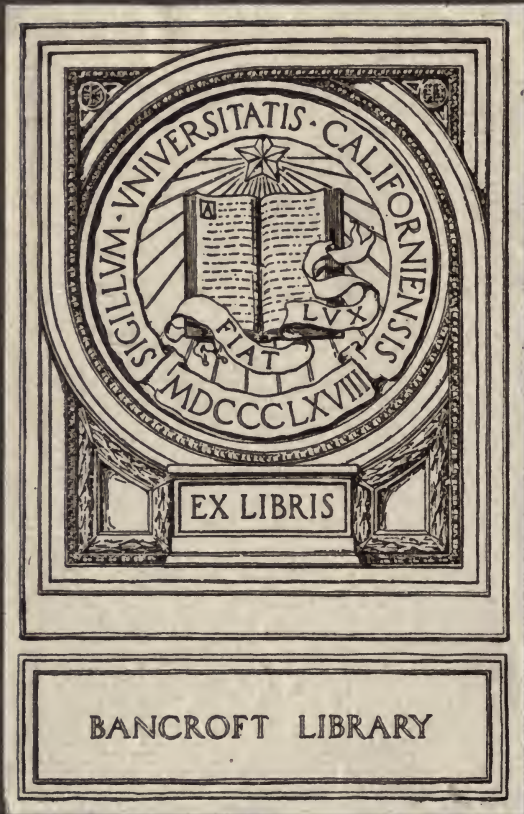


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At the date of the outbreak of Hostilities, between the United States and Mexico in 1846, a journey to the Mexican Territory of California, either by sea or land, was a subject of no little consideration, partaking somewhat of an exile from the civilized world ; and few were the number in those days, who had occasion, or desired the opportunity of visiting that then distant land, and whether the choice was made of a voyage by sea, or an overland journey, the time required to perform the trip between New York and San Francisco, in either instance, was from five to six months. Some few Americans were residents of the Country at that date, having found their way there by vessels either trading for hides, or on whaling voyages ; others following the course of the setting sun across the plains, the Rocky Mountains and Sierra Nevada found themselves upon the Pacific Coast, and becoming infatuated with the life of ease and plenty presented by its delightful climate, and the opportunity of securing a livelihood, with little or no toil, by engaging in the lucrative business of stock-raising, decided them upon making California their home, Americans being highly esteemed by the native Californians, and in almost every instance were received with the warmest hospitality ; but the Mexican officials began to look upon the Americans with jealousy, and to assume an attitude of hostility towards them, so much so, that the result was the banding of the Americans together for self-protection under the celebrated "Bear Flag," and even had not the declaration of war between the two countries been proclaimed hostilities would soon have waged between the Americans and the Mexican forces on duty in the territory ; and during the struggle for the conquest of California by the forces of the United States, those Americans rendered good service, as the history of the conquest bears ample testimony.

Early in the Summer of 1846 President Polk decided upon sending a force of volunteers by sea to the Pacific coast,

also a company of the Third U. S. Artillery, by the U. S. store ship Lexington ; and General Kearney was directed to proceed overland with a battalion of dragoons, via New Mexico, for the purpose of taking possession of, and holding California, with a view to its acquisition on the cessation of difficulties between the two countries. How little did Mr. Polk suspect what a store of wealth he was securing to the future benefit of his country when he conceived this purpose! But scarce had two years elapsed ere the discovery of gold at Sutters' Saw-mill proclaimed to the world that the El Dorado had been found ; and within the domain of the great Republic of the United States, wealth that had for centuries been hidden had now been revealed through the indomitable spirit of progress and civilization which ever follows in the footsteps of the American pioneers of the far West. Twenty-eight years has nearly elapsed since President Polk directed the organization of that regiment of volunteers in the Empire State for duty in California, which body of men were selected with great care, the ultimate intention of the government being that these volunteers, the majority of whom were quite young, should be discharged in that country at the close of the war, and thus form a colony, around which would cluster the parties of Americans then in the country, or who would afterward wend their way across the plains to that distant land in search of homes. Many Americans had already settled in the neighboring territory of Oregon, and attention was being drawn to California, not only on account of its fine climate, but also in anticipation of that territory soon becoming the property of our own government.

