LIEUT. WM. B. EULASS, Co E, 31st U. S. V. I., lives in Lebanon, Ohio. Was born in Warren county, Ohio, on the 28th of December, 1873, and educated at the Lebanon High Schools and at the National Normal University. Enlisted in Company A, First Ohio Infantry as a private soldier and was stationed at Columbus, Ohio, and at Chickamauga Park. The review of 50,000 soldiers in the Park last summer, was one of the most inspiring and imposing sights ever witnessed, with bands playing, flags waving and soldiers keeping steps, was something to be remembered.

In that parade the 1st Vermont was commanded by Col. Osman Dewey Clarke, an own cousin of Admiral Dewey, a lawyer from Montpelier. Genl. Jos. R. Breckinridge, Genls. Wade and Brooke and John Jacob Astor and Col. Grigsby, of the Rough Riders, Col. Bills, of Nebraska, and the always famous 8th and 9th and 12th and 14th New York Vols. added to the brilliancy of the review, and the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 6th Ohio regiments did themselves proud. Afterward Lieut. Eulass went to the land of Ponce de Leon to Port Tampa, where the blue waters of Tampa Bay glittered in the sunshine, where you embark for Key West and Havana. Was also stationed at Fernandina and

Jacksonville. The Lieut is a gallant officer and very popular among his brother officers. Capt. Gillenwater is quite proud of his Lieuts., Marion B. Wilhoit, of Ky., and Lieut. Eulass, of Ohio. After Lieut. Eulass was mustered out on the 28th of Oct., '98, he went back to work in the office of the Co. Treasurer. Was appointed 2nd Lieut. 31st U. S. V. on July 15, '99.

2D LIEUT. WILFORD TWYMAN, Co. K, is from Louisville. Is the son of an eminent lawyer, Buford Twyman, and was born in Louisville, August 10th, 1875. His family are Kentuckians. Lieut. Twyman graduated from the city schools of Louisville and began his business career as clerk in the L. and N. R. R. five years ago. Was appointed 2d Lieut., Co. K, 1st Ky. Vols., commanded by Col. Castleman, who was one of Gen'l Jno. H. Morgan's most gallant raiders. It is my recollection that Lieut. Twyman commanded Co. K. 1st Ky. V. I., two months at Ponce Puerto Rico. He returned to Louisville Dec. 12th, 1898, and was mustered out Feb., 1899. Was appointed 2d Lieut., Co. K, 31st U. S. V. I.

1ST LIEUT. FRANK S. LOWRY, Co. I, has home in Athens, Ohio., (General Grosvenor's town). Lieut. Lowry was born in Athens on the 25th of November, 1869. Educated in the High Schools and at the Ohio University, taking an Electrical and Engineering course. Joined Co. B, 17th Regiment, Ohio National Guard, in 1892 as a private, and was promoted to Sergeant, 2d Lieut. and 1st Lieut. and then Capt. of Co. B, afterwards Co. B, 7th Ohio, and located at Camps Alger, Va., and Meade, Pa., and from the latter to Columbus, Ohio, November 6th, 1898. Received his appointment in the 31st as First Lieut. and joined the regiment at Fort Thomas.

POST-CHAPLAIN, Fort Thomas, Ky., Ruter W. Springer is the son of Hon. Wm. Springer, of Ills., twenty years in Congress, now Chief Justice of Indian Territory. Capt. Springer has a beautiful home at the Fort. He does not preach sectarianism. He was born in Springfield, Ill., on the 2d of May, 1863. He holds several diplomas. Graduated at Georgetown University, D. C., in 1889-90. Took a theological course at Lane Seminary, Cincinnati. Was appointed Chaplain with rank of Capt. in 1894. Left Fort Thomas in April, 1897, with the 7th U. S. Infantry. I think he left Port Tampa as chaplain with the 17th Infantry and went to Ouba, Lieut.-Col. Haskell commanding the regiment. Landed at Daiquiri, June 23, 1898, and was with the command at El Caney, acting as chaplain at the Second Div. Hospital and came back to the U. S. with the 17th Infantry and was at Montauk Point, having performed his duties to the soldiers faithfully.



