

CHAPTER XVIII.

KEENE IN THE CIVIL WAR.

1861—1865.

On the 4th of April, 1861, Dr. Thomas E. Hatch was appointed postmaster at Keene under the administration of President Lincoln, vice Joshua D. Colony. Albert Godfrey was the choice of the citizens, as expressed by a vote of 189 to 62, but Dr. Hatch was appointed through the influence of his uncle, Hon. Thomas M. Edwards, member of congress. Personally Dr. Hatch was acceptable to the people, but his appointment in opposition to the choice of the citizens caused much ill feeling.

During the early months of 1861, alarming reports of the acts of the disunionists were daily received. One after another the Southern states passed the "Ordinance of Secession," and a Southern confederacy was formed. Officers of the army and navy were throwing off their allegiance and espousing the cause of the South. Armed forces were organizing and drilling throughout the Southern states. A majority of the cabinet of President Buchanan was secessionist, and arms, forts, arsenals and other war material, besides public funds and other property belonging to the government, were seized, to be used in active rebellion. The forts in the harbor at Charleston, S. C., held by a small force of United States troops, were demanded and threatened with forcible capture if the demand was refused. The life of the president-elect was known to be in peril, but the designs of the assassins were frustrated and Mr. Lincoln reached Washington and was inaugurated on the 4th of March.

On the 12th of April, 1861, Fort Sumpter was attacked by the secessionists, and after a gallant defence was surrendered with the honors of war. The telegraph flashed the tidings to every part of the Union and the most intense excitement was aroused. Public meetings were hastily

called in every place of importance throughout the North to give expression to public sentiment. The city of Washington and the archives of the government were in imminent danger of capture by the rebel forces. On the 15th, President Lincoln issued his proclamation calling for 75,000 militia, for three months, for the defence of the government, and convening both houses of congress in extra session. On the 16th, Governor Gilmore issued his call for a regiment of volunteers from New Hampshire, in compliance with the request of the president, and Keene was made one of the recruiting stations.

On the afternoon of Friday, the 19th, handbills signed by leading men of both parties were circulated in Keene and the adjacent towns calling on the people of Cheshire county to assemble at Keene on Monday, the 22d, to take action on the national crisis. That mass meeting was held in Central square at 1 o'clock on the day named. Hon. Levi Chamberlain—one of the three commissioners from New Hampshire, recently returned from the "Peace Congress" at Washington—called the meeting to order, and Ex-Governor Samuel Dinsmoor, a Democrat, was chosen president, with seven leading men of the county, three of whom were also Democrats, vice presidents. Governor Dinsmoor took the chair and made a short patriotic speech in which he said: "Amid the general gloom which pervades the community there is yet one cause for congratulation—that we at least see a united North." General James Wilson was at home from California on a visit and Governor Dinsmoor introduced him to the multitude. Both gentlemen wore rosettes of the national colors, and each as he came forward was received with enthusiastic applause. Gen. Wilson made one of his old-time rousing speeches. He was intensely patriotic, and though too far advanced in years and too feeble to take the field himself, his eloquence roused the patriotism of the younger men. He was followed by others, several of whom offered their services on the spot. Col. Tileston A. Barker, of Westmoreland, a Democrat, offered to lead a company to the front; and such a company was immediately organized, with full ranks—named the Cheshire Light Guards—and

was ready to march within three days. Hon. Levi Chamberlain presented a paper already signed by twenty-three citizens, pledging \$100 each to aid the families of those who would volunteer in case the town did not make an appropriation for that purpose, and the list was rapidly increased.

The same evening a meeting of the citizens of Keene was held in the town hall to encourage enlistments and to take further action towards aiding the families of volunteers, followed the next evening by another meeting for the same purpose. During this second meeting Lieut. Henry C. Handerson, who had been appointed recruiting officer at Keene, marched into the hall with a company of recruits; and they were received with rousing cheers. That company, sixty-seven strong, left for Concord on Thursday, the 25th, and was assigned to the First regiment, New Hampshire Volunteers, organized at Concord. The route then was by cars via Fitchburg, Groton Junction and Nashua, and a crowd of people assembled at the station to bid them Godspeed. Rev. Dr. Barstow offered a prayer, and an agent of the New Hampshire Bible Society gave each volunteer a testament.

The excitement continued through the summer and fall, and frequent meetings were held, several of them being mass meetings on the Square. The same enthusiasm prevailed throughout the North. Legislatures were called together and regiments of volunteers were rapidly organized in all the states. Troops from Massachusetts, New York and other states were promptly on the ground to defend the capital and other points. The number of troops called for by President Lincoln had volunteered within ten days, and the quotas of the states were more than filled. During that season of 1861, besides a battalion of cavalry, a light battery of six rifled brass pieces—155 men—and three companies of sharpshooters, New Hampshire organized and put into the field seven regiments of infantry; and the eighth left the state in the winter following—in all nearly 9,000 men.

On the 6th of May, Capt. Barker's company of seventy-nine men and a third company of recruits of sixty-two

men left Keene for Portsmouth amid the cheers of a large concourse of people. Thus far all had enlisted for three months only, under the first call of the president, but these two companies, and others from other places, were accepted by the governor and sent to Portsmouth with the expectation that more troops would be needed; and the call soon came for another regiment from New Hampshire, to serve for three years or the war. Those who had enlisted for three months were given the first opportunity to serve in the longer term, and about one-half of the 1,000 volunteers then present at Portsmouth immediately reënlisted for three years or the war. They were assigned to the Second regiment and given a short furlough to prepare for their long absence. A large proportion of Capt. Barker's men reënlisted, and the company came home in a body.

There were no funds in the state treasury to meet these extraordinary expenditures, but the banks, the citizens and Gov. Goodwin himself became responsible for the money borrowed for the emergency. Two banks in Concord offered a loan of \$50,000, and the three banks in Keene offered \$10,000 each; and a little later, citizens of Keene subscribed for \$25,450 of the loan of \$150,000,000 negotiated by the government. Tuesday evening, May 28, a large meeting was held at the town hall to take further measures for providing for the families of volunteers. The sum of \$5,000 had been subscribed on the paper already mentioned, but it was desired to secure appropriations from the town and legislation by the state for that purpose.

The women immediately began work in aid of the soldiers, furnishing underclothing, bandages, lint, and everything that might be needed by troops in the field or in the hospitals. The women of Keene held their first meeting for that purpose on the 6th of May at the house of Rev. E. A. Renouf. It was then decided to hold a meeting the next day at the town hall, and a large attendance was secured. At first packages were forwarded to Concord, where a state organization called the Soldiers' Aid Society had already been formed. Early in June the Cheshire County Soldiers' Aid Society, a branch of the state

society, was organized in Keene, and the women of Keene, who were its officers and managers, acted under that organization. Correspondence and coöperation were established with societies in each town in the county, and their packages were sent to Keene, and later all the contributions were forwarded direct from Keene to the agency of the National Sanitary Commission. Nearly every woman in Cheshire county was a member of the Soldiers' Aid Society. There was also a Juvenile Soldiers' Aid Society in Keene. This county organization continued with unabated zeal all through the war, held weekly meetings, received and forwarded large amounts in contributions—from the town societies and from individuals, churches and other organizations—and accomplished a vast amount of excellent work in aid of the sanitary and Christian commissions. It had for presidents, Mrs. Thomas M. Edwards, Mrs. Thomas B. Kittredge, Mrs. Samuel Dinsmoor and Mrs. Thomas H. Leverett; for treasurers, Miss Loretta Boies, Miss Margaret R. Lamson and Miss Katherine Wheeler; for secretaries, Miss Susanna Thompson, Miss Katherine F. Wheeler and Mrs. Mary D. Smith; with Miss Mary W. Hale, corresponding secretary in the earlier part of the war. It was under the supervision of a board of eleven directors—of which the officers were members—selected from the several religious societies in town, and an assistant committee of men consisting of Hon. Samuel Dinsmoor, William P. Abbott, Caleb Carpenter, Sumner Wheeler and William P. Wheeler. At the close of the war, in 1865, the funds remaining in its treasury were used to aid the families of those soldiers who had lost their lives in the war. The organization was continued until 1871, when it did its last work to aid the sufferers by the great fire in Chicago. During the last two years of the war there was a Cheshire County Christian Commission, a branch of the national, with headquarters at Keene; and there was a Union League Club in Keene which held regular meetings every week.

The New Hampshire legislature assembled on the 5th of June. Hon. Levi Chamberlain of Keene presented a series of resolutions pledging the resources of the state "for

the integrity of the Union," and declaring, "That the duty of the General Government to suppress all attempts to dissolve the Union, is imperative, and cannot be evaded," which passed without a dissenting vote.¹ On the 24th a bill passed the house—169 to 94—and became a law, appropriating \$1,000,000 and placing it in the hands of the governor and council to be used for fitting out troops and sending them into the field, and the immediate organization of three regiments was authorized.

FIRST REGIMENT.

The First regiment of New Hampshire Volunteers was organized by the appointment of Hon. Mason W. Tappan of Bradford, ex-member of congress, colonel; Thomas Whipple, Esq. of Laconia, a veteran of the Mexican war, lieutenant colonel; and Aaron F. Stevens, Esq., of Nashua, major. Rev. Stephen G. Abbott of Bradford, after the war a citizen of Keene, was appointed chaplain. The volunteers from Keene were all in Company G, of which Horace T. H. Pierce was first lieutenant. Leaving Concord on the 27th of May, by the Worcester and Norwich route, the regiment reached New York on Sunday morning, where it was given a hearty reception, and proceeded thence through Baltimore to Washington. It was generously and even lavishly furnished with impedimenta by the state—provided with a military band of twenty-five enlisted musicians; sixteen four-horse baggage wagons, all new, with selected horses and harnesses made specially for military service, each company having one wagon to carry its ponderous cooking range and other baggage. A New York paper in giving an account of the passage of this regiment through the city said: "Accompanying the troops were one hundred and sixteen horses, sixteen baggage wagons, containing tents and provisions for thirty days, and one hospital wagon. There were also in attendance sixteen

¹ Although large numbers of Democrats rallied loyally to the support of the government, the Democratic party was not unanimous in adopting a patriotic course, as is shown by the vote above stated. The New York Herald, Boston Courier, New Hampshire Patriot, Cheshire Republican, and other Democratic papers and some of the leading men of that party, were in active opposition to the administration, and soon became bitter and virulent. At first those leaders were followed by a small minority of their party, but with the inevitable opportunities for complaint of the management of those momentous public affairs their numbers increased until they formed a majority of the Democrats in the country.

nurses, who took dinner at the Astor House." On its arrival in Washington it was reviewed by President Lincoln, who complimented it as the best appointed regiment that had yet appeared at the capital. Its uniform, however, furnished by the state, was of grey satin of poor quality. After encamping for a few days near Washington the regiment joined the forces under Col. Charles P. Stone of the regular army, marched to Rockville, Md., and thence to Poolsville and was employed in guarding the crossings of the Potomac river. On the 7th of July, 1861, it marched via Sharpsburg to Williamsport, forded the river into Virginia, and joined Gen. Patterson's division. After a movement towards Winchester and a retreat to Charlestown, the division marched to Harper's Ferry, and the First New Hampshire recrossed the river and encamped at Sandy Hook. On the 2d of August its term expired, and the regiment returned to New Hampshire and was mustered out of service. Many of its officers and men afterwards joined other organizations and did good service in the war.

The names of the men from Keene are given below, with a brief record of their service. All were members of Company G. It is to be understood that they were privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated.¹

Austin, Charles F. Age 21; enl. April 21; must. out Aug. 9. See Second N. H. V.

Bradford, Alonzo B. Age 21; enl. June 12; must. out Aug. 9. (Alonzo S. Brentford of Ayling's Register is doubtless the same person.)

Colburn, Eleazer. Age 21; enl. April 21; must. out Aug. 9. See Ninth N. H. V.

Cross, Charles R. Age 23; enl. April 19; must. out Aug. 9. See miscel. org.

Dinonie, Octave. Age 22; enl. April 23; must. out Aug. 9.

Drummer, Charles H. Age 22; enl. April 19; app. 2d lieut. April 30; must. out Aug. 9. See Fourth N. H. V. and U. S. navy.

¹The abbreviations used in the tabular records are as follows:

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| Adjt.....adjutant. | Dept.....department. | Musc.....musician. |
| Aft.....after. | Dis.....disease. | Must.....mustered. |
| App.....appointed. | Disab.....disability. | Non-com.....non-commis'nd. |
| Art.....artillery. | Disch.....discharged. | Org.....organizations. |
| B. (b.).....born. | Enl.....enlisted. | Priv.....private. |
| Bvt.....brevet. | Exp.....expired. | Prom.....promoted. |
| Capt.....captain. | Exch.....exchanged. | Q. M.....quartermaster. |
| Captd.....captured. | H.....heavy. | Reenl.....reenlisted. |
| Cav.....cavalry. | Hosp.....hospital. | Res.....residence. |
| Co.....company. | I. C.....Invalid corps. | Sergt.....sergeant. |
| Col.....colonel. | Inf.....infantry. | Sev.....severely. |
| Com.....commissary. | L.....light. | Surg.....surgeon. |
| Com.....commission. | Lt. and lieut.....lieutenant. | Transf.....transferred. |
| Com'd.....commissioned. | Maj.....major. | V.R.C.Vet. Reserve corps. |
| Corp.....corporal. | Miss.....missing. | Wd.....wounded. |
| Cred.....credited to. | Miscel.....miscellaneous. | Wds.....wounds. |

- Farwell, Artemas. Age 25; enl. April 22; app. sergt. July 12; must. out Aug. 9.
- Gorman, Michael. Age 25; enl. April 19; must. out Aug. 9. See Fourteenth N. H. V.
- Joslin, Horace. Age 25; enl. April 24; app. corp. July 12; must. out Aug. 9. See Third N. H. V.
- Marsh, George W. Age 26; enl. April 19; must. out Aug. 9. See Sixth N. H. V.
- Pierce, Horace T. H. Age 37; enl. April 22; app. 1st lieut. April 30; must. out Aug. 9. See Fifth N. H. V.
- Quinn, Samuel S. Age 21; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; enl. April 21; app. sergt. May 1; must. out Aug. 9. See Fifth N. H. V.
- Ruffle, Josiah. Age 19; enl. April 24; deserted. See Second N. H. V.
- Ruffle, Samuel H. Age 32; enl. April 24; must. out Aug. 9. See Second N. H. V.
- Rines, George W. Age 23; enl. April 22; must. out Aug. 9. See miscel. org.
- Ross, Washington B. Age 20; enl. April 24; must. out Aug. 9.
- Russell, Alonzo B. Age 24; enl. April 22; must. out Aug. 9.
- Russell, George F. Age 27; enl. April 19; must. out Aug. 9.
- Slyfield, Andrew. Age 23; enl. April 23; must. out Aug. 9.
- Stay, Charles. Age 21; res. Alstead, after the war, Keene; enl. April 22; must. out Aug. 9.
- Steck, Friedrich. Age 29; enl. April 23; must. out Aug. 9. See Fourteenth N. H. V.
- Streeter, Charles H. Age 18; enl. April 20; must. out Aug. 9. See Second N. H. V.; res. Troy, after the war, Keene.
- Towns, Charles E. Age 22; enl. April 22; must. out Aug. 9. See Ninth N. H. V.
- Waite, John H. Age 21; enl. April 22; must. out Aug. 9. See Fifth N. H. V.

SECOND REGIMENT.

The Second regiment was organized at Portsmouth early in May—first for three months' service, with Thomas P. Pierce of Manchester, a veteran of the Mexican war, colonel. But the government declined to take any more volunteers for the short term and the regiment was immediately reorganized with Gilman Marston, of Exeter, then member of congress from the first New Hampshire district, colonel, Frank S. Fiske, of Keene, lieutenant colonel, and Josiah Stevens, Jr., of Concord, major. Rev. Henry E. Parker, of Concord, a native of Keene, was appointed chaplain. Capt. Barker's company, from Cheshire county, was given the first place (Company A.) with Henry N. Metcalf, of Keene, first lieutenant, and Herbert B. Titus, of Chesterfield, second lieutenant. Company B was from Concord, with S. G. Griffin, of that city—formerly of Nelson; after the war, of Keene—captain. The uniform of

this regiment, as well as that of the First, was of grey satin, but it soon gave place to the United States army blue. The Second was mustered into the United States service early in June, 1861, and on the 20th of that month, with 1,022 officers and men, left Portsmouth for Washington, via Boston and New York. Governor Berry and his staff, ex-Governor Goodwin and many leading men of the state accompanied the regiment to Boston, where it was received with enthusiastic demonstrations. Immense crowds of people thronged the streets. An organization of fourteen hundred Sons of New Hampshire, accompanied by Governor Andrew and his staff and many prominent citizens, with military bands, escorted the regiment and its guests to the Music Hall, where a banquet had been prepared. At the close of the banquet, Hon. Marshall P. Wilder, a native of Rindge, president of the Sons of New Hampshire, made a short, patriotic address, and Governor Andrew reviewed the regiment on the common. Proceeding by railroad via Fall River and the steamer Bay State, it reached New York the next morning and received a similar ovation. And this was the manner in which all the earlier regiments were received in the northern cities as they proceeded to the front. From New York the Second was sent by the way of Harrisburg, passing through Baltimore, and reaching Washington on the 23d and encamping about one mile north of the White House.

The Second was brigaded under Col. A. E. Burnside, with the First and Second Rhode Island Volunteers, the Rhode Island volunteer battery and the Seventy-first New York Volunteers, and at the first battle of Bull Run was sharply engaged, losing nine men killed, thirty-five wounded—four of them mortally—and sixty-three taken prisoners. Col. Marston was among the wounded, and Lt. Col. Fiske succeeded to the command of the regiment. After that battle the Second was assigned to the brigade of Gen. Joseph Hooker and encamped at Bladensburg, Md. In October, Hooker's command was increased to a division and moved down the left bank of the Potomac to prevent a blockade of that river, and went into winter quarters at Budd's Ferry.

Early in April, 1862, Hooker's division joined the Army of the Potomac at Fortress Monroe, and was present at the siege of Yorktown. At the battle of Williamsburg the regiment lost sixteen killed, sixty-six wounded and twenty-three missing. Among the killed were Edward N. Taft and Nathaniel Lane of Keene. The Second shared in McClellan's campaign on the peninsula, with its "seven days' fight," and the depressing effects of those disasters. Returning with the army to Alexandria in August, the Second was engaged in the second battle of Bull Run and suffered heavy loss—thirty-eight killed and mortally wounded, and more than 100 wounded and missing, or about forty per cent of its whole number engaged. During that autumn, while the main army was on its Maryland campaign, the Second was attached to Sickles's division of Banks's command, which held the defences of Washington, and was encamped on the Virginia side of the Potomac. In November, Sickles's division rejoined the Army of the Potomac, then under Burnside, and the regiment was present at the battle of Fredericksburg, Dec 13, but was not actively engaged. Towards the last of February, 1863, it was ordered home "to recruit" (just before election) and was received with demonstrations similar to those made when it left the state. The men were furloughed, and they visited their families. The Seventeenth regiment was then organizing at Concord, and the government, not desiring another regiment from New Hampshire at that time, ordered the consolidation of the Seventeenth with the Second.