The regiment of volunteers referred to was organized under the immediate direction of Jonathan D. Stevenson, and upon the assembling of the various companies on Governor's Island, New York harbor, he became its colonel, and in the month of September following sailed for its destination. Few of the present residents of the Empire City and State have any knowledge or recollection of the youthful and hardy band who sailed from this city and State to form so important a part in the organization and settlement of a then far-off country, which at the present day is more a counterpart of the City and State of New York than any others of the great Republic. New York and California, the one

the Empire State of the Atlantic, and the other, the Golden State of the Pacific, are bound to each other by many ties of sympathy, no city or state having contributed so largely to her population as that of New York. What a contrast is now presented between California of 1846 and that of 1874! then, a sparse-settled Mexican Territory; now, one of the constellation of States, teeming with populous cities and an enterprising, industrious, law-abiding class of citizens; then requiring 180 days to make the trip between New York and San Francisco; now performed with ease and pleasure in six days and a few hours.

The discovery of gold at Sutter' Mill in 1848 caused the rapid influx of thousands upon thousands, not only from our own Atlantic States, but from every other civilized part of the globe, and thus added greatly to the population (floating, in a great measure) of California. Towns sprang up in every portion of the mountains comprising the mining regions, and thus the organization of volunteers destined by the government to be the settlers of this remote land was, as it were, engulfed in the mass of population so rapidly pouring into the country. Yet from this body of early pioneers have been contributed some of California's most enterprising and wealthy citizens, and during the late civil war many of them proved their devotion to their country, filling positions as generals, colonels, and other officers in the volunteer army. But, as these few pages are intended to record the names of the known survivors of that organization—"The First Regiment of N. Y. Volunteers," in service of the United States, during the Mexican war, more familiarly known on the Pacific coast as "Stevenson's California Regiment," we will proceed with the discharge of that pleasant duty.

SURVIVORS.

FIELD OFFICERS.

1. * Col. Jonathan D. Stevenson, San Francisco.
2. † Major James A. Hardie, Major Genl. U. S. Army.

STAFF OFFICERS.

1. * Surgeon, Alexander Perry, New York City.
2. † Asst. do., W. C. Parker, Oakland, Alameda Co.
3. † Asst. do., Robert Murray, San Francisco.
4. † Commissary, William G. Marey, Washington, D. C.
5. Chaplain, T. M. Leavenworth, San Rafael, Marin Co.

LINE OFFICERS—CAPTAINS.

1. * Seymour G. Steele, Co. A, Rhonerville, Humboldt Co.
2. * James M. Turner, Co. B, New York City.
3. † Henry M. Naglee, Co. D, San Jose.
4. * Nelson Taylor, Co. E, South Norwalk, Conn.
5. * Francis J. Lippitt, Co. F, Boston, Mass.
6. * John B. Frisbie, Co. H, Vallejo, Cal.

LIEUTENANTS.

1. † Henry C. Matsell, Co. B, Washita, Kansas.
2. † Thomas E. Ketchum, Co. B, Stockton, Cal.
3. * George D. Brewerton, Co. C, New York City.
4. * Henry S. Carnes, Co. F, Santa Barbara.
5. * Jeremiah Sherwood, Co. F, New York City.
6. * J. M. H. Hollingsworth, Co. G, Georgetown, D. C.
7. † Palmer B. Hewlett, Co. I, Healdsburg, Sonoma Co.
8. * Wm. H. Smith, Co. I, Algerine Camp, Toulumne Co.
9. * Henry Magee, Co. I, San Diego.

NON-COMMISSIONED STAFF.

1. * Seg't-Major A. C. McDonald, Cloverdale, Sonoma Co.

“Co. A.”