LIEUT. CHAS. O. THOMAS, JR., 31st U. S. V. I., lives in the historic old town of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, 31 miles south of Nashville, on the Nashville and Chattanooga R. R., where Bragg and Breckinridge and Cleburne and Rosencrans and Thomas fought through the snowy cedars in the cold bleak winter of 1862.

Lieut. Thomas was born in Murfreesboro twenty-seven or eight years ago. His father, Capt. Chas. O. Thomas, Sr., now in business in Havana, was a Capt. in the 9th Michigan Vols., U. S. A., during the war of the rebellion. Capt. Thomas is the of the most influential citizens of that beautiful old town. He was captured by Gen. Forrest's command on the 13th of July, 1862. He was afterwards captivated and captured by Miss Reed Williams, a very pretty girl of Murfreesboro, the step-daughter of Col. E. L. Jordian, the wealthiest man in Rutherford county, said to be worth two millions of dollars, President of the 1st Nat. Bank of Murfreesboro, and the largest stockholder of the N. and C. R. R. Mr. Montford Jordan, son of E. Jordan, has been the efficient R. R. Agt., at Murfreesboro since the civil war. He owns the "Jordan House," a very handsome hotel, which was the old Ready Mansion, where Gen. John H. Morgan married Miss Mattie Ready in the winter of 1862. The "Jordan" is the most comfortable and best kept hotel in Middle Tennessee, managed by that elegant gentleman Mr. Matt Thornton, a well known hotel keeper. Lieut. Chas. O. Thomas, Jr., was educated at Union University at Murfreesboro. He left a fine position, which was paying him a handsome salary last year, to enter in the Spanish-American war, and commanded a company in the 8th Immunes, a colored regiment, and was encamped at Chickamauga for a while. His splendid executive ability and the way he managed his company gave him great prestige in the army. The Washington Post complimented him in the highest terms and more than all he received from the President of the U. S., the appointment of Lieut. in the 31st Vols., without application, for which regiment he recruited a good many soldiers.

Lieut. Thomas is one of the handsomest officers in the regiment. He has a fine open countenance and a very attractive face, and is not married. Murfreesboro is very proud of those two elegant young fellows, Charlie Thomas and Ensign Ridley McLain of the Navy, who graduated two or three years ago. If Ridley will fight as good in the Navy as he did at Annapolis he will be all right. At one time it took the influence of the whole Tennessee delegation in Congress to keep him in school after one of his "scraps," but he was backed with "influence" and came out all right. Was on the Oregon one time and recently examined for promotion. (Murfreesboro is the writer's old home.)

FIRST SERGEANT JAMES O. COOK, Co. H, 31st U. S. V. I., was reared in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He acted as Hospital Stewart, 3rd U. S. Engineers and was six months in Cuba. He came into service with the 12th N. Y., and was transferred to the Hospital Corps U. S. A. and sent to Macon, Ga. in General Hospital and put in detailed service with the 3rd U. S. Engineers, when they embarked for Cuba. When the 3rd Engineers was mustered out on the 17th day of May, 1899, at Fort McPherson, Atlanta Ga. Mr. Cook was sent to Presidio at San Francisco, where he was discharged. Came home and re-enlisted in the 31st.

CAPT. JAMES B. JACKSON, commanding Fort Thomas, Capt. Co G, Seventh U. S. Infantry; was born in Hopkinsville, Ky., June 15, 1852; graduated at West Point in class of 1877, and commissioned Second Lieut. in the Seventh U. S. I. Was stationed at Fort Shaw, Montana, Fort Snelling, Minn., Fort Laramie, Wyoming and then in the Indian Territory Crow Agency, and a number of other places. Was at Fort Logan, California, when the war was declared, Took part at El Caney where the Seventh lost more men than any other regiment. Co. G had eight men killed and thirteen wounded.

Capt. Jackson was wounded at El Caney, but rejoined his regiment on the 10th. Came back with his command to Montauk Point; afterward was sent to Fort Wayne and at Columbus Barracks up to June 7th, 1899. Since that time he has been in Command at Fort Thomas, Ky. His first Lieut, Lieut. Otwell, is at Plattsburg Barracks. Second Lieut. J. B. Allison, stationed at Columbus Barracks.