On the 25th of May, 1863, the Second again started for the front, with replenished ranks and with the regimental band of the Seventeenth, also transferred. Col. Marston had been promoted to brigadier general, and Capt. Edward L. Bailey, who had been raised to major and lieutenant colonel, was advanced to colonel. The regiment rejoined the Army of the Potomac at Rappahannock Station on the 13th of June, in time to take part in the retreat into Maryland, and was assigned to the Third brigade of Humphrey's division, Sickles's Third army corps. That corps reached Emmettsburg, Pa., on the 1st of July,

while the First and Eleventh corps were holding the enemy in check at Gettysburg, twelve miles distant. Gen. Sickles moved forward with a part of his corps that afternoon. The remainder, with which was the Second New Hampshire, started for the battlefield at 3 o'clock on the morning of the 2d, without waiting for coffee, but halted on the road to make it, and joined the advance column at 9 o'clock. There was quiet for about three hours, and the tired troops rested. Lee, under cover of woods along the Emmettsburg road, was massing a heavy column against the Union left, now held by Sickles's corps. After some changes of position the Second was placed in Sherfey's famous peach orchard, supporting Ames's battery, an exposed position where it did gallant service and lost heavily in killed and wounded. The *Compte de Paris*, in his "*Histoire de la Guerre Civile en Amerique*," characterizes the fight in that peach orchard as "murderous." Out of 354 officers and men of the Second who went into the battle the loss officially reported was 193, or more than one-half. Three commissioned officers were killed, eighteen wounded—four mortally—and but three out of twenty-four escaped unhurt. Seventeen enlisted men were killed, 119 wounded and thirty-six missing. Of the men from Keene, Capt. Henry N. Metcalf, and Private William H. Spring were killed; Sergeants Samuel F. Holbrook and Albert R. Walker, and Privates John A. Blake, Cornelius Cleary and Benjamin F. Ruffle were wounded—Blake, Cleary and Walker severely—and William C. Drummer was missing, probably killed, as there is no further record of him. The regiment was not actually engaged on the 3d and last day of the battle and suffered no loss.

After the battle the Second marched with the army in pursuit, via Frederic, Antietam battlefield and Harper's Ferry to Warrenton, and thence to Washington; and spent the winter at Point Lookout, Md., with the Fifth and Twelfth New Hampshire Volunteers, guarding a camp of prisoners. Gen. Marston was in command of the camp. Early in April, 1864, the Second and Twelfth regiments, having been recruited from the drafted men and substitutes sent from New Hampshire, joined the Army of the James,

were assigned to Weitzel's division of Smith's Eighteenth corps, and encamped at Bermuda Hundreds. Towards the last of May that corps was transferred to the Army of the Potomac, joined Gen. Grant at Cold Harbor and took part in the battle of the 3d of June, suffering heavy loss. The three years' term of the original members expired on the 8th, and twenty-eight commissioned officers—including all the field and staff except Adjutant John D. Cooper—and 199 enlisted men returned to New Hampshire and were mustered out. Sixty-six of the original members and thirty-two of the early recruits had reënlisted for three years or the war, and those, with the later recruits, drafted men and substitutes, with four commissioned officers, now composed the regiment of about 250 men. Of those only thirteen were from Keene.

Capt. J. N. Patterson was promoted to lieutenant colonel and took command of the regiment, with Adjutant Cooper promoted to major. The Second remained with the army during the siege of Petersburg, most of the time engaged in guard and provost duty. At the final breaking of the lines and capture of Petersburg and Richmond, April 2, 1865, it was on the north side of the James and was not actively engaged, but was among the first to enter Richmond, without opposition; and it encamped for about three months near the city. On the 21st of June, the Tenth, Twelfth and Thirteenth New Hampshire Volunteers were mustered out of service, and the men of those regiments whose terms had not expired were transferred to the Second, raising its numbers to about 900 men. The regiment was retained through the summer for guard and provost duty in eastern Virginia, and early in December was sent to City Point and mustered out of service. Upon arriving at Concord it received, as did all the regiments returning to New Hampshire, a hearty and generous reception.

Below are given the names and brief records of the men from Keene. It is to be understood that they are privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated.

Alexander, Lucian A. Band; age 28; enl. July 22, '61; must. Aug. 7, '61, as first class musc.; disch. April 1, '62.

Atherton, Sanford A. Co. A; age 22; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. as corp.; app. sergt.; disch. disab. Sept. 12, '62.

- Atwood, Rufus. Co. A; aged 31; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. as corp.; app. sergt.; died, disease, at Keene, Jan. 23, '64.
- Austin, Charles F. Co. A; aged 21; enl. Sept. 12, '61; wd. June 9, '64, at Cold Harbor; disch. Sept. 14, '64. See First N. H. Vols.
- Beliveau, Frank A. Band; age 23; enl. Sept. 4, '61; must. as second class musc.; disch. Aug. 8, '62, near Harrison's Landing, Va.
- Blake, Charles H. Co. A; age 30; enl. May 22, '61; disch. disab. Nov. 17, '62.
- Blake, John A. Co. A; age 20; res. Gilsum (b., and ret. to live in Keene); enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; capt'd. June 30, '62, at White Oak Swamp, Va.; wd. severely July 2, '63, Gettysburg; disch. disab. June 7, '64.
- Bolster, Almon. Band; age 34; enl. July 22, '61; must. Aug. 7, '61, as leader; reduced to first class, then to third class musc.; disch., services not needed, Jan. 20, '62.
- Bowen, Frederick A. Band; age 26; enl. July 22, '61, as second class musc.; must. out, Aug. 8, '62, near Harrison's Landing, Va.
- Bridge, Stary W. Co. I; age 21; b. Keene; res. Gilsum; enl. Sept. 5, '61; disch. Sept. 14, '64, term exp.
- Califf, Jonathan. Co. A; age 44; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; wd. accidentally by sentinel; died of wds. Aug. 14, '61, Washington, D. C.
- Califf, William W. Co. A; age 18; enl. April 30, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61; disch. disab. Jan. 27, '63.
- Capron, J. Foster. Co. A; age 24; b. Keene; res. Troy; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; disch. disab. Oct. 22, '61, Washington, D. C.
- Carroll, Philip S. Co. H; age 23; enl. Sept. 3, '61; disch. disab. May 16, '63.
- Clark, Milton W. Co. A; age 41; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. as sergt., May 31, '61; disch. disab. May 31, '63.
- Cleary, Cornelius. Co. H; age 35; enl. Aug. 27, '61; wd. sev. July 2, '63, at Gettysburg; died of wds. Aug. 1, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Cobb, Fred W. Co. A; age 23; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. as 1st sergt.; app. 2d lieut. Sept. 1, '61; prom. 1st lieut. July 1, '62; resign. Aug. 31, '62.
- Converse, Granville S. Co. I; age 18; enl. April 28, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 21, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. out June 21, '64.
- Craig, Allen A. Co. A; b. Canada; cred. Keene; age 41; enl. Aug. 16, '62; disch. disab. May 30, '63. See Fourteenth N. H. V.
- Darling, John G. Co. A; age 21; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; wd. May 5, '62, Williamsburg, Va.; disch. wds. July 25, '62; died Keene, 1864.
- Davis, James. Co. A; age 19; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; died, disease, Jan. 9, '63, Philadelphia.
- Davis, Nathaniel D. Co. A; b. Keene; res. Winchester; age 29; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; disch. disab. Feb. 4, '63; died June 4, '63, Winchester.
- Drummer, John A. Co. A; age 20; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; died, disease, Dec. 9, '61, in Maryland.
- Drummer, William C. Co. F; age 17; enl. Sept. 6, '61; wd. and miss. July 2, '63, Gettysburg; no further record.

- Dunlap, Whitney. Co. K; age 31; enl. Aug. 31, '61; disch. disab. July 9, '63. See V. R. C.
- Eastman, William. Co. H; age 43; enl. Sept. 12, '61; disch. disab. Sept. 20, '62; after service in V. R. C.
- Eaton, Orleans S. Co. A; age 28; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; disch. disab. April 27, '63.
- Ellis, David C. Co. H; b. Richmond; age 33; res. Keene; enl. Sept. 14, '61; desert. Feb. 1, '63; returned June 15, '64; disch. April 4, '65, at Richmond, Va.
- Emerson, Albert A. Co. H; b. Keene; age 23; res. Somersworth; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 27, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. as sergt.; disch. disab. Aug. 1, '61.
- Fiske, Frank S. Field and staff; age 35; app. lt. col. April 30, '61; must. in June 10, '61; resign. Oct. 23, '62; bvt. col. and brig. gen. U. S. V., to date March 13, '65, for gallant and meritorious service.
- Gilbert, Charles N. Co. H; age 29; enl. Sept. 14, '61; disch. disab. March 15, '62.
- Gleason, Aaron R. Co. F; res. Gilsum, after the war, Keene; age 27; enl. Sept. 9, '61; transf. to Co. 101, 2d battal. I. C., Jan. 5, '64; prom. to act. asst. surg. U. S. A.; app. asst. surg. Fourteenth N. H. Vols., May 11, '64; declined appt.; served by contract as act. asst. surg. U. S. A. (civil appt.) from May 18, '64, to July 22, '65.
- Gregory, William H. Co. A; age 39; enl. Sept. 2, '61; disch. disab. Sept. 25, '61.
- Griffin, Simon G. Co. B; age 37; volunteered as private in April '61; recruiting officer, May '61; app. capt. June 4, '61, must. to date June 1, '61; resigned to accept promotion. See Sixth N. H. V. and miscel. org.
- Hadley, Ethan. Band; age 33; enl. July 22, '61; must. as first class musc.; must. out second class musc. Aug. 8, '62, near Harrison's Landing, Va.
- Heaton, George S. Co. A; age 20; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; captd. July 21, '61, first Bull Run, Va.; paroled Jan. 17, '62; disch. disab. Aug. 15, '62. See V. R. C.
- Hodgkins, William H. Co. A; age 28; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; died, dis. July 21, '62, Harrison's Landing, Va.
- Holbrook, Samuel F. Co. A; age 21; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; app. corp. Jan. 1, '63; wd. July 2, '63, Gettysburg; app. sergt. July 2, '63; reenl. Jan. 1, '64, as private, cred. to Walpole; app. lieut. June 24, '64; app. capt. Co. G, April 1, '65; must. out Dec. 19, '65.
- Holden, Jonathan M. Co. A; age 25; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; disch. disab. Aug. 19, '61, Washington, D. C.
- Holton, Henry. Co. A; age 27; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. May 31, '61, as musc.; died, dis. March 19, '63, at Keene.
- Howe, Lucius T. Co. A; age 22; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; app. corp.; disch. disab. May 31, '62, White Oak Swamp, Va.
- Hurd, Warren H. Co. A; age 18; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; captd. June 30, '62, White Oak Swamp, Va.; exchanged; app. corp. Jan. 1, '63; disch. Dec. 22, '63, to accept promotion; afterwards lieut. and capt. U. S. colored troops.

- Jackson, George A. Co. C; b. Keene; res. Windham; age 21; enl. for 9 mos.; transf. from Seventeenth N. H. April 16, '63; must. out Oct. 9, '63.
- Johnson, Henry H. Co. A; age 22; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; app. corp. May 31, '61; disch. disab. July 29, '61, at Washington, D. C.
- Lane, Nathaniel F. Co. A; age 22; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; killed May 5, '62, at Williamsburg, Va.
- Lanphere, Orlando M. Co. A; age 20; enl. Aug. 19, '61; disch. Aug. 24, '64, at Concord.
- Marsh, Henry H. Co. A; age 20; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. out June 21, '64.
- Metcalf, Henry N. Co. A; age 28; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. in as 1st lt.; transf. to Co. F. Nov. 1, '61; app. capt. Aug. 13, '62; killed, July 2, '63, Gettysburg.
- Nash, Frank. Co. A; age 19; enl. April 29, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; disch. disab. Feb. 7, '63, Falmouth, Va.
- Noyes, Samuel L. Band; age 24; enl. July 25, '61; must. as third class musc.; must. out Aug. 8, '62, near Harrison's Landing, Va.
- O'Brien, Cornelius. Co. A; age 16; enl. Aug. 28, '61; disch. Aug. 24, '64, near Petersburg, Va., term exp.
- Parker, Henry E. Field and staff; b. in Keene; res. Concord; age 40; app. chaplain, June 10, '61; disch. Aug. 5, '62.
- Parker, William H. Co. H; age 16; enl. June 19, '61; must. as musc.; disch. Aug. 28, '61, Bladensburg, Md. See Fourteenth N. H. Vols. and miscel. org.
- Phelps, George W. Co. E; enl. Sept. 4, '61; app. corp. Nov. 1, '61; wd. Aug. 29, '62, second Bull Run; disch. disab. June 4, '63, at Concord.
- Pratt, Edwin P. Band; age 21; enl. July 22, '61; must. as third class musc.; must. out Aug. 8, '62, near Harrison's Landing, Va. See First N. H. Cav.
- Preckle, William H. Co. A; age 21; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; wd. sev. Aug. 29, '62, at second Bull Run; disch. wds. Feb. 3, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Pressler, Christian. Co. A; age 30; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; app. sergt. May 31, '61; app. 1st sergt. July 1, '62; disch. disab. Dec. 13, '62, Washington, D. C. See V. R. C.
- Rahn, William J. Co. I; age 33; enl. May 9, '61; app. commis. sergt. June 8, '62; must. out June 21, '64.
- Richardson, James F. Co. G; age 19; b. Keene; res. Nelson; enl. Aug. 23, '61; disch. Aug. 23, '64, near Petersburg, Va.; term exp.
- Richardson, Samuel C. Co. K; age 36; enl. Aug. 31, '61; disch. disab. Oct. 26, '62, Washington, D. C. Formerly in state service.
- Ruffle, Benjamin F. Co. A; age 23; enl. April 26, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; wd. July 2, '63, Gettysburg; reenl. Feb. 19, '64; app. sergt. July 1, '64; must. out Dec. 19, '65.
- Ruffle, Charles. Co. H; age 32; enl. Sept. 3, '61; reenl. Feb. 19, '64; app. corp. July 1, '64; must. out Dec. 19, '65.
- Ruffle, George. Co. A; age 29; b. Keene; res. Stoddard; enl. Aug. 8, '61; wd. Aug. 29, '62, second Bull Run; disch. disab. May 30, '63, Concord.
- Ruffle, Josiah. Co. A; age 19; enl. Aug. 9, '61; transf. to Co. K, Fourth U. S. Art. Nov. 1, '62; reenl. Feb. 11, '64; disch. Feb. 11, '67, Fort Delaware, term exp. See First N. H. Vols.

- Ruffle, Samuel. Co. H; age 32; enl. Jan. 22, '62; died, dis. Aug. 15, '62, David's Island, N. Y. harbor. See First N. H. Vols.
- Salter, Antoine. Co. H; age 23; enl. Sept. 5, '61; capt'd. June 30, '62, White Oak Swamp, Va.; died, dis. Aug. 7, '62, near Richmond, Va.
- Sherwin, Horace E. Co. A; age 20; enl. May 6, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. out June 21, '64.
- Southworth, Orlin R. Co. A; age 22; enl. Aug. 19, '61; disch. Aug. 24, '64, near Petersburg, Va., term exp.
- Spaulding, Milan D. Co. C; age 19; res. Sullivan; enl. Sept. 10, '61; app. sergt.; reenl. Jan. 1, '64, cred. Keene; app. 1st sergt. July 1, '64, app. 1st lieut. Nov. 4, '64; disch. May 11, '65.
- Spring, Joseph W. Band; age 29; enl. July 22, '61, as first class musc.; must. out Aug. 8, '62, Harrison's Landing, Va.
- Spring, William H. Co. A; age 19; enl. April 30, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; killed July 2, '63, Gettysburg.
- Stevens, Edward R. Co. K; age 31; res. Concord; cred. Keene; enl. Dec. 3, '63; wd. June 1, '64, Cold Harbor; disch. disab. June 10, '65.
- Streeter, Charles H. Co. C; age 18; res. Troy, after the war, Keene; enl. Sept. 5, '61; app. corp.; reenl. Jan. 1, '64; app. sergt. July 1, '64; 1st sergt. Nov. 30, '64; sergt. major, March 17, '65; 1st. lieut. Co. A, May 1, '65; disch. Aug. 16, '65. See First N. H. Vols.
- Sumner, Aaron B. Co. A; age 25; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; app. corp.; app. sergt. Jan. 10, '64; must. out June 21, '64.
- Sumner, Alonzo D. Co. C; age 18; enl. Sept. 3, '61; disch. disab. June 9, '63, Concord. See V. R. C.
- Sumner, David. Co. C; age 44; enl. Sept. 7, '61; disch. disab. June 11, '62, Washington, D. C. See Fourteenth N. H. V.
- Taft, Edward N. Co. A; age 27; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; killed May 5, '62, Williamsburg, Va.
- Tallant, Charles H. Band; age 19; enl. July 22, '61, as third class musc.; disch. March 24, '62. Supposed identical with Charles H. Tallant, U. S. navy.
- Thatcher, Lucius. Co. A; age 21; enl. Sept. 4, '61; disch. disab. Oct. 17, '62.
- Thompson, Henry A. Co. H; age 40; enl. Sept. 2, '61; disch. disab. June 9, '63, Concord. See V. R. C.
- Thorning, William H. Co. A; age 21; res. Winchester, after the war, Keene; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; disch. May 30, '64, New York city, term exp.
- Thurston, James. Co. C; age 18; b. Keene; res. Stoddard; enl. Sept. 9, '61; deserted.
- Tottingham, Charles N. Band; age 34; enl. July 22, '61; must. as first class musc.; app. leader Sept. 1, '61; must. out Aug. 8, '62, near Harrison's Landing, Va. See Second Brig. band, in which he enl. Jan. 20, '63, as first class musc.; disch. disab. Nov. 17, '63.
- Turner, Gardner W. Co. A; age 25; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61 for 3 yrs.; killed Aug. 29, '62, second Bull Run.
- Walker, Albert R. Co. A; age 25; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; app. corp. Aug. 1, '61; sergt. June 1, '63; wd. sev. July 2, '63, Gettysburg; transf. to V. R. C. April 23, '64; disch. June 7, '64, Washington, D. C., term exp.
- Warner, John S. Co. A; age 24; enl. Sept. 4, '61; res. Marlow, after the war, Keene; wd. May 5, '62, Williamsburg, Va.; disch. wds. Oct. 14, '62.