1. * Edward Weller,	San Francisco.
2. † Frederick L. Post,	San Francisco.
3. * Thomas J. Hill,	San Francisco.
4. * Edward Barthrop,	San Francisco.
5. † Joseph McDonough,	San Francisco.
6. William Irwin,	San Francisco.
7. † John Flood,	San Francisco.
8. * James O'Sullivan,	San Francisco.
9. † Martin Cahill,	Stockton.
10. † James A. Tait,	Santa Cruz.
11. * Moses W. Perry,	Los Angeles.
12. † Peter Thompson,	Los Angeles.
13. † August Ahlers,	Los Angeles.
14. † Richard Clamp,	Chinees Camp.
15. * S. O. Houghton,	San Jose.
16. † J. W. Thomas,	San Jose.
17. * Walter Murray,	San Luis Obispo.
18. John Wooly,	Camp Seco.
19. John Skinner,	Camp Seco.
20. † Chas. W. Dankers,	Sacramento City.
21. † John Scollan,	Santa Barbara.
22. * Leonard A. Munson,	Two Rocks, Sonoma Co.
23. Henry Willard,	Sauel, Mendocino Co.
24. * Russell Myers,	New York, N. Y.
25. * Jacob J. Schoonmaker,	Washington, D. C.
26. * William H. Rogers,	Brooklyn, N. Y.
27. * William H. Williams,	Nyack, N. Y.
28. * Gilbert E. Dean,	Fort Lee, N. J.
29. Lewis Thursby,	———, Georgia.
30. Walter Chippman,	———, Michigan.
32. ——— Parvin,	Hamilton, Nevada.
32. Nicholas McDonough,	San Antonia, Lower Cal.
33. John Havey,	West Point, California.

“Co. B.”

1. * Samuel Catts,	Stockton.
2. † James W. Melvin,	San Francisco.
3. † Patrick Lynch,	San Francisco

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| 4. * Daniel P. Clark, | San Diego. |
| 5. * John Gallagher, | Petaluma. |
| 6. † John Dreear, | Santa Cruz. |
| 7. * Samuel W. Pearsall, | Mokelumne Hill. |
| 8. * Charles H. Thurston, | Marysville. |
| 9. * Charles Heinrich, | Sacramento City. |
| 10. † August Ostwald, | Sacramento City. |
| 11. † Josiah P. Ames, | Half Moon Bay, San Mateo Co. |
| 12. † Charles Bader, | Dog Town, Butte Co. |
| 13. John Funk, | Shasta Co., Cal. |
| 14. * Charles J. McPherson, | New York, N. Y. |
| 15. * James E. Nuttman, | Newark, N. J. |
| 16. * Wm. H. Maxwell, | New York, N. Y. |

“Co. C.”

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| 1. Lysander E. Washburn, | San Francisco. |
| 2. * David Norris, | San Francisco.? |
| 3. * Adolph G. Russ, | San Francisco. |
| 4. † William Huefner, | San Francisco. |
| 5. * John P. Conway, | San Francisco. |
| 6. William C. Dotter, | San Francisco. |
| 7. J. Auwaerter, | San Francisco. |
| 8. Peter Peterson, | San Francisco. |
| 9. * Alexander J. Cox, | Napa. |
| 10. William C. Green, | Sonoma. |
| 11. Hurolid Kamp, | Sonoma. |
| 12. George Storey, | Sonoma County. |
| 13. † William Jones, | Sonoma County. |
| 14. † J. G. Dow, | Healdsburg, Sonoma Co. |
| 15. R. Romschoetle, | Vallejo. |

“Co. D.”

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| 1. † Preston K. Woodside, | Monterey. |
| 2. * William S. Johnson, | Monterey. |
| 3. † William D. Robinson, | Monterey. |
| 4. † James A. Gray, | Salinas City, Monterey Co. |
| 5. † James Harron, | Millerton, Fresno Co. |
| 6. † George W. Toombs, | Modesto, Stanislaus Co. |
| 7. * Charles Lipp, | Vallejo. |

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| 8. | Henry Hendrickson, | Vallejo. |
| 9. | † James Sirey, | San Francisco. |
| 10. | † John Hart, | San Francisco. |
| 11. | John B. Phillips, | San Francisco. |
| 12. | Charles Rosseau, | San Francisco. |
| 13. | Frank P. Anderson, | San Francisco. |
| 14. | † Eugene Ghuibal, | Banta, San Joaquin Co. |
| 15. | —— Mager, | Murphy's, Calaveras Co. |
| 16. | William H. Martin, | Oakland. |
| 17. | † George C. Dean, | Visalia, Tulare Co. |
| 18. | —— Smith, | Santa Barbara. |
| 19. | †† William H. Mitchell, | ——, Amador Co. |
| 20. | * Jacob W. Norris, | Newark, N. J. |
| 21. | * John Wolfe, | New York, N. Y. |
| 22. | * Francis D. Clark, | New York, N. Y. |
| 23. | * Daniel E. Tylee, | New York, N. Y. |
| 24. | * George Meyer, | Mount Eden, Alameda Co. |

“Co. E.”