Capt. Jackson is the son of Brigadier General James S. Jackson, who was killed on the Union side at the battle of Perryville, Ky. The Capt. is a bachelor and lives in a pretty house. Fort Thomas is a beautiful place, the monotony of the country relieved by undulations and green hills. In fact, there is hardly a handsomer Fort in the U. S.

Capt. Jackson is a typical son of Ky.; is gracious, suave and elegant and entertains his visitors in a very charming manner.

CAPT. THOS. DOWNS, U. S. Qr. Master at Cincinnati, was born in Lawrenceburg, Ind., in 1845, on the 31st of March, and partly educated at Anderson, Ind. Enlisted in Co. —, 16th Ind., U. S. A., and helped to gather together the broken links of the Union.

Capt. James E. Macklin, of the 11th Infantry, now at San Juan, Puerto Rico, who has recently been promoted to Major, was a Lieut. in the same company with Capt. Downs and afterward became Capt.

Life is too short to forget your friends or neglect your ene-



mies. The Lord made Capt. Macklin and when he made him, he first selected the cleanest, purest, whitest clay—white as any fuller could make it—and when he had created him, he poured his veins full of the milk of human kindness. Before me comes a picture of the 11th U. S. Infantry. Sitting under the Pine trees, under the blue Alabama skies, at Mobile, at the beginning of American-Spanish hostilities, I sat in the Chair of State, the black leather-covered chair which General Miles sat in, when he received the surrender of the Sioux Indians and presented to Capt. Macklin by the General.

"Uncle Sam and his sister Sioux  
And the trouble they did brew."

One could never forget the sunny nature and happy ringing laugh of Capt. Macklin, "Capt., Gee Whiz." Some ladies from Miss. and Selma, Ala., came out to the 11th and Capt. Macklin treated them so nicely that they both went home and made him a cake and wrote him a letter.

Qr. Master Downs was a private soldier. Was in the battle of Richmond, Ky., and with Grant in the Vicksburg and the Red River campaigns. Was in the charge at Black River on May 22d, and at Mobile shortly after the surrender of that city. Was mustered out Nov. 10, 1865. His business is that of contractor and builder. Capt. Downs is one of the directors of the La Fayette Bank at Connersville, Ind. Was appointed Capt. and Qr. Master on the 16th July, 1898, and was stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. He took charge of Jefferson Barracks Aug. 8th, 1898, and of the Qr. Master Dpt. at Cincinnati August 8th, 1899. Was ordered to Alaska on June 10th, and went as far as San Francisco on the way and returned home and came to Cincinnati, where he is now located on 5th st., in the Qr. Master Dpt.

CAPT. JAMES GARRARD, Troop A, Ninth United States Cavalry, detailed on recruiting service, with headquarters on 5th St., Cincinnati, is an old army officer and a Kentuckian by birth. Was born in Clay county, Ky., (maybe that's where he gets his fighting qualities) on the 20th of Dec., 1851. Graduated at West Point in the class of 1877, and appointed Second Lieut in the Fourth Cavalry. Capt. Garrard has seen hard service on the frontier and is distinguished for valor in those far west campaigns. He was transferred to the Ninth Cavalry in 1886. Took part in the Sioux campaign in 1890-91 and was on recruiting service during the Cuban campaign.

Garrard county, Kentucky, took its name from Capt Garrard's family. There is lots of dry humor in him. Everybody knows the history of the 9th Cav.

\*  
E  
725.4  
31st  
.W4  
1900z



# THE QUEEN

# AND CRESCENT

Is the **ONLY** line from Cincinnati to  
Lexington.

---

The Queen and Crescent is the fastest Road in the South.

Sixty-one miles an hour is the speed of the Limited.

The Queen and Crescent goes so fast you can't see the wheels.

The track is laid with 75 lb. steel rails, and stone ballast. Electric Block Signals and Interlocking Apparatus at R. R. Crossings and Junctions insure safety. The Q. & C. comes through "God's Conntry" (Blue Grass of Ky.) and everything is lovely, and gives you the finest service in the South. W. C. Rinearson, the gallant Passenger Agent, is the handsomest man in Cincinnati.