- Watson, James. Co. K; age 18; b. Eng.; cred. Keene; enl. Dec. 3, '63; wd. June 3, '64, Cold Harbor; ent. Campbell Gen. Hospital, Washington, D. C.; transf. to Philadelphia June 10, '64. No further record.
- Wheeler, William C. Co. A; age 33; enl. April 27, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; wd. June 25, '62, Oak Grove, Va.; disch. wds. Sept. 12, '62, Alexandria, Va.
- Whipple, William. Co. A; age 20; res. Richmond, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 5, '61; disch. disab. July 9, '63, Concord.
- White, Augustus C. Co. K; age 19; res. Marlboro, after the war, Keene; enl. Dec. 8, '63; disch. May 22, '65, Concord.
- White, Henry. Co. A; age 20; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; died, dis. Dec. 9, '61, Charles County, Md.
- White, Shubael. Co. A; age 51; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. as musc.; app. prin. musc. May 22, '61; disch. disab. Sept. 25, '61, Bladensburg, Md. See Sixth N. H. V. and V. R. C.
- Whittemore, Daniel H. Co. A; age 25; enl. April 25, '61, for 3 mos.; reenl. May 22, '61, for 3 yrs.; wd. July 21, '61, Bull Run, Va.; disch. disab. Aug. 19, '61, Concord.
- Wilber, William. Co. I; age 27; enl. Aug. 31, '61; wd. June 3, '64, Cold Harbor; disch. July 28, '65, Concord.
- Willard, George H. Band; age 22; enl. July 22, '61; must. as third class musc.; must. out Aug. 8, '62, near Harrison's Landing, Va. Supposed identical with George H. Willard, Co. C., Fifth N. H. V.
- Wright, Daniel. Co. A; age 31; enl. Aug. 1, '61; disch. disab. Oct. 12, '62, Alexandria, Va. See Fourteenth N. H. V. Formerly in state service.

Immediately after the first battle of Bull Run, when the first wave of depression had passed, the patriotism of the people rose to the highest pitch. Men rallied to the defence of the government with alacrity and enthusiasm, and regiment after regiment was equipped and sent into the field. Public meetings were held—frequently in the open air—and stirring speeches were made. Keene voted to instruct its selectmen to raise \$2,500 by loan for immediate use to aid the families of its volunteers. Several recruiting offices were opened in Keene, from one of which Officer Fred A. Barker sent forward fifty-four recruits on the 21st of August for the Third regiment, then organizing at Concord. Lieut. Samuel S. Quinn from the discharged First regiment had an office here and others in other towns; Sergt. F. W. Cobb from the Second was recruiting for that regiment; Lieut. H. T. H. Pierce, also from the First regiment, had an office in a tent on the common and recruited a company for the Fifth regiment; and Capt. Barker, from the Second, was also in the county on recruiting service for that regiment.

THIRD REGIMENT.

The Third New Hampshire Volunteers were organized during the month of August and started for the front, 1,035 strong, on the 3d of September; and the Fourth also left the state two weeks later. After spending a few weeks at Washington, the Third joined the expedition of Gen. Thomas W. Sherman to Port Royal, S. C., embarked at Annapolis and landed on the island of Hilton Head early in November and remained there until April. In June, 1862, it was sent to James Island, and on the 16th was sharply engaged at Secessionville, losing 105 men killed, wounded and missing. Among the wounded was Lieut. Henry C. Handerson of Keene. Returning to Hilton Head the regiment remained there until April, 1863, when it assisted in capturing Morris Island. It was also engaged in the siege of Fort Wagner, and lost heavily in the charge made on the 18th of July. In February, 1864, the regiment was again sent to Hilton Head and mounted. It took the name of Third New Hampshire Mounted Infantry, and was sent to Florida and encamped near Jacksonville; but in April it was dismounted and ordered to Virginia. In the meantime many of the men had reënlisted and received furloughs and had visited their homes. Arriving in Virginia about the 1st of May, the regiment was joined by the reënlisted men and took part in the actions of May 13, 14, 15 and 16 at Drewry's Bluff, losing many officers and men. Again on May 18, and June 2 and 16, it was engaged and suffered severe loss; and on the 16th of August "the regiment was well-nigh annihilated." The three years' term of enlistment of the original members expired on the 23d of August, and those who had not reënlisted were sent home and mustered out. Those who remained—a small battalion—joined in the siege of Petersburg. In November the battalion was sent to New York to aid in guarding the election against the interference of rioters, but soon returned to its camp at Laurel Hill, Va. In January, 1865, it formed a part of the infantry force engaged in the capture of Fort Fisher, and was sent thence to Wilmington, and afterwards to Goldborough, where it was mustered out, July 20,

1865. Twelve men from Keene served in that regiment, as found below. It is to be understood that they were privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated.

Brainard, Charles F. Non-com. staff; age 33; enl. Aug. 26, '61; must. as Q. M. sergt; app. 2d lieut. Co. E, Nov. 17, '62; 1st lieut. Co. K, May 13, '63; disch. disab. Aug. 10, '63.

Corker, Henry. Co. I; age 18; enl. July 25, '61; reenl. Feb. 25, '64; deserted.

Davis, George H. Co. I; age 29; enl. Aug. 1, '61; wd. June 16, '62, Secessionville, S. C.; app. corp. June 4, '63; reenl. Jan. 1, '64; app. sergt. May 1, '64; wd. May 13, '64, Drewry's Bluff, Va.; wd. May 18, '64, Bermuda Hundred, Va.; must. out July 20, '65. Received Gillmore medal.

Davis, Oliver O. Co. B; age 34; enl. Feb. 10, '62; wd. May 13, '64, Drewry's Bluff, Va.; died, wds., May 22, '64, Hampton, Va.

Emerson, George W. Co. F; age 44; b. Keene, res. Claremont; enl. July 29, '61; disch. Oct. 25, '64, term exp.

Fiske, William A. Co. I; age 21; enl. Aug. 20, '61; reenl. Jan. 1, '64; must. out July 20, '65.

Handerson, Henry C. Co. G; age 33; app. 2d lieut. Aug. 22, '61; 1st lieut., April 2, '62; wd., sev. June 16, '62, Secessionville, S. C.; app. capt. Co. K, March 7, '63; resigned Sept. 18, '63.

Holt, Edward B. Co. E; age 16; res. Nelson; cred. Keene; enl. Dec. 23, '63; wd., sev., May 13, '64, Drewry's Bluff, Va.; disch. disab. May 25, '65, Wilmington, N. C.

Joslin, Horace. Co. G; age 25; enl. Feb. 18, '62; app. wagoner; reenl. Feb. 18, '64; must. out July 20, '65.

Kavan, James. Co. C; age 29; enl. March 25, '62; disch. disab. May 9, '63; Hilton Head, S. C.

Smith, Samuel M. Co. I; age 26; enl. July 25, '61; app. 2d lieut. Aug. 22, '61; 1st lieut. Co. K, June 22, '62; resigned June 13, '63. See Fourteenth N. H. V. and U. S. colored troops.

Wyman, Emery R. Co. I; age 34; enl. Aug. 19, '61; wd., sev., May 13, '64, Drewry's Bluff, Va.; died, wds. May 16, '64.

FOURTH REGIMENT.

Only one man from Keene served in the Fourth New Hampshire Volunteers:

Drummer, Charles H. Co. F; age 23; enl. Aug. 31, '61; app. 2d lieut. Sept. 20, '61; resigned March 21, '62. See First N. H. V., and U. S. navy.

The operations of that regiment during the first two years of its service were wholly in the South—in the Carolinas and Florida. In 1864, it joined the Army of the James, afterwards that of the Potomac, and assisted in the siege of Petersburg. It was mustered out at Concord on the 23d of August, 1865.

FIFTH REGIMENT.

Thirty men from Keene joined the Fifth New Hampshire Volunteers. That regiment was organized at Concord in September and October, 1861, with Edward E. Cross, of Lancaster, an experienced soldier in the Mexican and Indian wars, as colonel. Company F was recruited chiefly from Cheshire county, with Horace T. H. Pierce, captain, and Samuel S. Quinn, second lieutenant, both of Keene and both from the First New Hampshire Volunteers. The regiment left New Hampshire for Washington on the 29th of October, was assigned to Sumner's division, of the Army of the Potomac, and encamped near Alexandria, where it remained until the following March. It was then assigned to Richardson's division, Second army corps, and was with the army at the siege of Yorktown and through the peninsular campaign, suffering heavy loss at Fair Oaks, Savage Station, White Oak Swamp and Malvern Hill. It returned with the army to Alexandria and Washington and was in the Maryland campaign in 1862. At South Mountain it was held in reserve, but at Antietam it was engaged and lost about one-third of its members present. At Fredericksburg, December 13, it was with the forces that stormed Marye's Heights, and suffered severely. Six color bearers were shot down, and of nineteen commissioned officers, eight were killed or mortally wounded, and five others wounded. Of 303 officers and men present for duty the total loss was 193, or more than sixty per cent. It was engaged in the battle of Chancellorsville, May 1-5, 1863, joined in the retreat of the army into Maryland, and was hotly engaged at Gettysburg, where Col. Cross was mortally wounded. The total loss of the regiment in that battle was about one-half of the whole number present. The Fifth joined in the pursuit of Lee's army as far as Warrenton, Va., when it was ordered home to recruit, remained in New Hampshire until November, then returned to the front and spent the winter of 1863-4 at Point Lookout, Md., with the Second and Twelfth New Hampshire Volunteers, guarding Confederate prisoners. At the opening of Grant's campaign through the Wilderness in 1864, it rejoined the Army of the Potomac

and was assigned to Barlow's division of Hancock's (Second) corps. At Cold Harbor, Va., it again suffered a loss of thirty-four killed or mortally wounded, and 192 wounded, out of a total of about 500. Crossing the James with the army, it took part in the siege of Petersburg, during which it twice recrossed the James and was engaged in the action at Deep Bottom, July 27, and again at the same place August 16, and at Ream's Station on the 25th. It then returned to the lines in front of Petersburg, and in the final struggle was engaged at Dinwiddie Court House, March 31, 1865. It made its last charge at Farmville on the 7th of April, where it was overpowered and lost its colors and some prisoners, but all were regained on the 9th, when Lee surrendered. It returned to Washington with the army, marched in the final grand review, and was mustered out at Alexandria on the 28th of June.

Below are given the records of Keene men, privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated:

- Bailey, Augustus. Co. F; age 18; enl. Oct. 23, '61; died, dis. Jan. 15, '62, near Alexandria, Va.
- Bromley, Joshua R. Co. F; age 29; enl. Oct. 23, '61; app. sergt; killed, June 6, '64, Cold Harbor, Va.
- Carey, Gilman. Co. F; age 21; enl. Oct. 2, '61; wd. June 3, '64, Cold Harbor; must. out Oct. 29, '64.
- Crown, Andrew J. Co. F; age 33; enl. Sept. 26, '61; disch. disab. Sept. 25, '62. See V. R. C.
- Duren, John A. Non-com. staff; age 29; enl. Sept. 18, '61; app. Q. M. sergt; app. 2d lieut. Co. B, April 1, '63; 1st lieut. Co. I, Oct. 1, '63; capt'd. June 3, '64, Cold Harbor, Va.; released; disch. March 16, '65.
- Farewell, Frederick A. Co. F; age 35; drafted Oct. 8, '63; must. out June 28, '65.
- Fisk, Sewell A. Co. A; age 33; enl. Dec. 26, '63; wd. June 4, '64, Cold Harbor; disch. May 11, '65, Washington D. C.
- Foss, Benjamin H. Co. F; age 21; drafted Oct. 8, '63, transf. to navy April 26, '64; deserted July 6, '65.
- Handy, George E. Co. F; age 18; enl. Oct. 23, '61; miss. June 1, '62, Fair Oaks, Va.; returned from miss.; disch. April 25, '64. See miscel. org.
- Heustis, William E. Co. F; age 17; enl. Oct. 23, '61; must. as musc.; reenl. Feb. 19, '64; disch. disab. Sept. 1, '64.
- Houghton, Abel. Co. F; age 43; enl. Oct. 23, '61; must. as musc.; disch. disab. Dec. 31, '62. See V. R. C.
- Houghton, George E. Co. F; age 18; app. corp.; transf. to I. C., Sept. 16, '63; app. sergt.; disch. Oct. 25, '64, at Fortress Monroe, term exp.
- Howard, William. Co. F; age 45; enl. Oct. 23, '61; died dis. July 4, '62, Harrison's Landing, Va.
- Kidder, Henry. Co. F; age 34; drafted Oct. 9, '63; disch. May 20, '65.

- Parker, Warren M. Co. F; age 18; enl. Oct. 23, '61; app. corp.; killed July 2, '63, Gettysburg.
- Pierce, Horace T. H. Co. F; age 37; app. capt. Oct. 12, '61; resigned Jan. 29, '63. See First N. H. V.
- Quinn, Charles A. Co. F; age 24; enl. Oct. 23, '61; wd. Sept. 17, '62, Antietam, Md.; died, wds., Nov. 17, '62, Sharpsburg, Md.
- Quinn, Samuel S. Co. F; age 21; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; app. 2d lieut. Oct. 12, '61; wd. July 1, '62, Malvern Hill; app. 1st lieut. Co. D, Aug. 1, '62; app. capt. Dec. 17, '62; resigned Feb. 17, '63. See First N. H. V.
- Reed, John A. Co. F; age 19; enl. Oct. 23, '61; wd. June 1, '62, Fair Oaks, Va.; died, wds., June 24, '62, Philadelphia.
- Robbins, Isaiah, Jr. Co. F; age 23; drafted Oct. 9, '63; wd. June 3, '64, Cold Harbor, Va.; disch. disab. May 28, '65.
- Roby, Charles. Co. F; age 31; drafted Oct. 9, '63; died, dis., June 24, '64, Washington, D. C.
- Stone, Sydney C. Co. F; age 26; enl. Oct. 23, '61; wd. June 1, '62, Fair Oaks, Va.; disch., wds., Sept. 8, '62, New York city; drafted, Oct. 8, '63; miss. April 7, '65, Farmville, Va.; returned; must. out June 28, '65.
- Sturtevant, Edward E. Co. A; b. Keene; res. Concord; age 33; app. capt. Oct. 12, '61; wd. June 1, '62, Fair Oaks, Va.; app. major, July 30, '62; killed Dec. 13, '62, Fredericksburg, Va. See First N. H. V.
- Towne, Elbridge. Co. F; age 32; enl. Oct. 23, '61; wd. May, '63, Chancellorsville, Va.; wd. June 4, '64, Cold Harbor; died, wds. July 1, '64, Alexandria, Va.
- Trask, Daniel W. Co. F; age 19; enl. Oct. 23, '61; wd. June, '62, Fair Oaks; wd. Dec. 13, '62, Fredericksburg, Va.; wd. May, '63, Chancellorsville; reenl. Feb. 22, '64; disch. June 28, '65.
- Trask, William H. Co. F; age 43; enl. Dec. 18, '63; capt'd. April 7, '65, Farmville, Va.; exchanged; disch. June 2, '65, Washington, D. C.
- Wait, John H. Co. F; age 22; enl. Oct. 23, '61; app. corp.; killed, Dec. 13, '62, Fredericksburg, Va. See First N. H. V.
- Waite, George W. Co. F; age 23; drafted, Oct. 9, '63; wd. Aug. 25, '64, Ream's Station, Va.; disch. disab. May 31, '65, Manchester, N. H.
- Willard, George H. Co. C; age 24; drafted, Oct. 9, '63; wd. July 12, '64, near Petersburg, Va.; disch. May 5, '65, Washington, D. C. Supposed identical with George H. Willard, band, Second N. H. V.
- Winslow, Jesse C. Co. F; age 34; drafted Oct. 9, '63; wd. June 3, '64, Cold Harbor; wd. Aug. 16, '64, Deep Bottom, Va.; miss. April 7, '65; returned; must. out June 28, '65.

SIXTH REGIMENT.

The Sixth regiment¹ had its rendezvous at Keene in the months of November and December, 1861, and was mustered into the United States service Nov. 27-30. Its camp was on the Cheshire county fair grounds, now Wheelock

¹A more extended historical account of the Sixth regiment is given for the reason that a large number of its members were residents of Keene, and that, having encamped in town for nearly two months, a more extensive acquaintance was made with its officers and men by the citizens of Keene than with those of any other regiment.

park, which then had buildings suitable for the quartermaster's use, but not for quarters for the men. Those were provided by the state in the form of large conical tents, each of which was furnished with a stove. Nelson Converse, of Marlboro, was appointed colonel; S. G. Griffin, promoted from captain in the Second, lieutenant colonel; and Charles Scott of Peterboro, major. Don H. Woodward, Esq., of Keene was appointed adjutant, but resigned before the regiment left the state, and was succeeded by Phin P. Bixby, of Concord. Alonzo Nute, of Farmington, afterwards member of congress, was quartermaster; Dr. William A. Tracy, of Nashua, surgeon, succeeded after a year and a half by the assistant-surgeon, Dr. Sherman Cooper of Claremont; and Rev. Robert Stinson, of Croydon, chaplain, succeeded after six months by Rev. John A. Hamilton of Keene, who remained with the regiment one year. Company E was recruited in Keene by Obed G. Dort, who was appointed its captain; and John A. Cummings, who joined it with a squad of recruits from Peterboro, was made its first lieutenant. A part of Company F was also recruited in Keene, by George C. Starkweather, who was appointed its captain, but soon resigned; and there were Keene men also in other companies. During their stay in Keene the officers of the regiment received polite attentions from the citizens, and accepted many invitations to social functions—a striking contrast to the hard and dangerous life which was before them. On Thanksgiving day the whole regiment was provided by the citizens with a sumptuous dinner at the camp, which both officers and men thoroughly enjoyed and never forgot. December 19 the regiment marched to the Square and formed in a circle around Central park, in which were Governor Berry and staff, Hon. Peter Sanborn, state treasurer—who was present to pay the soldiers the money then due them from the state and their bounty of ten dollars each—and the field and staff officers of the regiment. The governor addressed the regiment in a patriotic speech and presented it with its state banner and the national colors. On Christmas morning the regiment left its camp and marched to the station—through snow more than a

foot deep which had fallen in the night preceding—and took the cars on the Fitchburg, Worcester and Norwich route to New York and thence direct to Washington. The Sentinel of December 26 published a full roster of its members, with the following paragraph:

“DEPARTURE OF THE SIXTH.—The Sixth regiment of New Hampshire Volunteers left Keene in twenty-two cars, at about nine o'clock, Wednesday morning. The soldiers seemed in good spirits, and were heartily cheered by an immense crowd that had assembled to witness their departure. * * * *

“Taken as a whole, we doubt if a better body of men has gone to the war from this state. The field and staff officers are gentlemen of superior character, unstained by any vicious habits, and are actuated by the purest principles of patriotism. They have the entire confidence of the men under them, and of all who know them at home.”

Encamping for a few days near Washington, the Sixth was assigned to Burnside's expedition to North Carolina, and on the 8th of January, 1862, went on board the ship *Martha Greenwood*, at Annapolis. At Fortress Monroe it was transferred to the side-wheel steamer *Louisiana*, and in that river boat doubled Cape Hatteras in one of the worst storms of that stormy coast. For several weeks it was encamped on Hatteras Island, where it suffered severely from measles, malarial fever and other diseases. About sixty men died, and several others were permanently disabled. This sickness prevented the regiment from taking part in the capture of Roanoke Island, but early in March it removed to that island and remained until June, making some excursions on the main land and breaking up rebel encampments.