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| 1. | † H. E. Lewis, | San Jose. |
| 2. | † John M. O'Neil, | San Francisco. |
| 3. | † Caspar Briggs, | San Francisco. |
| 4. | † Henry J. Wolgemuth, | San Francisco. |
| 5. | † Ezekial Bullock, | San Francisco. |
| 6. | William Boyer, | San Francisco. |
| 7. | Anthony W. Lowry, | San Francisco. |
| 8. | * John Taylor, | New York, N. Y. |
| 9. | * John H. Welsh, | New York, N. Y. |
| 10. | * G. M. Leonard, | New York, N. Y. |

“Co. F.”

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| 1. | † James Lynch, | Plieto, San Luis Obispo Co. |
| 2. | † John W. Haskell, | Santa Barbara. |
| 3. | † Gustavus Mulhause, | Santa Barbara. |
| 4. | † Andrew Flaying, | Santa Barbara. |
| 5. | * John Egbert Stothers, | Oakland. |
| 6. | —— Mohr, | San Jose. |
| 7. | * John H. Webster, | Stockton. |
| 8. | * John H. Stevens, | Stockton. |

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| 9. † Richard E. Delaney, | San Francisco. |
| 10. † Emeil A. Engleberg, | San Francisco. |
| 11. † James Queen, | San Francisco. |
| 12. † James Owen, | San Francisco. |
| 13. † Peter Sessor, | San Francisco. |
| 14. † Chas. Russ. | San Francisco. |
| 15. † August P. Russ. | San Francisco. |
| 16. † Thodore Lopez, | Sonora, Toulumne Co. |
| 17. ——— Willis. | San Andreas, Calareras Co. |

“ Co. G.”

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| 1. * Archibald Roane, | Georgetown, D. C. |
| 2. † James H. Adams, | San Francisco. |
| 3. * August Tieroff, | San Francisco. |
| 4. * Francis Frech, | San Francisco. |
| 5. † John Kleinschroth, | San Francisco. |
| 6. * James Faulkner, | San Jose. |
| 7. † Henry Ehrbrook, | Santa Clara. |
| 8. * Frederick Coyan, | Vallejo. |
| 9. * Robert Wilson, | Vallejo. |
| 10. * T. Jefferson Wells, | New York, N. Y. |

“ Co. H.”

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| 1 † James R. Lee, | Vallejo. |
| 2 * Eleazer Frisbie, | Vallejo. |
| 3 * George R. Cornwell, | Napa. |
| 4 * Joseph Reed, | Napa. |
| 5 * William Humphery, | Coulterville, Mariposa Co. |
| 6 * F. O. Benjamin, | Sonoma. |
| 7 † Alfred Guthrie, | San Francisco. |
| 8 * Richard M. Goldwaite, | Albany, N. Y. |
| 9 James Ostrander, | Kinderhook, N. Y. |
| 10 * George Van Vechter, | New Brunswick, N. J. |
| 11 * William H. Folsom, | New York, N. Y. |

"Co. I."

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| 1 | * Cornelius Sullivan, | Santa Clara. |
| 2 | * Henry M. Osgood, | San Luis Obispo. |
| 3 | * John Woods, | Dover, Merced Co. |
| 4 | * John N. Clark, | Stockton. |
| 5 | John Bund, | Hankeys, So Fork Calaveras River. |
| 6 | Robert Wybourn, | Jenny Lind, Calaveras Co. |
| 7 | * De Witt J. Harmon, | Murphy's Calaveras Co. |
| 8 | August Miller, | Calaveras, Co. |
| 9 | ———Hauff, | San Francisco. |
| 10 | * George J. Graff, | San Francisco. |

"Co. K."

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| 1. | * Thomas Dent Williamson, | Santa Rosa, Sonoma Co. |
| 2. | † John Knight, | Ukiah, Mendicino Co. |
| 3. | * A. Pfister, | San Jose. |
| 4. | ——— Walther, | Los Angeles. |
| 5. | John Hommitch, | San Francisco. |
| 6. | ——— Neiderer, | San Francisco. |
| 7. | Charles Rodrian, | San Francisco. |
| 8. | Edward Shirland, | ———, Placer Co. |
| 9. | Robert Merritt, | ———, Napa, Co. |
| 10. | ——— Remington, | Washington Territory. |
| 11. | * William H. Christian, | Utica, N. Y. |

 Company to which attached unknown.