In March, Col. Converse resigned and Lt. Col. Griffin was promoted to colonel, Major Scott to lieutenant colonel, and Capt. Dort to major. On the 19th of April the Sixth was engaged in the battle of Camden, N. C., and at a critical moment was ordered to attack. The regiment advanced in line of battle, nearly 1,000 strong, and at the word of command poured in a volley with all the coolness and precision of a dress parade. The enemy broke and fled, and the battle was won. That volley brought the Sixth commendation in general orders, and gave it a reputation

in Burnside's corps which lasted through the war. From Roanoke Island it joined the main body of Burnside's force at Newberne, and on the 1st of July was assigned to Reno's division of that force—now the Ninth army corps—and sent to aid McClellan on the peninsula. McClellan's movements having failed, Reno's division was ordered to the aid of Gen. Pope, commanding the army in front of Washington, landed at Acquin Creek, marched to Culpepper Court House, and joined in Pope's retreat before the advance of Lee's army. During its four weeks with Pope's army the service of the regiment was exceedingly severe—marching by night, and engaged, or in constant expectation of engagements, by day. That campaign was one of the most trying the Sixth ever experienced. Rev. John A. Hamilton of Keene was appointed chaplain and joined the regiment at the beginning of this campaign.

Previous to that, while the regiment was encamped for a short time at Newport News, the wives of Lt. Col. Scott, Major Dort, and Capt. John A. Cummings, visited their husbands, taking the major's little son, four or five years old, with them. After the regiment had left, the party, with the sick of Reno's division, among whom was Lt. Col. Scott, went on board the steamer West Point and started for Baltimore. While ascending the Potomac river, in the evening of August 13, the boat collided with the descending steamer, George Peabody, and sank. One hundred and twenty were drowned, including all the ladies and the child, and George W. Marsh, of Keene, a private in the Sixth.

At the second battle of Bull Run, Aug. 29, the Sixth—with the two other regiments of its brigade, the Second Maryland on its right and the Forty-eighth Pennsylvania on its left—was sent into a piece of woods with orders from Gen. Reno to "Drive the enemy out and hold that ground." The regiment made a gallant attempt to obey the order, not suspecting that it was set to perform an impossible task. As it advanced into the woods it was received with a murderous fire; four color-bearers were shot down in succession; its left flank was uncovered, and it was compelled to retreat to save itself from capture.

Almost one-half of its whole number of officers and men present—about 450—were killed, wounded or taken prisoners. Among the mortally wounded were Lieut. George H. Muchmore, Sergeant Isaac P. McMaster, and Private Samuel E. Douglass; and among the wounded were Privates Anthony Demore, Roger S. Derby, Henry A. Farnum, Henry C. Flagg, Henry Flint and James H. Smith, all of Keene. It was afterwards learned that the opposing force was Longstreet's whole corps, seven lines deep.

After the battle of Chantilly, in which it was engaged Sept. 1, the Sixth was with its corps in McClellan's Maryland campaign. It was engaged at South Mountain; and at Antietam, with the Second Maryland, both under Col. Griffin, it made a gallant charge on the famous stone bridge, but their numbers were too small to ensure success. It was, however, one of the first to cross the bridge with the reinforcements brought up, and was the first to form its line confronting the enemy on the bluff beyond the bridge. After that battle and a rest in Pleasant Valley, the Sixth was with the army in its pursuit of Lee, and at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13, it was in the column of the Ninth corps that charged Marye's Heights, and suffered severe loss. In February, 1863, two divisions of the Ninth corps under Gen. John G. Parke were sent to Newport News, and thence, in March, to join Gen. Burnside in his command of the department of the Ohio. Early in April they moved into Kentucky to protect that state from Confederate raids and prepare for an advance into east Tennessee; and for a few weeks the soldiers enjoyed their camps in the celebrated blue grass counties. Col. Griffin being in command of the brigade, Lt. Col. Henry H. Pearson, promoted from captain, was now in command of the regiment.

Early in June, Gen. Parke and his two divisions were sent to aid Gen. Grant in his siege of Vicksburg, and formed a part of the army under Gen. Sherman to confront the Confederate Gen. Johnson and protect Grant's rear. The Ninth corps troops were encamped at Milldale and vicinity, on the Yazoo river. Vicksburg surrendered on the

4th of July, and Sherman immediately moved his army, reinforced by a part of Grant's, in pursuit of Johnson. The march to Jackson, where Johnson made a stand and the Sixth was engaged, and that of the return to Milldale after the capture of the city, were among the hardest and most distressing ever experienced by the Sixth, on account of the heat and lack of water; and that campaign in those malarial regions of Mississippi was more injurious to the health and morale of the troops of the Ninth corps than any other of the whole war. Many lives were lost and many constitutions broken. In August, the corps returned to Kentucky. In consequence of the sickness thus contracted the Second division was divided, the stronger regiments marching to east Tennessee, while those more seriously affected remained to recuperate and protect the loyal people of Kentucky. The Sixth was encamped for short terms at Frankfort and Russellville, and then was placed on guard and provost duty at Camp Nelson, a large and important depot of supplies near Nicholasville, Ky.

While at that post a large majority of the men—280, or about three-fourths of all who had served a sufficient length of time—reënlisted for three years or the war, and received a furlough of thirty days granted by the terms of enlistment. The Sixth was the first New Hampshire regiment to reënlist, and did so in larger proportionate numbers than any other from the state, retaining its organization of ten companies to the close of the war, while most of the others were consolidated with other New Hampshire regiments before being mustered out. On the 16th of January, 1864, the regiment—the reënlisted men—under Lt. Col. Pearson, started for New Hampshire. On its route to Concord, via Cleveland, Buffalo and Rutland, the regiment stopped over one night in Keene. It was royally received and entertained by the citizens, and the men were provided with quarters in the town hall. At Concord it had another grand reception, and the next day the men dispersed to their homes. They remained in the state until the 18th of March, when they reassembled at Concord and again started for the front to take part in Grant's great campaign through the Wilderness.

The Ninth corps was then reassembling and reorganizing under Gen. Burnside at Annapolis. There the Sixth met its recruits and those who had not reënlisted, brought forward from Kentucky. The Ninth and Eleventh New Hampshire Volunteers were also brought on from Kentucky and east Tennessee, and the three New Hampshire regiments, with the Seventeenth Vermont and Thirty-first and Thirty-second Maine, constituted the Second brigade of the Second division, commanded by Col. S. G. Griffin, thus leaving Lt. Col. Pearson in command of the Sixth. It was sometimes called the New Hampshire brigade, but other regiments were added from time to time until there were eleven in all in that brigade. On the 23d of April the corps left Annapolis, marched through Washington, where it was reviewed by President Lincoln, and after some delays joined the Army of the Potomac just beyond the Rapidan river on the evening of the 5th of May. At 2 o'clock the next morning the New Hampshire brigade was again in motion, marched a few miles in the darkness, got in position as daylight appeared, and attacked the enemy at sunrise near "Parker's Store." After some desultory fighting in that position the brigade was ordered to the left, through the woods, to aid in repelling an attack of the enemy on that part of the field. As it came on the ground and formed in line in rear of two other brigades of the corps, which were lying down to avoid the shot, it made an imposing appearance, four of the regiments being fresh from their states, with well filled ranks and bright new uniforms and colors. Gen. Burnside and Gen. Potter, commander of the Second division, were present with their staffs. Pleased with the appearance of this fresh force, Burnside turned to Potter and said: "Let Griffin attack." Potter repeated the order and Griffin gave the command "Forward!" The brigade of six large battalions, numbering about 3,000 men, advanced in line of battle, and as it passed over the prostrate brigades, one after the other, the sight was so inspiring that the men of each line as it was passed sprang to their feet, cheered, and, without orders, joined in the forward movement. The whole mass of enthusiastic troops advanced to the

charge under a withering fire. For a while they bore the enemy back; and the Sixth New Hampshire sprang forward, charged with the bayonet, and brought out 106 prisoners. But the troops of other corps on the left of the Ninth did not join in the movement, and soon its flank was exposed. The enemy did not fail to take advantage of that opening, swept round and enveloped that flank and compelled the Ninth corps to fall back, but only to the ground from which the movement started. The Sixth New Hampshire lost heavily in killed and wounded, and Henry A. Farnum of Keene was captured. The Eleventh New Hampshire also suffered in killed and wounded, among them Lt. Col. Collins, mortally wounded, and Lieut. Hutchins, serving on Col. Griffin's staff, killed; and Col. Harriman and several others of that regiment were taken prisoners.

During that night the army moved by the left, and at Spottsylvania Court House on the 12th the New Hampshire brigade led the advance of the Ninth corps in its support of Hancock's movement, at 4 o'clock in the morning, met the enemy in a desperate struggle of five hours' duration, held its ground, and saved Hancock's corps from being swept off the field in a countercharge. The Ninth New Hampshire made a gallant dash to capture a Confederate gun, but was repulsed with severe loss. That regiment was in command of Major George H. Chandler, Lt. Col. Babbitt having been directed by Col. Griffin to take command of the Thirty-second Maine, which was destitute of field officers. The Eleventh New Hampshire was in command of its senior officer present, Capt. H. O. Dudley. The Sixth lost sixty-seven killed and wounded, among the latter Patrick McCaffery, mortally, and William H. Barber, of Keene. The Ninth lost fifty-five killed or mortally wounded, and nearly 200 wounded, among the latter, Col. Babbitt, severely, and John E. Ellis of Keene; and its commander, Major Chandler, was also wounded. The Eleventh lost nineteen killed or mortally wounded and about 150 wounded—a total loss in the three New Hampshire regiments of nearly 500. The lines taken on the 12th were held until the 18th, when a reconnoissance, ordered by Gen. Grant to ascertain whether the enemy was still

in force in our front, was made by Griffin's brigade. The enemy showed no diminution in numbers or determination, and the brigade returned to its position.

Again the army moved to the left, and the New Hampshire brigade was engaged at North Anna river—where Lt. Col. Pearson, of the Sixth, a brave and meritorious officer, was instantly killed—at Tolopotomoy creek, Bethesda Church, and Cold Harbor, June 3. Another movement to the left, by night and by day, brought the army to the James river, which it crossed, and arrived in front of the enemy's outer line of entrenchments at Petersburg on the 16th of June. That night was spent by the brigade in working its way through slashed timber at the Shand's house, and on the morning of the 17th, at daybreak, it made a dash over the enemy's works, captured about one thousand prisoners, four pieces of artillery and a quantity of arms and ammunition. Advancing the next day to the main works, for nine weeks it lay in the besieging lines, close to the enemy—in some places within two hundred yards—almost constantly under the fire of the pickets, and suffered continual loss in killed and wounded. It joined in the charge at the battle of the Mine, July 30, where the Sixth lost heavily. Among the killed of that regiment was Capt. William K. Crossfield, of Keene, an excellent officer. On the 20th of August, the Ninth corps moved to the left and was engaged in the battle on the Weldon railroad; and again, Sept. 30, at Poplar Springs Church, where the New Hampshire brigade lost heavily in killed, wounded and captured. Among the killed was Lieut. Emory of the Ninth, on Gen. Griffin's staff.

A law having been enacted allowing soldiers in the field to vote, at the national election in November, the New Hampshire brigade voted at follows:

| For President: | Abraham Lincoln. | George B. McClellan. |
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| Sixth regiment..... | 102 | 18 |
| Ninth regiment..... | 97 | 18 |
| Eleventh regiment..... | 154 | 49 |
| | 353 | 85 |

Early in December the Ninth corps returned to its former position in front of Petersburg, and held the lines

on both sides of the Jerusalem plank road. During the last days of March and first of April, 1865, in the movements that culminated in the capture of Petersburg and Richmond, Griffin's brigade of nine regiments bore an important part. Acting under orders from Gen. Grant, in connection with Hartranft's division of six regiments, on its right, it made an assault at 4 o'clock on Sunday morning, the 2d of April, and broke through the enemy's main line—the line, bristling with abatis that had held the Union army for more than nine months—in front of Fort Sedgwick; and the next morning the army marched into Petersburg. A furious artillery duel had aroused the enemy, and the assaulting columns were received with a deadly fire, the brigade losing 725 men in killed and wounded. The brigade was with its division—now commanded by Gen. Griffin—in the pursuit, and at the surrender of Lee; and afterwards encamped at Alexandria, and took part in the grand review in Washington on the 23d of May. In June and July the troops were mustered out of service, the Sixth New Hampshire¹ being retained till the last of its division—July 17. Each regiment as it was discharged proceeded to Concord and delivered its colors to the governor of New Hampshire.

The following men from Keene served in that regiment. They were privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated.

- Barber, William H. Co. F; age 18; enl. Aug. 11, '62; wd. May 12, '64, Spottsylvania Court House; disch. June 4, '65, Alexandria, Va.
- Black, J. Ransom. Co. E; age 22; enl. Oct. 18, '61; disch. disab. March 30, '63, Philadelphia.
- Brown, John R. Co. E; age 31; enl. Nov. 27, '61; disch. disab. Aug. 2, '63, Milldale, Miss.; died, dis., Aug. 9, '63, en route from Vicksburg.
- Brown, Marshall L. Co. E; age 24; enl. Nov. 12, '61; app. hosp. steward, Jan. 2, '63; reenl. Dec. 29, '63; app. asst. surg. June 1, '65; must. out July 17, '65.
- Campbell, Charles. Co. F; age 44; enl. Oct. 7, '61; disch. disab. Feb. 2, '63, Newark, N. J.
- Carroll, Thomas. Co. F; age 48; enl. Oct. 14, '61; miss. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run, Va.; return from miss.; disch. disab. Jan. 17, '63, Alexandria, Va. See V. R. C.
- Cass, Lewis. Co. I; age 44; enl. Oct. 21, '61; must. in Nov. 28, '61. No farther record.

¹ For further details of the service of the Sixth and of the New Hampshire brigade, see sketch of its commander, Gen. S. G. Griffin.

- Cheney, Clinton C. Co. E; age 18; enl. Oct. 14, '61; app. corp.; died, dis., Feb. 26, '62, Hatteras Inlet.
- Church, John L. Co. F; age 42; enl. Oct. 3, '61; died, dis., Aug. 31, '63, Nicholasville, Ky.
- Clark, Charles L. Co. F; age 22; b. Marlboro; res. Keene; enl. Nov. 15, '61; app. sergt.; reenl. Jan. 4, '64, cred. Marlboro; app. 1st sergt. March 1, '64, 1st lieut. March 2, '65; must. out July 17, '65, Alexandria, Va.
- Clement, Benjamin F. Co. E; age 42; enl. Nov. 9, '61; disch. disab. Feb. 6, '63, Alexandria, Va. See V. R. C.
- Crossfield, William K. Co. E; age 28; enl. Oct. 31, '61; app. 1st sergt. Nov. 28, '61, 2d lieut. April 23, '62, capt. Co. C, Oct. 16, '62; killed July 30, '64, mine expl., Petersburg, Va.
- Demore, Anthony. Co. H; age 18; enl. Sept. 30, '61; transf. to Co. F, Dec. 1, '61; wd. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run, Va.; killed Dec. 13, '62, Fredericksburg, Va.
- Derby, Roger S. Co. G; age 18; enl. Dec. 3, '61; wd. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run; disch. Feb. 26, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Dodwell, John. Co. G; age 44; enl. Dec. 7, '61; deserted March 19, '64, Covington, Ky.
- Dort, Obed G. Co. E; age 33; app. capt. Nov. 30, '61; app. major April 22, '62; resigned Sept. 24, '62.
- Douglass, Samuel E. Co. F; age 18; enl. Oct. 14, '61; wd. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run; died, wds., Sept. 19, '62, Georgetown, D. C.
- Farnum, Henry A. Co. F; age 18; enl. Sept. 25, '61; wd. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run; capt. May 6, '64, Wilderness, Va.; released March 1, '65; disch. May 20, '65, term exp.
- Flagg, Henry C. Co. G; age 19; enl. Dec. 3, '61; wd. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run; disch. Dec. 23, '62, Washington, D. C.
- Flint, Henry. Co. E; age 25; enl. Oct. 30, '61; wd. and miss. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run; return from miss.; died, dis., Oct. 15, '62, Georgetown, D. C.
- Gage, William. Co. F; age 38; enl. Nov. 30, '61; app. corp.; reenl. Jan. 4, '64, cred. Surry; must. out July 17, '65, Alexandria, Va.
- Garoty, John. Co. H; age 28; enl. Dec. 11, '61; reenl. Jan. 16, '64, cred. Hinsdale; must. out July 17, '65.
- Griffin, Simon G. Field and staff; age 37; res. Concord, after the war, Keene; app. lt. col. Oct. 26, '61, col. April 22, '62; disch. May 11, '64, to accept promotion. See Second N. H. V., and miscel. org.
- Hadley, Emory. Co. F; age 18; enl. Sept. 20, '61; deserted, Dec. 11, '62, Falmouth, Va.
- Hamilton, John A. Field and staff; age 31; app. chaplain July 16, '62; resigned July 1, '63.
- Hill, Silas W. Co. F; age 36; enl. Nov. 18, '61; app. corp.; transf. to invalid corps, Sept. 17, '63; disch. Nov. 28, '64, New York city.
- Irish, Henry G. Co. F; age 34; enl. Nov. 11, '61; disch. Feb. 25, '64, Camp Dennison, Ohio.
- Kingsbury, Edward A. Co. E; age 22; res. Surry, after the war, Keene; enl. Nov. 5, '61; disch. disab. Jan. 29, '63. See First N. H. Art.
- Lawrence, Frederick C. Co. F; age 21; enl. Oct. 17, '61; disch. disab. Jan. 2, '63; died, dis. Jan. 25, '63, Troy.
- Marsh, George W. Co. E; age 25; enl. Nov. 16, '61; drowned Aug. 13, '62, by foundering of steamer, West Point, in Potomac river. See First N. H. V.
- Martin, Paul. Co. G; age 43; enl. Nov. 15, '61; disch. Oct. 18, '62, Alexandria, Va. See Fifth N. H. V.

- Marvin, Bryon O. Co. F; age 18; enl. Oct. 21, '61; disch. disab. May 1, '64, Indianapolis, Ind.
- Mason, Orin F. Co. F; age 18; b. Sullivan; res. Keene; enl. Nov. 15, '61; app. corp.; reenl. Jan. 1, '64; cred. Sullivan; wd. June 17, '64, Petersburg, Va.; app. sergt. July 1, '65; must. out July 17, '65.
- McCaffrey, Patrick. Co. F; age 28; res. Keene; enl. Oct. 16, '61; reenl. Jan. 4, '64; cred. Stratford; wd. May 18, '64, Spottsylvania, Va.; died, wds. May 20, '64, Fredericksburg, Va.
- McMaster, Isaac P. Co. E; age 32; enl. Oct. 19, '61; app. sergt. Nov. 28, '61; killed Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run.
- Metcalf, Salmon G. Co. F; age 25; enl. Oct. 12, '61; app. corp.; disch. disab. Oct. 27, '62, Providence, R. I.
- Muchmore, George H. Co. E; age 31; enl. Oct. 17, '61, as priv.; app. 2d lieut. Nov. 30, '61, 1st lieut. April 23, '62; wd. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run; died, wds., Sept. 11, '62, Washington, D. C.
- Perry, William H. Co. F; age 18; enl. Sept. 28, '61; wd. Dec. 13, '62, Fredericksburg, Va.; sent to gen. hospital, Central park, New York city, for guard duty, June 5, '63; sent to Park barracks July 29, '63; no farther record.
- Rahn, William. Co. G; age 44; enl. Dec. 5, '61; disch. April 23, '63, Newberne, N. C. See V. R. C.
- Richardson, George B. Co. F; age 45; b. Keene; res. Swanzey; enl. Oct. 1, '61; disch. disab. June 24, '62, Newberne, N. C.
- Richardson, Justus S. Co. K; age 18; res. Rindge, after the war, Keene; enl. Oct. 28, '61; reenl. Jan. 4, '64; capt'd. Oct. 1, '64, Poplar Springs Church, Va.; released; app. corp. June 1, '65, sergt. July 1, '65; must. out July 17, '65.
- Russell, James W. Co. E; age 21; enl. Oct. 14, '61; must. out July 17, '65. Res. Rindge, after the war, Keene.
- Sebastian, Edward P. Co. E; age 20; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; enl. Oct. 1, '61; disch. disab. Nov. 12, '62. See Eighteenth N. H. V.
- Smith, James H. Co. E; age 20; enl. Nov. 9, '61; wd. Aug. 29, '62, Bull Run; disch. disab. Dec. 28, '63. See V. R. C.
- Starkey, Joseph S. Co. F; age 44; enl. Nov. 28, '61; disch. disab. Feb. 10, '63. See V. R. C.
- Starkweather, George C. Co. F; age 22; app. capt. Nov. 30, '61; resigned Jan. 29, '62.
- Stearns, Charles F. Co. F; age 32; enl. Nov. 6, '61; died, dis. Dec. 2, '62, Washington, D. C.
- Stone, Lewis. Co. F; age 27; enl. Nov. 15, '61; reenl. Jan. 4, '64; deserted, July 25, '64, Concord, N. H.
- Town, Edgar. Co. G; age 18; enl. Dec. 6, '61; app. corp.; wd. Dec. 13, '62; died, wds. Dec. 15, '62, Fredericksburg, Va.
- Towne, Hosea. Co. E; age 35; enl. Oct. 19, '61; app. sergt.; must. out Nov. 28, '64.
- Viger, Arcules. Co. F; age 35; enl. Oct. 13, '61; res. Keene; reenl. Dec. 22, '63, cred. Marlboro; must. out July 17, '65.
- White, Shubael. Non-com. staff; age 51; enl. Nov. 28, '61, and must. as principal musc.; disch. disab. March 3, '62, Roanoke Island. See Second N. H. V. and V. R. C.
- Woodward, Don H. Field and staff; age 26; app. adjt. Nov. 19, '61; not must. in; resigned Nov. 28, '61.
- Young, John. Co. H; age 21; enl. Dec. 10, '61; deserted Aug. 10, '62, Falmouth, Va.; returned May 9, '65, under president's proclamation; disch. May 9, '65, Concord, N. H.

SEVENTH REGIMENT.

The Seventh New Hampshire Volunteers were organized in the fall of 1861, by authority direct from the war department to the adjutant general of the state, and were equipped and supplied by the United States government. The citizens of Keene were not represented in that regiment.

EIGHTH REGIMENT.

Only two men from Keene served in the Eighth New Hampshire Volunteers:

Carr, Clark H. Co. H; age 33; enl. Nov. 8, '61; app. corp.; disch. disab. May 4, '63, at New Orleans.

Estabrook, Aaron G. Co. H; age 34; b. Keene; res. Concord; app. capt. Dec. 20, '61; resigned Aug. 29, '62. See First N. H. Cav.

The service of that regiment was wholly in the South, chiefly in Louisiana.

TOWN AND STATE AFFAIRS.

Early in August, 1861, the large building on Court street north of the courthouse, owned by Abijah Wilder and occupied by Samuel Woodward & Co., dealers in stoves and tin ware, (formerly Norwood & Hubbard) and by Joseph Foster for the manufacture of organs and melodeons, was destroyed by fire. The loss was about \$4,000. That building is believed to have been the first meetinghouse built on the common and afterwards used as a courthouse. When a new wooden courthouse was built in 1795 it was placed "on the site of the old one," which was removed, and probably to this spot.

During the winter of 1861-2 the hearts of the people were cheered by the success of Burnside's expedition to North Carolina and the capture of Roanoke Island, by Grant's victories at Forts Henry and Donnelson, and by great expectations of McClellan and his army—then lying idle in front of Washington.

Washington's birthday was celebrated in Keene with ardent patriotism. At a large meeting in the town hall, Hon. Levi Chamberlain presided, stirring speeches were made, there was music by a military band and a glee club, and thirty-four girls representing the states, each

carrying a miniature flag, sang "The Star Spangled Banner." Bells were rung at sunrise, noon and sunset, and there were bonfires in the evening.

At the annual meeting in March, Keene appropriated \$3,000 for the relief of the wives and children of its volunteers, and to continue the pay of deceased soldiers to their families for the current year. It was also voted to accept and adopt the act of the legislature, passed the previous year, enabling the town to establish waterworks, and a committee of seven, of which William P. Wheeler was chairman, was appointed to see what measures were necessary to carry out the act.

As the season advanced and reports of the capture of New Orleans, the movements of McClellan's army and other operations in the field were received, the excitement again became intense. Frequent public meetings were held, at one of which, on the 19th of July, a subscription paper to aid the volunteers and their families was started, and \$3,400 were subscribed on the spot, increased within a few days to \$4,000. On the 26th of the same month there was a mass meeting on the common at which 3,000 to 4,000 people were assembled. Ex-Governor Dinsmoor again presided, with prominent men of the county for vice presidents. The principal speakers were Hon. Daniel Clark, United States senator; Hon. Thomas M. Edwards, member of congress; and Capt. T. A. Barker, of the Second regiment, at home on leave of absence. A legal town meeting on the 2d of August voted \$50 bounty to each volunteer, and \$75 to those who would enlist in the regiments already in the field, in addition to all bounties paid by the state and national governments. Another mass meeting was held in Cheshire Hall (in the south wing of the Cheshire House) on the 21st of August, town meetings were held in the town hall on the 23d and 25th, and there was another mass meeting on the common on the 29th of the same month. More troops having been called for—some for nine months—on the 6th of September the town voted to increase its bounties to the three years' men to \$150, and to pay \$100 to nine months' men; and the selectmen were authorized to borrow \$22,000 for that

purpose. In June, Jacob Green and Arthur N. Elliot opened recruiting offices, followed soon afterwards by Nelson N. Sawyer, for the Ninth New Hampshire Volunteers. Charles A. Harnden was here recruiting for the Tenth, Capt. Solon A. Carter and others for the Fourteenth, and in September, Horatio Colony and Fred H. Kingsbury opened offices for nine months' men. During that summer and fall of 1862, New Hampshire organized and sent into the field eight regiments of infantry—the Ninth to the Sixteenth—numbering about 8,000 men, besides sending large numbers of recruits to those already in the service.

NINTH REGIMENT.

On the 4th of August Lieut. Green, with forty-seven recruits, started on the march to Concord, to join the Ninth New Hampshire Volunteers, then organizing there, escorted to the top of Beech hill by a cavalcade of citizens. That squad formed the nucleus of Company I, of which John W. Babbitt was appointed captain, Jacob Green first lieutenant, and Nelson N. Sawyer second lieutenant. The Ninth, with Enoch Q. Fellows, of Sandwich, colonel, and Herbert B. Titus, of Chesterfield, lieutenant colonel, left the state on the 25th of August, and soon after its arrival at Washington was assigned to the First brigade, Second division of the Ninth army corps, in which were the Sixth New Hampshire Volunteers and joined its brigade on the Monocacy river, Md. On the 14th of September it was engaged at South Mountain, on the 17th at Antietam, and on the 13th of December at Fredericksburg. In February, 1863, it went with its corps to Newport News, thence to Kentucky, and thence to the aid of Gen. Grant at Vicksburg, Miss. After the surrender of that city it joined in the pursuit of Johnson and the capture of the city of Jackson, and returned with the corps to Kentucky. The Ninth was seriously affected by the climate of Mississippi, and was placed on light duty to recuperate. With its regimental headquarters at Paris, in the centre of the blue grass region, it had the very agreeable duty of guarding the Kentucky Central railroad and protecting the inhabitants from Confederate raids. Early in 1864 it

was ordered to east Tennessee, but almost immediately returned, and rejoined the Ninth corps at Annapolis, Md. There it was assigned to the Second brigade, Second division, with the Sixth and Eleventh New Hampshire Volunteers, commanded by Col. S. G. Griffin, and the remainder of its sketch may be found in connection with the Sixth and the New Hampshire brigade.

Following is a list of members of the regiment from Keene, being privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated:

- Ayer, Elisha. Co. I; age 41; enl. June 21, '62; app. sergt.; transf. to I. C., Jan. 15, '64; disch. July 24, '65, Cleveland, Ohio.
- Babbitt, John W. Co. I; age 27; app. capt. Aug. 10, '62; app. lt. col. Nov. 22, '62; wd. May 12, '64, Spottsylvania, Va.; disch. wds., Dec. 5, '64. (Previous service in Eighth and Fifty-eighth Ill. Vols. Rose to rank of capt., was present at the capture of Fort Donnelson and at the battle of Pittsburg Landing, where he was severely wd.) He was in command of the Ninth N. H. in the Wilderness campaign in '64 until the 12th of May, when he was assigned to the command of the Thirty-second Maine Vols., and was wounded, as above.
- Belville, Francis. Co. I; age 38; enl. July 14, '62; transf. to I. C. Jan. 20, '64; reenl. Sept. 12, '64; disch. Nov. 17, '65.
- Bundy, Alvin A. Co. I; age 31; enl. Dec. 8, '63; disch. disab. June 30, '65, Alexandria, Va.
- Chamberlain, Noel Byron. Co. I; age 19; enl. Aug. 7, '62; must. out June 10, '65.
- Chase, Alfred. Co. I; age 22; enl. Aug. 18, '62; must. out June 10, '65.
- Chase, Charles D. Co. I; age 22; enl. Aug. 7, '62; app. corp.; died, dis., July 20, '63, Clinton, Miss.
- Colburn, Eleazer. Co. I; age 23; enl. Dec. 22, '63; wd. Sept. 30, '64, Poplar Springs Church; disch. June 10, '65. See First N. H. V.
- Craig, Joseph S. Co. I; age 19; enl. July 24, '62; died, dis., Jan. 7, '64, Paris, Ky.
- Darling, Lewis D. Co. I; age 18; enl. Aug. 18, '62; app. corp. July 26, '63; wd. May 31, '64, Tolopotomoy Creek, Va.; wd. July 30, '64, mine explosion, Petersburg, Va.; must. out June 10, '65.
- Ellis, John E. Co. I; age 18; enl. Dec. 15, '63; wd. May 12, '64, Spottsylvania, Va.; must. out July 17, '65.
- Ellis, Minot. Co. I; age 21; enl. Aug. 7, '62; app. corp. Nov. 1, '64; must. out June 10, '65.
- Ellis, Warren R. Co. I; age 22; enl. Aug. 6, '62; wd. Dec. 13, '62, Fredericksburg, Va.; disch. wds. March 5, '63; died, Sept. 3, '65, Keene.
- Estey, Lyman E. Co. I; age 18; enl. Dec. 29, '63; wd. Sept. 30, '64, Poplar Springs Church, Va.; disch. Aug. 2, '65, Washington, D. C.
- Fellows, Lucian B. Co. I; age 18; enl. July 28, '62; must. out June 10, '65.
- Fellows, Truman S. Co. I; age 23; enl. July 9, '62; transf. to I. C. July 3, '63; disch. July 29, '65, Philadelphia.
- Flynn, Martin. Co. B; age 27; enl. July 1, '62; killed, June 29, '64, Petersburg, Va.

- Foster, Alvin R. Co. I; age 27; cred. Alstead, after the war, res. Keene; enl. Aug. 8, '62; app. sergt.; disch. disab. Aug. 11, '63.
- Fox, George D. Co. I; age 19; b. Stoddard; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 8, '62; killed Sept. 17, '62, Antietam, Md.
- French, Stephen S. Co. I; age 19; enl. Dec. 17, '63; wd. June, '64, Petersburg, Va.; disch. wds. July 26, '65. See Sixteenth N. H. V.
- Gilmore, George H. Co. I; age 19; enl. Aug. 9, '62; b. Wilton; cred. Keene; app. corp. Feb. 1, '64, sergt. March 1, '64; must. out June 10, '65.
- Green, Jacob. Co. I; age 39; app. 1st lieut. Aug. 10, '62; resigned March 8, '64.
- Hartwell, William H. Co. I; age 18; b. Langdon; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 8, '62; app. corp.; app. sergt. May 1, '63; capt'd. Sept. 30, '64, Poplar Springs Church, Va.; released Feb. 28, '65; disch. June 12, '65, Baltimore, Md.
- Hastings, George E. Co. I; age 24; b. Chesterfield; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 9, '62; disch. disab. Nov. 18, '62.
- Heon, Jesse. Co. I; age 19; b. Philadelphia; cred. Keene; enl. June 27, '62; app. corp. Feb. 1, '65; must. out June 10, '65.
- Hubbard, Henry E. Co. I; age 25; b. Sullivan; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 7, '62; app. 1st sergt.; app. 2d lieut. Co. B, Jan. 1, '64; must. out June 10, '65.
- Jolly, Isaac. Co. I; age 23; enl. Aug. 2, '62; must. out June 10, '65.
- Jolly, Joseph. Co. I; age 33; enl. July 28, '62; wd. Sept. 17, '62, Antietam, Md.; disch. wds. April 15, '63. See V. R. C.
- Knight, Charles H. Co. I; age 23; enl. Aug. 8, '62; app. corp.; wd. July 30, '64, mine explosion, Va.; disch. disab. March 28, '65, Manchester.
- Leverett, Frank J. Co. I; age 18; enl. Aug. 9, '62; died, dis., Oct. 2, '63, Paris, Ky.
- Mason, Moses. Co. I; age 39; b. Westmoreland; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 8, '62; died, dis., Aug. 9, '63, en route from Vicksburg, Miss.
- Mason, Simeon A. Co. I; age 37; b. Westmoreland; cred. Keene; enl. July 21, '62; must. out June 10, '65.
- Mathews, James H. Co. I; age 21; enl. Aug. 7, '62; wd. Sept. 30, '64, Poplar Springs Church, Va.; app. corp. May 1, '65; must. out June 10, '65.
- McClure, George W. Co. I; age 21; b. Antrim; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 7, '62; app. corp.; app. sergt. Jan. 1, '63, 1st sergt. Jan. 1, '64; miss. July 30, '64, mine explosion, Va.; returned from miss.; must. out June 10, '65.
- Messenger, Edward M. Co. I; age 21; b. Stoddard; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 8, '62; wd. Sept. 17, '62, Antietam; disch. wds., Dec. 24, '62, Concord.
- Metcalf, William F. Co. I; age 22; enl. Aug. 18, '62; must. out June 10, '65.
- Moore, James. Unassigned; age 18; enl. Dec. 15, '63; capt'd. Feb. 27, '64, Cumberland Gap; paroled May 5, '64; died, dis., June 13, '64, Annapolis, Md.
- Morris, Edward. Co. I; age 43; b. Canada; cred. Keene; enl. July 29, '62; killed July 30, '64, mine explosion, Petersburg, Va.
- Morris, George H. Co. I; age 18; enl. Dec. 18, '63; wd. May 31, '64, Tolopotomoy Creek, Va.; transf. to V. R. C. Feb. 6, '65; disch. June 26, '65, Washington, D. C.

- Ormsby, William S. Co. I; age 23; b. Elizabethtown, N. Y.; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 7, '62; must. out June 10, '65.
- Perham, Edmond J. Co. I; age 35; b. Athens, Vt.; cred. Keene; enl. June 9, '62; died, dis., Oct. 26, '62, Weverton, Md.
- Perry, S. Horace. Co. I; age 23; enl. Aug. 7, '62; app. sergt.; app. 2d lieu. Co. G, Jan. 1, '63, 1st lieu. Jan. 1, '64; resigned April 20, '64.
- Pierce, Joseph W. Co. I; age 27; enl. Aug. 4, '62; disch. disab. May 27, '63, Concord.
- Rand, William H. Co. I; age 22; enl. Aug. 5, '62; app. corp., app. sergt. Jan. 1, '64; must. out June 10, '65.
- Raymond, William. Co. A; age 21; enl. Dec. 22, '63; must. out July 17, '65.
- Ross, William W. Co. I; age 19; enl. July 24, '62; wd. June 21, '64, Petersburg, Va.; disch. wds. Nov. 18, '64, Washington, D. C.
- Rugg, Charles E. Co. I; age 18; enl. Aug. 8, '62; app. sergt.; app. Q. M. sergt. Feb. 13, '64; must. out June 10, '65.
- Sawyer, Nelson N. Co. I; age 37; app. 2d lieu. Aug. 10, '62; resigned Sept. 29, '62.
- Slyfield, James. Co. I; age 18; enl. Aug. 8, '62; must. out June 10, '65.
- Sprague, S. Henry. Co. I; age 21; enl. Aug. 5, '62; app. Q. M. sergt. Sept. 27, '62; app. 1st lieu. Co. F, Nov. 13, '62; died, dis., Aug. 18, '63, Cincinnati, O.
- Sullivan, Michael. Co. I; age 43; enl. Aug. 6, '62; wd. Sept. 17, '62, Antietam; disch. disab. Feb. 10, '63. See V. R. C.
- Taylor, Ransom O. Co. I; age 36; enl. Jan. 20, '64; disch. disab. Oct. 1, '64, Concord.
- Towns, Charles E. Co. I; age 23; enl. Aug. 11, '62; died (concussion of the brain), Feb. 20, '65, near Petersburg, Va. See First N. H. V.
- Tufts, George. Co. I; age 33; b. Keene, and res. after the war, Keene; cred. Stoddard; enl. Aug. 11, '62; disch. June 27, '65, Annapolis, Md.
- Wallace, Samuel J. Unassigned; age 22; enl. Dec. 19, '63; no further record.
- Whittle, James C. Co. I; age 40; enl. Dec. 8, '63; disch. disab. June 30, '65, Alexandria, Va.
- Wilcox, Charles W. Co. I; age 25; enl. Aug. 5, '62; app. sergt.; app. 2d lieu. Co. F, May 1, '63; capt'd. May 12, '64, Spottsylvania, Va.; paroled Mar. 5, '65; disch. May 15, '65.
- Willson, William O. Co. I; age 33; cred. Alstead; after the war, res. Keene; enl. Aug. 8, '62; transf. to I. C., Sept. 30, '63; disch. Aug. 15, '65, Ft. Monroe, term. exp.