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| 1 | John Weber, | San Francisco. |
| 2 | Herman Mast, | San Francisco. |
| 3 | L. B. Clements, | Soquel, Santa Cruz Co. |
| 4 | James Green, | San Francisco. |
| 5 | William H. Brown, | Oakland, Cal. |
| 6 | Frederic Jansen, | San Francisco. |
| 7 | Charles H. Bartlett, | San Francisco. |
| 8 | Peter Peterson, | San Francisco. |
| 9 | G. S. Underwood, | Petaluma, Sonoma Co. |

Clerk to the Sutler.

1[†] James C. L. Wadsworth, San Francisco.Born on the voyage from New York
to San Francisco.

1. ^{† James Hardie} John Q. Adams, [Died at San Francisco, 1849.]
Passenger on Ship. Los Chos (age 3 years)
^{* John D. Adams,} *604 Clay St., San Francisco*
(Secretary Survivors of the Regt. on Pacific Coast)

RECAPITULATION.

Field Officers	2
Staff Officers	5
Captains	6
Lieutenants	9
Non-Commissioned Staff	1
Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates	166
	Total 189

NOTE.

Those names to which is attached an * implies that the information was derived directly from themselves either by letter or personal interview. Those marked thus † the information was received from a reliable source ; and in all cases where the State is not designated, the place mentioned is in California.

The companies comprising the regiment were mustered out of the service of the United States, as follows :

Company "C," Capt. J. E. Brackett, at San Francisco, August 15th, 1848 ;

Company "K," Capt. K. H. Dimmock, at San Francisco, August 15th, 1848 ;

Company "H," Capt. J. B. Frisbie, at San Francisco, August 25th, 1848 ;

By Lieut. Jas. A. Hardie (late Major of the Regiment),
3d U. S. Artillery ;

Company "F," Capt. F. J. Lippitt, at Santa Barbara,
September 8th, 1848 ;

Company "E," Capt. Nelson Taylor, at Los Angeles,
September 18th, 1848 ;

Company "G," Capt. M. R. Stevenson, at Los Angeles,
September 18th, 1848 ;

Company "I," Capt. W. E. Shannon, at San Diego,
September 25th, 1848 ;

By Capt. A. J. Smith, 1st U. S. Dragoons ;

Company "A," Capt. S. G. Steele, at Monterey, October
23d, 1848 ;

Company "B," Lieut. H. C. Mattsell, at Monterey,
October 23d, 1848 ;

Company "D," Capt. H. M. Naglee, at Monterey,
October 24th, 1848 ;

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By Capt. Henry S. Burton (late Lieut. Colonel of the
regiment) 3d U. S. Artillery.

The Field Officers of the regiment were mustered out
of service by Capt. H. S. Burton, at Monterey, Cal.,
October 26th, 1848.

ERRATA.

Folio 6.—Major Jas. A. Hardie; Folio 10.—James R. Lee,
read * instead of †

Folio 10.—Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Co. H,
read † instead of *

Folio 12.—John Q. Adams, should be affixed a *

Folio 12.—Jas. C. L. Wadsworth, should be affixed a †

Deceased since January 1st, 1871.

At Sacramento, January 12th, 1871, Peter Earle, of Co. E.

At San Francisco, February 17th, 1871, John H. Moran, of Co. D.

At Brooklyn, N. Y., February 21st, 1871, Mills L. Callender, of Co. K.

At Old San Diego, Cal., March 3d, 1871, Lieut. Geo. A. Pendleton, of Co. D.

At ——— Toulumne Co., Cal., August — 1871, James Drennan, of Co. A.

At Sonora, Toulumne Co., Cal., September 30th, 1873, Peter Francis Livingston, of Co. K.

At San Francisco, January 1st, 1874, John P. Hawkins, of Co. A.

At Sonoma, Sonoma Co., February 20th, 1874, John Neeb, of Co. K.

Commissioned Officers,

Known to be Deceased, prior to Jan'y 1st, 1871.

Lieut.-Colonel Henry S. Burton, Fort Adams, Rhode Island, 1869.

Captain J. L. Folsom, Quartermaster, San Francisco, 1850.

Captain John Ely Brackett, Co. C, ———, Michigan.

Captain William E. Shannon, Co. I, Sacramento, 1852.

Captain M. R. Stevenson, Co. G, Fort Warren, Boston Harbor, 1863.