TENTH, ELEVENTH, TWELFTH AND THIRTEENTH REGIMENTS.

No one from Keene joined the Tenth regiment; and the name of but one citizen of Keene is found on the rolls of the Eleventh, and he came to Keene to reside after the war:

- Ray, Reuben. Co. F; age 19; res. New London, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 13, '62; wd. May 12, '64, Spottsylvania, Va.; app. sergt.; must. out June 4, '65.

But the Eleventh was one of the regiments that composed the New Hampshire brigade, and the account of its

service in 1864-5 may be found under that head, with the Sixth and the Ninth. In the autumn of 1862 it was with the Ninth corps on its march from Pleasant Valley and in the battle of Fredericksburg, Dec. 13; and in 1863 it was with its corps—in Kentucky in the spring, in the Mississippi campaign in the summer, and in east Tennessee in the fall and winter.

The Twelfth regiment was raised in the eastern part of the state and no enlistments for it were made in Keene; and only one citizen of Keene joined the Thirteenth.

Twitchell, Dr. George B. Field and staff; age 41; app. surg. Sept. 15, '62; resigned March 31, '63, to accept promotion. See miscel. org.

FOURTEENTH REGIMENT.

The Fourteenth regiment was organized at Concord in August and September, 1862, with Robert Wilson of Keene, a brother of Gen. James, colonel; and Tileston A. Barker, of Westmoreland, promoted from captain in the Second New Hampshire Volunteers, lieutenant colonel. Both these officers had been colonels of the Twentieth regiment of New Hampshire militia, had previously commanded the rival light infantry companies of their respective towns, and the spirit of antagonism displayed by them on the muster field had not died out. If they did not see much of war in the service of the United States it was not wanting in their own organization.¹ That circumstance detracted from the efficiency of the regiment in the early part of its service, but the personnel of the rank and file, and of the officers generally, was of the best; and towards the close of its service the discipline and effectiveness of the regiment were excellent. Dr. William H. Thayer, of Keene, was appointed surgeon, and it had a larger number of men from Keene than any other regiment in the service. The Fourteenth left the state in October, and was employed at first in guarding the crossings of the upper Potomac, but in April, 1863, it was ordered to Washington, and for nine months it performed guard and provost duty in the capital, greatly to the satisfaction of the citizens, and winning the commendation of President Lincoln. In the last of February, 1864, it received a furlough

¹ See New Hampshire Sentinel, January 5, 1865.

of two weeks and returned to New Hampshire to perform the service of voting, a duty¹ at that time as important as that of fighting, for nearly all the members voted the Union ticket.

On the 16th of March the Fourteenth again left New Hampshire, and at New York city embarked on the steamer Daniel Webster for the Department of the Gulf, and joined the Nineteenth army corps at New Orleans. In July, however, that corps was ordered north and became a part of Sheridan's Army of the Shenandoah. In this transfer the regiment was divided, six companies under Col. Wilson going to the army of the James and being engaged at Deep Bottom, Va., July 27 and 28; while four companies under Major Gardner proceeded to the Shenandoah valley and were engaged in the battle of Winchester, Aug. 17. The two battalions were reunited Aug. 18, Col. Wilson resigned, and Major Gardner commanded the regiment at the battle of Opequan, Sept. 19, where he was mortally wounded, and the regiment lost heavily. At Fisher's Hill, Sept. 22, and at Cedar Creek, Oct. 19, Capt. F. L. Tolman was in command and the regiment did good service. Adjutant Carroll D. Wright was promoted to colonel Dec. 6, and Capt. Tolman to major. After its campaign in the Shenandoah valley the Fourteenth was sent to the Department of the South, Major Tolman in command, performed provost duty in Georgia, and was mustered out of service at Hilton Head, July 7, 1865.

Following is a list of members of the regiment from Keene, being privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated:

- Abbott, Warren. Co. B; age 28; res. Charlestown, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 15, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
 Allen, Calvin, Jr. Co. G; age 27; enl. Dec. 8, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
 Baker, Charles W. Unassigned; age 22; enl. April 4, '65, for 1 yr.; disch. May 6, '65.
 Balch, Perley S. Co. C; age 37; enl. Aug. 13, '62; transf. to V. R. C. Aug. 30, '64; disch. disab. Oct. 9, '64.

¹In the elections of 1863 many of the states had gone against the administration. New Hampshire was a close state, and its annual state election, coming in March, was to be the first in the political campaign of 1864. Early in that year President Lincoln sent for Gen. Edward W. Hincks, a volunteer officer from Massachusetts, who was a good public speaker, and said to him: "I want you to go to New Hampshire and take part in the campaign. I regard it as more important to carry this New Hampshire state election than to whip the enemy on any battlefield where he can be reached." (Gen. E. W. Hincks, in a conversation in Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 15, 1888.)

- Barden, Hiram, Jr. Co. C; age 25; enl. Aug. 27, '62; transf. to V. R. C. March 15, '65; disch. June 30, '65.
- Barrett, William A. Co. G; age 36; enl. Aug. 28, '62; app. wagoner Nov. 1, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
- Benton, Frank G. Co. A; age 21; enl. Aug. 29, '62; disch. disab. Dec. 12, '64.
- Berry, Ira, Jr. Co. C; age 25; enl. Aug. 29, '62; app. 1st lieut. Oct. 9, '62; app. capt. Co. H, Oct. 1, '63; wd. Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; must. out July 8, '65. Bvt. major U. S. V. for gallantry in the battle of Opequan.
- Blodgett, Edmund. Co. C; age 41; enl. Aug. 12, '62; disch. disab. April 25, '63.
- Blodgett, Sylvester. Co. G; age 40; enl. Aug. 30, '62; disch. disab. Sept. 16, '63.
- Bolio, Theodore. Co. C; age 44; enl. Aug. 21, '62; disch. disab. Aug. 2, '64.
- Britton, Frederick F. Co. F; age 21; res. Keene; cred. Surry; enl. Sept. 1, '62; wd. Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; disch. July 6, '65.
- Britton, George H. Co. A; age 26; b. Keene; cred. Westmoreland; enl. Aug. 8, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Brock, Charles E. Co. A; age 19; enl. Aug. 15, '62; app. corp. July 1, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Brown, Boardwin. Co. F; age 44; enl. Sept. 1, '62; disch. disab. Jan. 30, '64.
- Brown, Charles H. Co. B; age 21; res. Walpole, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 10, '62; app. corp. May 1, '65; must. out July 8, '65.
- Burbank, Franklin. Co. C; age 44; res. Keene; cred. Swanzey; enl. Sept. 15, '62; disch. May 6, '65.
- Burns, Patrick. Co. G; age 38; enl. Aug. 31, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Burns, Thomas. Co. G; age 18; enl. Dec. 8, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
- Byam, Benjamin W. Co. C; age 36; enl. Aug. 16, '62; disch. disab. Feb. 28, '63.
- Carrall, George Henry. Co. C; age 27; enl. Aug. 13, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Carter, Solon A. Co. G; age 25; app. capt. Oct. 9, '62; disch. April 17, '65, to accept promotion. See miscel. org.
- Casey, John. Co. G; age 26; enl. Aug. 31, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Chapin, Charles A. Co. D; age 21; b. Westmoreland; cred. Keene; enl. March 9, '65, for 1 yr; must. out July 8, '65.
- Coates, Darwin C. Co. C; age 36; enl. Aug. 26, '62; transf. to V. R. C. Sept. 30, '64; retransf. to company Dec. 22, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Cooper, Albert. Co. G; age 18; enl. Aug. 30, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Craig, Allen A. Co. G; age 43; enl. Dec. 26, '63; wd. Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; must. out July 8, '65. See Second N. H. V.
- Cummings, Joseph W. Co. C; age 24; enl. Aug. 27, '62; wd. Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Davis, Asa W. Co. G; age 36; enl. Aug. 28, '62; app. corp. Oct. 6, '62; reduced to ranks April 21, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Day, Calvin K. Co. G; age 28; enl. Aug. 27, '62; app. corp. Oct. 6, '62; reduced to ranks July 2, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
- Day, George A. Co. F; age 42; enl. Sept. 1, '62; app. principal musc. March 1, '65; must. out July 8, '65.

- Doolittle, Joseph S. Co. G; age 27; enl. Aug. 28, '62; wd. Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; transf. to V. R. C. Jan. 28, '65; disch. wds. July 27, '65.
- Drake, William S. Co. G; age 29; enl. Aug. 27, '62; disch. disab. Nov. 23, '63.
- Dunn, Noble T. Co. A; age 27; enl. Aug. 16, '62; died, dis., Sept. 8, '64, Keene.
- Dyer, Lewis S. D. Co. C; age 43; enl. Dec. 18, '63; deserted.
- Ellis, Lyman. Co. G; age 31; enl. Oct. 2, '62; disch. May 26, '65.
- Evans, Frank, Jr. Co. G; age 18; enl. Aug. 30, '62; died, dis. March 30, '63, Poolesville, Md.
- Gallagher, Francis. Co. C; age 26; enl. Aug. 16, '62; wd. Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Gilmore, Charles G. Co. C; age 23; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 14, '62; app. corp. Jan. 17, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Gorman, Michael. Co. C; age 26; enl. Sept. 1, '62; disch. disab. Oct. 17, '64, Washington, D. C. See First N. H. V.
- Gowen, George M. Co. B; age 21; res. Marlow, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 22, '62; disch. disab. Oct. 8, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Graves, Frank B. Co. B; age 18; res. Walpole, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 23, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Hastings, Emery. Co. C; age 44; enl. Aug. 29, '62; disch. disab. July 18, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Hastings, John G. Co. E; age 32; enl. Feb. 15, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Healey, Daniel K. Co. C; age 21; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 12, '62; app. sergt. Sept. 22, '62; disch. Aug. 31, '63, to accept promotion. See U. S. colored troops.
- Hill, Charles H. Co. C; age 31; enl. Sept. 1, '62; disch. disab. Sept. 26, '64, Concord.
- Hill, Horace J. Co. G; age 21; enl. Dec. 8, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
- Holman, Ira B. Co. C; age 31; enl. Aug. 27, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Houghton, Adelbert A. Co. C; age 18; enl. Aug. 12, '62; must. as musc.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Houston, J. Augustine. Co. G; age 27; enl. Aug. 27, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Howard, Ambrose W. Co. C; age 23; enl. Aug. 27, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Howard, George A. Co. D; age 20; b. Nelson; cred. Keene; enl. March 9, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Hurd, Cyrus. Co. G; age 41; enl. Dec. 12, '63; disch. disab. Sept. 20, '64, Concord.
- Jenks, J. Henry. Co. C; age 39; enl. Aug. 28, '62; app. sergt. Sept. 22, '62; app. sergt. major Jan. 12, '64; killed Oct. 19, '64, Cedar Creek, Va.
- Johnston, Sydney E. Co. C; age 19; enl. Aug. 15, '62; disch. disab. July 20, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Jones, Sylvester. Co. D; age 44; enl. Aug. 12, '62; died, dis. March 13, '64, Washington, D. C.
- Kehue, George. Co. G; age 38; enl. Aug. 30, '62; app. corp.; must. out June 8, '65.
- Keith, Fay. Co. A; age 44; b. Keene; res. Westmoreland; enl. Aug. 13, '62; died, dis. Sept. 9, '64.

- Kelleher, Timothy. Co. G; age 33; enl. Dec. 8, '63; wd. and captd. Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; paroled Oct. 2, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Kenion, David Y. Co. B; age 26; res. Walpole, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 27, '62; wd. Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Kingsbury, Henry. Co. C; age 37; enl. Feb. 16, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Kinson, John Q. Co. G; age 18; res. Stoddard, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 14, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Knowlton, Charles. Co. A; age 24; enl. Sept. 1, '62; died, dis., Jan. 20, '63, Poolesville, Md.
- Leach, James. Co. C; age 27; enl. Aug. 18, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Leonard, Henry O. Co. E; age 26; enl. Feb. 16, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Lettenmayer, Otto. Co. G; age 30; enl. Aug. 30, '62; disch. disab. Oct. 13, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Levoy, Henry E. Co. G; age 18; enl. Dec. 12, '63; disch. July 8, '65.
- Lewis, William H. Co. G; age 29; enl. Aug. 29, '62; disch. May 12, '65.
- Lyford, Jeremiah, Jr. Co. C; age 36; enl. Aug. 26, '62; must. in as 1st sergt.; reduced to ranks and app. sergt. same day, May 1, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Mangan, Dennis. Co. H; age 23; enl. July 28, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Marvin, Edwin. Co. G; age 21; enl. Sept. 3, '62; died, dis., Dec. 15, '62, Offutt's Cross Roads, Md.
- Mitchell, John E. Co. A; age 34; enl. Dec. 8, '63; must. out July 8, '65. See Sixth N. H. V.
- Nims, George H. Co. F; age 24; res. Winchester, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 13, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- O'Brien, William D. Co. G; age 20; enl. Dec. 8, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
- Parker, John A. Co. C; age 36; enl. Aug. 28, '62; disch. June 21, '65.
- Parker, Luther M. Co. C; age 41; enl. Aug. 7, '62; app. sergt. Nov. 1, '64; died, dis., June 30, '65, Savannah, Ga.
- Parker, William H. Co. G; age 18; enl. Sept. 4, '62; transf. to V. R. C. July 1, '64; disch. April 28, '65, to accept promotion. See Second N. H. V. and miscel. org.
- Putnam, Edwin F. Co. G; age 31; enl. Aug. 28, '62; transf. to V. R. C. Jan. 1, '65; disch. June 30, '65, Washington, D. C.
- Reynolds, Eli W. Co. C; age 44; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 15, '62; must. in as wagoner; disch. disab. Aug. 12, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Richardson, David L. Co. A; age 28; enl. Sept. 13, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Richardson, George D. Non-com. staff; age 21; enl. Oct. 1, '62; must. in as hosp. steward; app. 1st lieut. Co. B Jan. 4, '65; must. out July 8, '65.
- Riley, Martin. Co. G; age 23; enl. Aug. 31, '62; disch. June 8, '65.
- Riley, Michael. Co. G; age 35; enl. Aug. 31, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Roundy, Franklin W. Co. B; age 18; res. Walpole, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 30, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Rugg, Sewall F. Co. E; age 26; enl. Feb. 17, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 8, '65.

- Russell, James W. Co. G; age 27; enl. Aug. 28, '62; must. in as sergt.; app. com. sergt. Nov. 30, '64, 2d lieutenant. Co. E, Jan. 4, '65; app. 1st lieutenant. Co. I, Feb. 17, '65, not must.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Ryan, John. Co. G; age 25; enl. Aug. 12, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Ryan, William. Unassigned; age 21; b. Keene; cred. Gilmanton; enl. Jan. 19, '64; reported as sent to regt; no farther record.
- Sebastian, William, Jr. Co. C; age 25; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 12, '62; must. in as corp.; reduced to the ranks March 1, '65; must. out July 8, '65.
- Slyfield, Daniel. Co. C; age 20; enl. Aug. 26, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Slyfield, Franklin. Co. C; age 34; enl. Aug. 18, '62; disch. July 8, '65.
- Smith, Marcus M. Co. G; age 22; enl. Aug. 29, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Smith, Royal W. Co. G; age 26; enl. Aug. 29, '62; disch. disab. June 5, '65, Concord.
- Smith, Samuel M. Co. G; age 29; enl. Dec. 18, '63; disch. March 10, '64, to accept promotion. See Third N. H. V., and U. S. colored troops.
- Smith, William. Co. C; age 22; enl. Aug. 26, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Spaulding, Dauphin, 2d. Co. C; age 35; enl. Aug. 18, '62; died, dis. Feb. 7, '64, Washington, D. C.
- Staples, Henry M. Co. A; age 19; enl. Aug. 14, '62; must. as musc.; app. principal musc. Oct. 30, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Steck, Friedrich. Co. G; age 30; enl. Aug. 11, '62; disch. to date July 8, '65, Savannah, Ga. See First N. H. V.
- Stone, William W. Co. C; age 26; b. Keene; res. Swanzey, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 18, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Sturtevant, John W. Co. G; age 22; enl. Aug. 31, '62; must. as sergt.; app. 1st sergt. May 1, '63, 2d lieutenant. Oct. 17, '63, 1st lieutenant. Jan. 1, '64; wd. twice Sept. 19, '64, Opequan, Va.; app. capt. Jan. 4, '65; disch. disab. Jan. 18, '65, before being must. as capt.; restored to command and must. as capt. to date Feb. 18, '65; must. out July 8, '65.
- Sullivan, Kerry. Co. G; age 18; enl. Dec. 8, '63; app. 2d lieutenant. Co. H, Sept. 24, '64; not must.; disch. as private Aug. 19, '65.
- Sumner, David. Co. G; age 44; enl. Aug. 30, '62; disch. disab. July 20, '63, Washington, D. C. See Second N. H. V.
- Thayer, William H. Field and staff; age 40; app. surg. Sept. 19, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Thompson, Cyrus H. Co. C; age 42; enl. Aug. 28, '62; disch. May 12, '63, Washington, D. C.
- Totten, James. Co. C; age 33; res. Marlboro; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 30, '62; must. out July 8, '65. See First N. H. V.
- Wardwell, George O. Co. A; age 18; res. Sullivan, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 16, '62; app. corp. Jan. 1, '65; must. out July 8, '65.
- Warn, William W. Co. B; age 28; enl. Dec. 8, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
- Webster, Charles F. Co. G; age 26; res. Jaffrey, after the war, Keene; app. 1st lieutenant. Oct. 9, '62; app. Q. M. Oct. 16, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
- Wetherbee, Edward H. Co. B; age 18; enl. Dec. 8, '63; must. out July 8, '65.
- Wheeler, Charles W. Co. F; age 18; enl. Sept. 1, '62; transf. to Co. C, Nov. 1, '62; must. out July 8, '65.

- Whitney, Leonard F. Co. D; age 18; b. Nelson, cred. Keene; enl. March 9, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 8, '65.
- Whittemore, Curtis A. Co. A; age 18; res. Keene; cred. Troy; enl. Aug. 15, '62; must. out July 8, '65.
- Willard, Lucius S. Co. G; age 19; enl. Aug. 28, '62; disch. June 28, '65.
- Wilson, Jesse. Co. F; age 44; res. Stoddard, cred. Keene; enl. Sept. 1, '62; disch. disab. Oct. 20, '63, Washington, D. C. See Eighth N. H. V. and V. R. C.
- Wilson, Robert. Field and staff; age 51; app. col. Sept. 19, '62; disch. Sept. 6, '64.
- Wood, Henry A. Co. F; age 18; res. Winchester, after the war, Keene; enl. Aug. 12, '62; app. corp. Oct. 1, '64; must. out July 8, '65.
- Woodward, John A. Co. G; age 21; res. Surry, cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 27, '62; must. as corp.; died, dis., Aug. 18, '64, New York city.
- Wright, Daniel. Co. G; age 33; enl. Dec. 26, '63; must. out July 8, '65. See Second N. H. V.

FIFTEENTH, SIXTEENTH AND SEVENTEENTH REGIMENTS.

The Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth New Hampshire Volunteers were nine months regiments, organized in the fall of 1862, but no citizen of Keene enlisted in either of them except Stephen H. French, who was mustered into the Sixteenth Nov. 13, '62; mustered out Aug. 20, '63, and enlisted in the Ninth New Hampshire Volunteers.

TOWN AFFAIRS.

At the annual meeting in 1863 the town voted to appropriate \$5,500 to aid the families of volunteers. It was also:

(Art. 21) "Voted. To advise the Selectmen to sell the timber suitable for sale on the ministerial lot in Keene, and add the proceeds thereof to the Ministerial Fund."

(Art. 22) "Voted. To instruct the Selectmen to prevent the cutting of wood on said lot until the same is of suitable size for use."

(Art. 23) "Voted. To advise the Selectmen to divide and pay over in equal sums to the several clergymen residing and officiating in town, the interest and annual income of the Ministerial Fund during the time they suspend the cutting of wood on said lot."

In 1863 the government resorted to a draft to obtain the number of men needed for its service. The number enrolled for that purpose in Keene, of the first class, was 410; of the second class, 212. The draft rendezvous for the Third New Hampshire congressional district was at

West Lebanon, and the drawing was made under the direction of the officers of the draft, by Rev. Jacob Scales, of Plainfield, seventy-five years old, blindfolded. Four hundred and ten names of citizens of Keene were put in the box, and 123 were drawn out. Their names appear in the New Hampshire Sentinel of Sept. 10 of that year. Some were rejected on physical examination, and the names of those actually liable to go appear in the Sentinel of Oct. 15, 1863. A few went into the service, and their names appear in the records of their respective regiments, but most of them hired substitutes. A second call for drafted men came in November, and Keene's quota was fifty-eight men. On the 1st of September the town voted to the drafted men or their substitutes \$300 each, and to their families the same as the volunteers; and on the 26th the selectmen were authorized to borrow money for those purposes, not to exceed \$25,000. A town meeting on the 25th of November:

“Voted That the town make an effort to fill the quota of the town by enlistments.”

“Voted That the Selectmen of the town of Keene be authorized to fill our present town quota to the best advantage they can by advancing the State and National bounties and a Town bounty of to citizens of the town three hundred dollars, and a town bounty not exceeding three hundred dollars, to persons not citizens of the town.”

It was also voted to authorize the selectmen to borrow money for those purposes, not to exceed \$45,000; and in February following \$8,000 were added to that sum.

At the annual town meeting in 1864, the vote for the Union candidates in the state was increased in Keene by 122 over that of the preceding year. A small part of this increase was caused by the growth of population in the town. Five representatives were sent to the legislature, an increase of one in seven years. The sum of \$3,000 was appropriated to aid the “wives, children and parents,” of volunteers; and \$5,000 were raised towards paying the town debts and interest.

On the 25th of March, the boiler in the chair manufactory of Osborne & Hale on Mechanic street exploded,

injuring twelve persons, seven of them severely, two of whom, William H. Lang and Salmon G. Metcalf, died. Nims & Crossfield were making sash, doors and blinds in the same buildings. The damage to the property was estimated at \$10,000 to \$15,000.

In June the town voted a bounty of \$400 to each volunteer or enrolled person who should furnish a substitute to be credited on the quota of the town; and to borrow a sum not exceeding \$18,000 for that purpose. In August, under the call of President Lincoln for 500,000 men, it voted \$300 bounty to volunteers for one year, \$600 to those for two years, and \$900 to those for three years; and to borrow for that purpose a sum not exceeding \$18,000. On the 29th of the same month \$600 were voted to volunteers for one year, \$700 to those for two years, and \$900 to those for three years, to complete the quota of the town; and \$10,000 were raised and appropriated for that purpose. On the 15th of September the town voted to pay \$150 to each citizen of Keene who had been in the naval service and had "been counted on the present quota for the call for five hundred thousand men;" and on the 10th of December the selectmen were authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding \$30,000 to carry out the votes of the town for bounties.

At the presidential election in November, Keene cast 652 votes for the Lincoln electors to 317 for those of the opposition; and on the 17th, 350 Union men sat down to a supper at the Cheshire House in thanksgiving for the political victory.

The hopes and expectations raised by the victories of Gettysburg and Vicksburg in 1863 had been seriously diminished by repeated calls for more troops, by the resort to a draft, and by the defeat at Chickamauga in September of that year. Recruiting offices for volunteers for the regiments already in the field had been kept active in Keene, and early in 1864 Thomas C. Edwards opened one for the New Hampshire Volunteer Cavalry; and there were others for the 18th New Hampshire Volunteers and other organizations.

EIGHTEENTH REGIMENT.

The Eighteenth regiment of volunteers was raised in the summer of 1864 under the call of the president for volunteers for one year. In October, six companies (A to F) joined the army at City Point, Va. In February and March following, three companies (G, H and I) joined the first detachment in time to take part in the closing scenes of the war. The nine companies were present at the recapture of Fort Steadman, in March, 1865, and were stationed at that fort until April 3, when the battalion entered Petersburg with the army. It was afterwards organized as a regiment, with Thomas L. Livermore promoted from major of the Fifth regiment, colonel; performed provost duty at Washington and vicinity, and was mustered out in June and July, 1865.

Following are the members of this regiment from Keene, who may be understood to be privates unless otherwise stated:

- Amadon, Frank E. Co. I; age 18; cred. Troy; res. after the war, Keene; enl. March 1, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 29, '65.
- Beverstock, Daniel O. Co. F; age 22; res. Nelson, after the war, Keene; enl. Sept. 27, '64, for 1 yr.; must. as sergt.; must. out June 10, '65. See Sixteenth N. H. V.
- Carroll, Joseph A. Co. A; age 19; enl. Sept. 5, '64, for 1 yr.; must. out June 10, '65.
- Dodge, Fred. Co. D; age 21; enl. Sept. 1, '64, for 1 yr.; disch. June 30, '65.
- Gould, Nathan. Co. A; age 44; cred. Hinsdale; res. after the war, Keene; enl. Sept. 9, '64, for 1 yr.; must. out June 10, '65.
- Howard, William H. Co. A; age 20; enl. Sept. 5, '64, for 1 yr.; must. out June 10, '65.
- Sawyer, Charles C. Co. A; age 18; enl. Sept. 5, '64, for 1 yr.; must. out June 10, '65.
- Ward, Richard W. Co. B; age 19; res. Lebanon, after the war, Keene; enl. Sept. 13, '64, for 1 yr.; must. out June 10, '65.

FIRST CAVALRY.

New Hampshire had furnished, in 1861, four companies—I, K, L and M—of the First New England (Rhode Island) Volunteer Cavalry. In February, 1864, those companies returned to Concord to recruit for a regiment to be named the First New Hampshire Volunteer Cavalry. Companies A, B and C were soon raised and the two

battalions of seven companies proceeded to Washington in April, joined the Army of the Potomac, and after participating as infantry in engagements at Hanover Court House and Cold Harbor, were mounted and assigned to the Third division of the cavalry corps. After being engaged in the battle of White Oak Swamp, June 13, they went with their division on "Wilson's raid," were engaged with the enemy each day for seven days—losing seventy-one men killed, wounded and captured—and assisted in destroying seventy-five miles of railroad and large quantities of cotton and tobacco. In August the two battalions were sent to the Shenandoah valley. In the meantime the other five companies—D, E, F, G and H—were recruited in New Hampshire and went to the front towards the last of August. John L. Thompson was appointed colonel of the regiment, and the First and Second battalions served through Sheridan's campaign in the valley, but the Third battalion saw very little service. The regiment was mustered out July 15, 1865.

Following are the records of Keene men, being privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated:

Bailey, George. Co. C; age 25; res. Keene; cred. Roxbury; enl. April 5, '64; app. corp.; sergt. July 1, '64; must. out July 15, '65.

Dinsmoor, George R. Field and staff; age 24; app. assist. surg. March 13, '65, not must. See miscel. org.

Draper, Frank. Co. K; age 22; enl. Feb. 23, '64; must. out July 15, '65.

Edwards, Thomas C. Co. I; age 20; app. 2d lieut. March 16, '64, 1st lieut. Feb. 23, '65; must. out July 15, '65.

Ellis, Lewis. Co. K; age 18; enl. March 4, '64; must. out July 15, '65.

Estabrook, Aaron G. Co. D; age 37; b. Keene; res. Concord; enl. Aug. 17, '64; app. sergt.; disch. May 20, '65. See Eighth N. H. V.

Fifield, Edwin F. Co. M; age 18; enl. Feb. 23, '64; must. out July 15, '65.

Griffith, Joseph E. Co. K; age 19; enl. Feb. 23, '64; wd. Sept. 22, '64, Milford, Va.; app. corp. April 1, '65; must. out July 15, '65.

Hunt, Ferdinand K. Co. F; age 23; enl. March 7, '65, for 1 yr.; app. corp.; must. out July 15, '65.

Kimball, Samuel H. Co. C; age 18; res. Hinsdale, after the war, Keene; enl. March 31, '64; disch. June 5, '65.

Nash, Eugene P. Co. C; age 19; res. Gilsum, after the war, Keene; enl. April 9, '64; must. out July 15, '65.

Safford, Leavitt. Co. F; age 20; res. Chesterfield, after the war, Keene; enl. March 16, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 15, '65.

Vanness, Joseph. Co. K; age 40; enl. Feb. 29, '64; app. corp.; must. out July 15, '65.

- Wardwell, Olin N. Co. F; age 19; b. Nelson; res. Keene; enl. March 8, '65, for 1 yr.; must. out July 15, '65.
- Willard, W. Henry. Co. K; age 18; enl. Feb. 27, '64; capt'd. Dec. 21, '64, Lacey's Springs, Va.; paroled Feb. 22, '65; died, dis. March 31, '65, Annapolis, Md.
- Yardley, Manley R. Co. K; age 21; b. Nelson; cred. Keene; enl. Feb. 23, '64; wd. June 13, '64, White Oak Swamp, Va.; app. bugler, Jan. 1, '65; must. out July 15, '65.

FIRST HEAVY ARTILLERY.

Two companies of heavy artillery were organized in New Hampshire in 1863, and served at Fort Constitution and Kittery Point. In the summer of 1864 a regiment of twelve companies of that arm was authorized to be raised in the state, of which those two companies became a part. That regiment was employed in the defences of Washington, and was mustered out June 15, 1865. Seven men from Keene served in its ranks:

- Garfield, William A. Co. B; age 25; enl. Aug. 29, '63; disch. disab. Sept. 29, '64, Concord.
- Howard, Austin E. Co. B; age 29; enl. Aug. 13, '63; must. as sergt.; app. 2d lieut. July 25, '65, not must.; must. out Sept. 11, '65.
- Howard, Walter. Co. H; age 18; enl. Sept. 5, '64, for 1 yr.; must. out June 15, '65.
- Kingsbury, Edward A. Co. H; age 25; res. Surry, after the war, Keene; enl. Sept. 2, '64, for 1 yr.; app. corp.; must. out June 15, '65. See Sixth N. H. V.
- Nims, Samuel. Co. H; age 27; b. Sullivan; cred. Newport; res. after the war, Keene; enl. Sept. 4, '64, for 1 yr.; app. hospital steward Nov. 9, '64; must. out June 15, '65.
- Parker, Clinton J. Co. H; age 18; b. Nelson; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 31, '64, for 1 yr.; must. out June 15, '65.
- Tuttle, Norman A. Co. B; age 29; enl. Aug. 13, '63; must. as sergt.; app. sergt. major Nov. 14, '64; must. out June 15, '65.

SHARPSHOOTERS.

Three men from Keene enlisted in Col. Berdan's regiment of sharpshooters:

- Kingman, Albert H. Age 27; enl. Aug. 28, '61; must. out Sept. 9, '64.
- Kingsbury, Reuel H. Age 29; enl. Aug. 30, '61; disch. disab. Dec. 24, '62, Falmouth, Va.
- Nye, Charles H. Age 24; enl. Aug. 28, '61; app. corp.; app. sergt. Jan. 1, '63; disch. Sept. 8, '64, near Petersburg, Va., term exp.

UNITED STATES COLORED TROOPS.

Three men from Keene held commissions in the United States colored troops:

- Healey, Daniel K. From Fourteenth N. H. V.; Sixth Infantry; app. 2d lieut. Aug. 28, '63, 1st. lieut. Oct. 13, '64; wd. Feb. 11, '65, near Fort Fisher, N. C.; disch. Nov. 17, '65.

- Hurd, Warren H. From Second N. H. V.; Co. A, Twenty-third Infantry; must. in as 1st lieut. Dec. 18, '63, capt. Co. H., Aug. 9, '64; must. out Nov. 30, '65.
- Smith, Samuel M. From Fourteenth N. H. V.; age 29; app. capt. Co. H, Thirty-second Infantry March 18, '64; must. out Aug. 22, '65. See Third N. H. V.

VETERAN RESERVE CORPS.

Early in 1863 an "Invalid Corps" was organized by the war department—the name afterward changed to "Veteran Reserve Corps"—consisting of officers and men who had been discharged on account of wounds or sickness and desired to reënter the service. The more able-bodied and effective ones were employed in guard and provost duty; those more enfeebled in hospitals, as cooks, nurses and orderlies. The names of those from Keene are given below, being privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated:

- Britton, John L. From Second N. H. V.; res. after the war, Keene and Surry; enl. Dec. 15, '63; disch. disab. May 27, '65, Concord.
- Carroll, Thomas. From Sixth N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 16, '63; disch. disab. Oct. 26, '64, Washington, D. C.
- Clement, Benjamin F. From Sixth N. H. V.; enl. Sept. 2, '64; disch. disab. Dec. 20, '64.
- Crown, Andrew J. From Fifth N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 11, '63; disch. Nov. 13, '65, Concord.
- Dunlap, Whitney. From Second N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 22, '63; disch. disab. June 3, '64, Concord.
- Heaton, George S. From Second N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 11, '63; disch. disab. Nov. 28, '64, Concord.
- Houghton, Abel. From Fifth N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 22, '63; disch. disab. July 24, '65, Washington, D. C.
- Jolley, Joseph. From Ninth N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 11, '63; disch. disab. Oct. 21, '64, Concord.
- Pressler, Christian. From Second N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 11, '63; app. corp. Dec. 16, '64; app. sergt. May 2, '65; disch. Nov. 13, '65, Concord.
- Rahn, William. From Sixth N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 23, '63; disch. Nov. 15, '65, Boston.
- Smith, James H. From Sixth N. H. V.; enl. Sept. 2, '64; disch. Nov. 14, '65, Washington, D. C.
- Starkey, Joseph S. From Sixth N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 11, '63; disch. disab. May 16, '65, Concord.
- Sumner, Alonzo D. From Second N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 31, '63; disch. disab. May 16, '65, Concord.
- Thompson, Henry A. From Second N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 11, '63; app. corp.; disch. Nov. 13, '65.
- White, Shubael. From Second and Sixth N. H. V.; enl. Dec. 29, '63; disch. disab. Oct. 1, '64, Concord.

UNITED STATES NAVY.

Eleven men from Keene served in the United States navy, as follows:

- Bates, Frederick W. Age 19; enl. Aug. 9, '62, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Ohio, Princeton, Juniata and Hendrick Hudson, disch. Sept. 2, '63, term exp.
- Bates, Frederick W. Age 20; enl. Sept. 2, '64, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Vandalia, Beauregard and Somerset; disch., reduction of naval force, June 27, '65.
- Cawley, George. Age 21; b. Keene; enl. at Boston, May 11, '61, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Ohio, Massachusetts and Mississippi, where he last appears on roll Mar. 15, '63.
- Darling, J. Homer. App. act. asst. surg. Dec. 4, '63; served on U. S. ships Ohio, Clyde and Pursuit; disch. Dec. 12, '65. See miscel. org.
- Drummer, Charles H. Age 23; enl. Aug. 9, '62, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Ohio and Housatonic; disch. disab. Sept. 21, '63. See First and Fourth N. H. V.
- Gilson, Edward. Age 35; b. Keene; enl. at Boston, Jan. 13, '62, as seaman, for 2 yrs.; served on U. S. ships Ohio and Kearsarge; disch. Jan. 26, '63, from the Kearsarge.
- Gregory, Frank. Age 30; b. Keene; enl. at Chicago, Dec. 15, '62, for 1 yr., as hospital steward; served on U. S. ship Curlew; disch. disab. Sept. 1, '63.
- Hayes, Joseph R. Age 19; b. Maine; cred. Keene; enl. Aug. 10, '64, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships North Carolina and Fort Jackson; disch. Aug. 18, '64. See Fourteenth N. H. V. and miscel. org.
- Hunt, Ferdinand K. Age 21; enl. Aug. 9, '62, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Ohio and Mohican; disch. May 11, '64, term exp. See First N. H. Cav.
- Kellogg, James B. Age 22; enl. Aug. 23, '62, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Ohio, Princeton and Mohican; disch. May 11, '64, term exp.
- Lang, William H. Age 21; enl. Aug. 9, '62, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Ohio and Housatonic; disch. Sept. 17, '63; died, at Keene, March 25, '64.
- Mason, Andrew R. Age 28; enl. Sept. 27, '62, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Ohio and San Jacinto; disch. Feb. 6, '64, term exp.
- Prentiss, George A. Regular officer. B. Keene; res. Keene; app. midshipman March 21, '25; passed midshipman June 4, '31; lieut. Feb. 9, '37; commander Sept. 14, '55; retired Oct. 24, '64; app. commodore; retired Sept. 26, '66; died April 8, '68, in South Carolina.
- Sebastian, Samuel. Age 23; b. Keene; enl. at Boston, Aug. 9, '62, for 1 yr., as landsman; served on U. S. ships Ohio and Mohican; disch. May 14, '64, term exp.

MISCELLANEOUS ORGANIZATIONS.

The names of citizens of Keene who served in various New Hampshire organizations not already mentioned, or in those of other states, or the United States, and those

who rose to higher than regimental rank, are as follows, being privates and residents of Keene unless otherwise stated:

- Borden, Augustin. Co. F; Fifty-seventh Mass. Inf.; age 18; res. Keene; cred. Windsor, Mass.; enl. March 18, '64, for 3 yrs.; wd.; must. out July 30, '65.
- Boyle, George A. Co. C, First R. I. Light Art.; age 29; enl. Aug. 25, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. as artificer; disch. Aug. 27, '64.
- Cady, Albemarle. Sixth Inf. U. S. army; b. Keene, 1809; res. New Hampshire; cadet, West Point Military Academy, July 1, 1825; app. 2d lieut. July 1, '29, 1st lieut. Dec. 31, '36, capt. July 7, '38, bvt. major Sept. 8, '47, for gallant and meritorious service in the battle of Molino del Rey; app. major Sixth Inf. Jan. 27, '53, lieut. col. Seventh Inf. June 6, '61, col. Eighth Inf. Oct. 20, '63; retired May 18, '64; bvt. brig. gen. U. S. army March 13, '65, for long and faithful service in the army. (Died Mar. 14, '88, New Haven, Ct.)
- Campbell, James. Co. H, Eighth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 19; enl. July 16, '64, for 100 days; must. out Nov. 10, '64.
- Carlin, Thomas P. Twelfth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 22; b. Keene; res. Keene; cred. Brookline, Mass.; enl. Sept. 25, '63; must. out June 29, '65.
- Carter, Solon A. U. S. Vols.; b. Leominster, Mass.; res. Keene; age 27; app. capt., assistant adjutant general, July 15, '64; resigned July 3, '65; bvt. major and lt. col. to date March 13, '65, for gallant and meritorious services during the war. See Fourteenth N. H. V.
- Clapp, William M. Co. G, Fifth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 26; res. Marlborough, Mass., after the war Keene; enl. April 19, '61, for 3 mos.; must. out July 31, '61, term exp.
- Cross, Charles R. R. I. Co., First New Eng. Cav.; age 23; enl. Dec. 11, '61, for 3 yrs.; app. corp.; captd. June 18, '63; exch.; reenl. Jan 5, '64; must. out Aug. 3, '65.
- Darling, J. Homer. Field and staff; Fifty-first Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 24; res. Rindge, after the war, Keene; app. assistant surg. Nov. 4, '62; must. in for 9 mos.; must. out July 27, '63. See U. S. navy.
- Dickinson, Elmer F. Twenty-third Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 21; b. Keene; res. Swanzey; enl. July 28, '62, for 3 yrs; app. corp.; wd. May 16, '64; died, wds. June 18, '64, New York.
- Dickinson, James W. Twenty-third Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 16; b. Keene; res. Swanzey; enl. for 3 yrs.; must. in July 30, '62; disch. disab. May 28, '63.
- Dinsmoor, George R. Field and staff; Twentieth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 24; app. assist. surg. March 31, '65; disch. July 15, '65. See First N. H. Cav.
- Farwell, Miles. Field and staff; Sixty-first Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 34; app. Q. M. Sept. 22, '64; transf. to Co. D, as 1st lieut.; to Co. E; must. out June 4, '65.
- Fowler, Eugene A. Eighth Mass. Vol. Inf; age 19; enl. July 15, '64; must. out Nov. 10, '64.
- Griffin, Simon G. U. S. V.; age 39; res. Concord, after the war, Keene; app. brig. gen. May 12, '64, bvt. maj. gen. April 2, '65, for gallant and meritorious conduct in the assault from Fort Sedgwick, Va.; must. out Aug. 24, '65. See Second and Sixth N. H. V.
- Handy, George E. First Inf. U. S. Vols; age 20; app. 2d lieut. Aug. 28, '64; must. out May 10, '66. See Fifth N. H. V.
- Hatch, Frank E. Co. A, Fifteenth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 18; enl. July 30, '61, for 3 yrs.; transf. to I. C. Feb. 15, '64; no further record.

- Hayes, Joseph R. Co. H, Eleventh Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 18; enl. Sept. 1, '61, for 3 yrs.; capt'd. Feb. '62; paroled; disch. May 22, '62; supposed identical with Joseph B. Hayes, Fourteenth N. H. V. See U. S. navy.
- Henry, James, Jr. Co. G, First R. I. Vol. Inf.; age 25; enl. April 17, '61, for 3 mos.; app. sergt.; must. out Aug. 2, '61, term exp.
- Holmes, George. Co. B, Twenty-eighth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 21; enl. March 15, '64, for 3 yrs.; reported on roll June 30, '65, as absent sick since April 30, '64; no further record.
- Kidder, James F. Co. E, Thirtieth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 24; enl. Oct. 7, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. in as sergt.; wd. July 13, '63; reenl. Jan. 1, '64, cred. Boston, Mass.; app. 1st sergt. Jan. 1, '64; wd. Oct. 24, '64; app. com. sergt. March 20, '65, 2d lieutenant. April 2, '65, 1st lieutenant. Jan. 25, '66; must. out July 5, '66.
- Lamson, John L. Co. I, Twenty-fifth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 43; enl. Oct. 2, '61, for 3 yrs.; died June 1, '62, Newberne, N. C.
- O'Brien, James, Jr. Co. H, Twenty-third Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 19; enl. July 18, '62, for 3 yrs.; wd. Dec. 16, '62; disch. disab. April 15, '63.
- O'Brien, John. Co. I, Twenty-eighth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 19; enl. Oct. 13, '61, for 3 yrs.; wd. June 16, '62; disch. disab. Jan. 24, '63. See Fourteenth N. H. V.
- Parker, William H. Co. I, Sixth U. S. Vol. Inf.; age 20; app. 2d lieutenant. April 23, '65, bvt. 1st lieutenant.; disch. Oct. 15, '66. See Second and Fourteenth N. H. V.
- Rines, George W. Co. D, Tenth Vt. Vols.; age 24; enl. July 14, '62; must. as sergt.; reduced to the ranks Jan. 17, '63; transf. to I. C. Sept. 1, '62; disch. July 12, '65. See First N. H. V.
- Robbins, Isaiah, Jr. Read's Co. Third Mass. Cav.; age 22; enl. Sept. 27, '61, for 3 yrs.; must. as corp.; disch. disab. July 15, '62, New Orleans. See Fifth N. H. V.
- Twitchell, George B. U. S. V.; app. major and surgeon Jan. 7, '63; disch. Oct. 15, '63. See Thirteenth N. H. V.
- Wheeler, Solon. Co. I, Twenty-fifth Mass. Vol. Inf.; age 18; enl. Oct. 1, '61, for 3 yrs.; reenl. Dec. 17, '63; cred. Berlin, Mass.; must. out July 13, '65.

The military records, so far as can be ascertained, of natives of Keene, or residents of the town in early life, who served in organizations of other states and whose names are not on New Hampshire rolls, are as follows:

- Briggs, Joseph W. Born in Keene, in business here when a young man; res. Chicago, Ill.
- Burt, William H. Admitted to practice as a lawyer in Keene, 1855; res. St. Paul, Minn.; enl. Aug. 7, '62, in Seventh Minn. Vol. Inf.; app. capt. Aug. 21, '62; app. major Nov. 3, '63; served in the Southwest, in the Sixteenth corps; must. out Aug. 16, '65.
- Dean, Bradley. Born in Keene, 1840; res. Boston; enl. May, '62, in Thirty-third Mass. Vol. Inf.; app. 1st lieutenant. July 1, '62; transf. to Forty-first Mass. Inf. Nov. 27, '62; sent to New Orleans;—regt. changed to Third Mass. Cavalry June 17, '63;—app. capt. Co. L Sept. 1, '63; wd. sev., Port Hudson; joined Sheridan's army in Shenandoah valley in 1864; wd. sev., Cedar Creek; must. out Dec. 27, '64, Boston, Mass.

The military records, so far as can be ascertained, of those who are at present or have for many years been

citizens of Keene, who served in organizations of other states, or of the United States, and whose names do not appear on the New Hampshire rolls, are as follows:

Adams, William H.; Sixteenth Vt. Inf.—Aiken, Enoch; First Vt. Cav.—Baker, Edward; Eleventh Vt. Inf.—Banyea, Lewis; Fifth Vt. Inf.—Bissell, Emerson E.; Fifty-third Mass. Inf.—Bouvier, Peter; Fifth Vt. Inf.—Bryant, Calvin R.; Twenty-seventh Mass. Inf.—Casey, John; Seventh Vt. Inf.—Chandler, William B.; Third Vt. Inf.—Chandler, Wilbur F.; Fifteenth Vt. Inf.—Clark, M. V. B.; Sixteenth Vt. Inf.; enl. Aug. 12, '62; app. sergt.; prom. to 1st sergt. March 1, '63; must. out Sept. 10, '63.—Collins, William L.; Sixteenth N. Y. H. Art.—Crocker, George H.; Twenty-ninth U. S. H. Art.—Darling, La Forrest C.; Twelfth Vt. Inf.—Derby, Webster D.; Second Vt. Inf.—Dickinson, Daniel; Fifteenth Mass. Inf.—Dow, George C.; Fifth Vt. Inf.—Edson, Albert A.; Second Mass. H. Art.—Foskett, Liberty W.; Thirty-sixth Mass. Inf.; enl. Aug. 2, '62; age 22; prom. to corp.; sergt., 1st sergt. and 2d lieut., but not must. as latter; must. out as 1st sergt. June 8, '65.—Gates, Horace G.; Fifteenth Vt. Inf.—Goodwin, Charles L.; Fifteenth Mass. Inf.—Gould, George W.; Ninth Vt. Inf.—Graves, Willard R.; Fourteenth Vt. Inf.—Griffith, Henry L.; First R. I. Battery.—Griswold, Francis D.; First Mass. H. Art.—Harvey, James G.; Seventh R. I. Inf.—Hersey, Charles H.; U. S. navy.—Irish, Horace N.; First Vt. Cav.—Johnson, Charles L.; Ninth Vt. Inf.—King, David C.; Fifteenth Vt. Inf.—King, John; Ninth Vt. Inf.—King, Wallace A.; Seventh R. I. Inf.—Kingsbury, George S.; Sixteenth Vt. Inf.—Kirk, Reuben S.; Tenth Vt. Inf.—Knapp, Clark A.; Second Mass. H. Art.—Leahey, Thomas F.; unassigned Vt.—Lesure, John G.; Eighth Vt. Inf.—Merrill, Solomon F.; Fourth Vt. Inf.; musician.—Metcalf, Albert W.; Twelfth Vt. Inf.—Morse, Levi M. (or W.); U. S. navy.—Morrill, Josiah M.; Fifteenth Mass. Inf.—Murdoch, Oliver P.; Seventh Vt. Inf.—Olcott, Brainerd T.; Eighth Vt. Inf.—Parker, Addison L.; Thirty-second Mass. Inf.—Pierce, Nelson J.; Thirty-sixth Mass. Inf.—Stiles, Ambrose A.; Fourth Vt. Inf.—Stiles, Lester K.; First Vt. Cav.—St. John, David; Second Vt. Light Battery.—Shedd, Charles W.; Fourteenth Vt. Inf., for 9 mos.; prom. to 1st sergt.; disch. exp. term; reenl. 1st Vt. Cav., to end of war.—Stowell, Martin A.; Third Vt. Inf.—Thomas, William B.; Second Vt. Inf.—Wheeler, Wesley H.; U. S. navy.—Whipple, Alfred P.; Second Mass. Inf.—Wood, George C.; First Mass. Battery.—Wood, John E.; First Mass. H. Art.

TOWN AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

The year 1865 opened with the Confederate army still holding its lines before Petersburg with unyielding tenacity, with a call from President Lincoln for 300,000 more men for one, two and three years, and with brisk recruiting throughout the North. Frequent public meetings were held in Keene to encourage enlistments and to provide

money for hiring recruits and for aiding the families of volunteers. The paper currency of the government was so depreciated that gold sold at a premium of more than two hundred per cent, and prices of commodities were enormously high; but that depreciation compelled large issues of paper money, made it plentiful among the people, and provided an excellent opportunity for paying off indebtedness; and business of nearly all kinds was exceedingly profitable—in that currency. Heavy income and other special taxes were levied for carrying on the war, and bonds were issued which the people promptly took (the earlier ones at a discount from their face value), to aid the government. Nearly a million dollars' worth of those bonds were taken by the three banks in Keene—each of which adopted the United States regulation and became a national bank—and by individuals through those banks. The Cheshire bank was made a United States depository and received and transmitted internal revenue to the amount of nearly \$700,000 during this year and the ones following it under the operation of that law.

At the annual meeting the town raised and appropriated ten thousand dollars towards paying town debts and interest, and three thousand dollars to aid the families of volunteers. The Union candidate for member of congress received 614 votes in Keene to 240 for his opponent.

Petersburg and Richmond were taken on Sunday morning, April 2. The news reached Keene at noon on Monday, "and during the afternoon and evening our streets resounded with joyful noises. One hundred guns were fired in honor of the event, flags were displayed, drums beat, bonfires were kindled, and the din of jubilation was kept up till midnight." (Sentinel.) There was great rejoicing throughout the North. In the larger cities business was suspended, and there was scarcely a village of five hundred inhabitants in the loyal states that did not have its demonstrations of rejoicing. And these were supplemented by generous contributions to the sanitary and Christian commissions for the sick and wounded soldiers and suffering refugees.

Lee surrendered on the 9th of April. Upon the receipt of the news in Keene preparations were made for a grand jubilation, and on Friday evening the program was carried out as planned. "The village of Keene was probably never so generally and brilliantly illuminated as it was on Friday evening last, in honor of the recent splendid Union victories achieved in Virginia. The Court House, Hotels, Town Hall, and nearly all the stores, shops and dwelling houses were literally in a blaze. The streets were thronged with people from this and neighboring towns, and the fire companies from Keene, Troy, Ashuelot and Bellows Falls, bearing torches, marched through the principal streets, accompanied by the Ashburnham Band and other music. The fireworks prepared and managed by a gentleman from Boston, added much to the excitement and pleasure of the evening. The whole affair was eminently successful." (Sentinel, April 20.)

But at the very hour when that jubilation was in progress President Lincoln was assassinated. Rejoicing was at once turned into mourning. The next Wednesday, the 19th, was named by the national authorities as the day, and 12 o'clock, noon, the hour for the funeral obsequies of the beloved president to be held throughout the country. In Keene they were appropriately observed. Services were held in all the churches, which were draped in mourning as well as many of the residences, places of business were closed, minute guns were fired and bells tolled. At Rev. Dr. Barstow's church five persons were present who had attended the funeral services in honor of George Washington in the same church, in December, 1799. They were Hon. John Prentiss, Noah R. Cooke, Esq., and Mrs. Elijah Parker, daughter of Rev. Aaron Hall, of Keene; and Abijah Ellis and Mrs. Lucy Nims, widow of the late Matthew Nims, of Roxbury.

At its session in June the legislature passed "An Act to establish the City of Keene,"—subject to the vote of the town. It was published in full in the local papers and thoroughly discussed. At a legal meeting on the 19th of August the town voted not to adopt the act, 411 to 241.



RICHARDS, COLONY AND SHELLY & SAWYER BUILDINGS. DESTROYED BY FIRE IN 1865.

Richards, Colony and Shelly & Sawyer buildings. Destroyed by fire in 1865.

On the night of the 19th of October, 1865, the entire group of buildings on the east side of the Square, between the Cheshire House and the town hall, was destroyed by fire. It consisted of Richards's block (formerly Lamson's) on the corner of Roxbury street; the handsome iron front building of the Messrs. Colony, of the Cheshire Mills of Harrisville; and the Shelly and Sawyer block. The small wooden building owned by Thomas M. Edwards and occupied by the post office was demolished to save the town hall. It was believed that all except Richards's block, where the fire originated, might have been saved but for the failure of the supply of water. Many of the occupants lost heavily. The total loss was nearly \$70,000, about one-half of which was covered by insurance. The post office was removed to the northwest corner room in Elliot's block, on West street, now the Chinese laundry.

In November there was an escape of a convict from the jail in Keene so remarkable as to be worthy of record.

Mark Shinborn (Maximillian Schoenbein), an educated German, came to this country about 1860. He was then twenty-two years old, of agreeable manners, neatly dressed, a gambler, living in first-class hotels; and he became the ostensible owner of a fine farm and mansion near Saratoga, N. Y. He worked for a short term in the shops of the Lilly Safe Co. to learn the combination of locks. In November, 1864, he robbed the savings bank at Walpole, N. H., of about \$40,000—entering the house of B. F. Aldrich, the treasurer, and taking the keys from his pocket. He was arrested at Saratoga in May, 1865, and brought to Keene for trial, where he attracted much attention, particularly from young women. He was convicted and sentenced to the state prison for ten years. On the day of his sentence, when his supper was taken to him, he presented a revolver (given him by an accomplice after the conviction) and walked out of the jail, kept his pursuers at bay, passed through Beaver street and over Beech hill through the woods. He was rearrested at Malone, N. Y., and brought to Keene in February, 1866, and taken to the prison at Concord; but by the aid of friends outside he escaped in December of that year. In his robbery at Walpole he was

assisted by George Miles White, who kept a store at Westmoreland Depot—had kept a public house at Alstead—and was superintendent of a Sunday school at Westmoreland; and it was said that they were aided and abetted by Rev. Charles Greenwood, for three years a minister at Westmoreland, who was afterwards believed to be guilty of both arson and theft in Keene. White was tried with Shinborn, but the evidence was not sufficient to convict him. After his escape from the prison at Concord, Shinborn learned through his “pals” (who had already made one attempt to secure the booty, on the 5th of December) that a large sum of money was deposited in the Ashuelot bank at Keene. He came to Keene and spent several weeks, in all, boarding at the Cheshire House. In some way he secured impressions in wax of the keys of the bank—it is believed by entering the house of the cashier, as at Walpole, and taking the keys from his pocket—returned to New York and made his keys and came back for his booty. These operations required three several trips between New York and Keene to allay suspicion and prepare all his keys. The story of this burglary, as told by his accomplice, is that upon gaining entrance to the bank safe the first time he found only one thousand dollars in money; that being a “high-toned” robber he disdained to steal so paltry a sum, preferring to wait for the larger sum expected, and went away without creating suspicion; that upon a second entry he found so large a sum, in currency, that he did not dare burden himself with so bulky a package, and that, without taking any of it, he returned to New York to make arrangements for its removal, but other operations intervened, he had to evade the officers of the law, and he never got the money.

He committed many other robberies, among them that of the Ocean bank, New York, where he secured, according to report, about one million dollars and escaped detection. He then went to Europe, lived in Brussels, bought the title of count, gambled away his fortune, took to robbery again, was arrested and sent to prison for fourteen years, but was pardoned in less than four years for divulging the name of his accomplice, an American. He caused the

report of his death to be circulated, came back to this country and renewed his robberies, was arrested by the Pinkerton agency in 1895, tried, convicted, and sentenced to prison for four years and eight months. At the expiration of that term—then sixty-eight years old—he was re-arrested for the Walpole robbery and recommitted to the prison at Concord, where he is at the present time serving out his term;—although he claims that he is not Mark Shinborn.

The civil war ended, practically, with the surrender of Lee, and as the financial and other matters connected with that war were summed up at the close of 1865, it was found that Keene was in debt for money borrowed to aid the Union cause, in addition to all that had been currently raised and expended for that purpose, \$100,868.50. The amount of bounties the town had paid to soldiers was \$110,984, and to aid the families of soldiers \$40,515.86, the most of the latter sum being reimbursed by the state. "The town furnished 584 men for the army during the war, of which number forty-eight residents of Keene died in the service." (Sentinel, March 8, 1866.)