Lieut. Geo. Frank Lemon, Co. A, died from wounds received at the battle of Crampton Gap, South Mountain, September 14th, 1862.

Lieut. E. Gould Buffum, Co. B, Paris, France.

Lieut. Wm. R. Tremmels, Co. C, off Cape Horn, 1846.

Lieut. Charles C. Anderson, Co. C, San Francisco, September 13th, 1847.

Lieut. Thomas J. Roach, Co. C, Klamath Co., Cal., 1852.

Lieut. Roderick M. Morrison, Co. C., Angel's Camp, Cal., 1849.

Lieut. William E. Cuttrel, Co. E., San Francisco.

Lieut. Thomas L. Vermule, Co. E, San Jose, Cal.

Lieut. John M. Huddart, Co. F, Sandwich Islands.

Lieut. Edward Gilbert, Co. H, San Francisco.

Lieut. H. W. Theall, Co. D, Hamilton, White Pine, Nev.

Lieut. John S. Norris, Co. K, Central America, 1856.

Lieut. Myron Norton, Co. C, San Francisco.

Since going to press, the announcement of the death of our comrade, JAMES W. MELVIN, of Co. B, at San Francisco, on the 18th of May 1874, has been received.

F. D. C.

Since going to press the announcement of the death
of our countryman, JAMES H. ALLEN, of Co. B, 2nd Iowa
Infantry, on the 18th of May 1874, has been received.
J. D. C.

The Transport Fleet.

The following named vessels conveyed the regiment to California, and the information relative to their subsequent career has been kindly furnished by John H. Paulison, Esq., President of the "*Sun Mutual Insurance Company of New York*," as also by Mr. John H. Chapman, Secretary of the "*Atlantic Mutual Insurance Company of New York*."

Ship "THOMAS H. PERKINS," 697 tons burden, ——— Arthur, Master, with companies B, F and G, Col. J. D. Stevenson, senior officer of the troops.

This ship was sold during the late civil war to a merchant of London, England; her name was changed to the "Anstruther" of London; on the 25th day of November, 1872, this vessel arrived at Pensacola, Florida, from Liverpool.

Ship "LOO CHOO," 639 tons burden, Jas. B. Hatch, Master, with companies A, C, K, and a portion of Co. E, Major Jas. A. Hardie, senior officer of the troops.

This ship was in the port of New York in the year 1865, have no trace of the vessel since, and as the records of the Board of Underwriters of New York contain no later report, the vessel has probably been wrecked.

Ship "SUSAN DREW," 701 tons burden, ——— Arthur, Master, with companies D, I, H, and a portion of Co. E, Lieut. Col. Henry S. Burton, senior officer of the troops.

This ship was sold to British owners and her name changed to "Magdalena," and under that name she sailed from San Francisco, February 4th, 1852, for Panama; in April, 1852, she was reported as lying at Panama.

Note.—An old sea captain, R. W. Welsh, says that he resided on board the "Susan Drew" at San Francisco, in 1850, at which time the wharves had been built out in the bay, beyond and around the vessel, and he expresses his opinion and belief that the old vessel lies there still and forms the foundation of a street of that city, and that the streets extend beyond her hull into the bay two or three squares.

The evidence is undeniable that the vessel was at Panama in 1852.

Ship "BRUTUS," 463 tons burden, — Adams, Master. This vessel sailed from New York November 13th, 1846, with the officers and men who were left at New York at the date of the sailing of the regiment, September 26th; Captain Nelson Taylor, of Co. E, senior officer of the troops.

This vessel was last recorded as lying in the port of New York in the month of July 1860; for the three years previous she had been on a whaling voyage; as no record of the vessel can be traced since that date; in all probability she has been wrecked.

Ship "ISABELLA," 649 tons burden, Geo. Briggs, Master. This vessel sailed from Philadelphia on the 19th day of August, 1847, with 100 recruits for the regiment under the command of Lieut. Thomas J. Roach.

The "Isabella" was sold in 1863 to parties of Liverpool, England, was placed under the British Flag and name changed to "Lilla Mansfield," was at the port of New York in 1856; the year following her sale and change of flag she was wrecked on the coast of Ireland and became a total loss.

Ship "SWEDEN," 646 tons burden, — Knott, Master. This vessel sailed from New York in the month of September, 1847, with 100 recruits for the regiment under the command of Lieut. Thomas E. Ketchum.

This vessel put into Gibraltar while on a voyage from Leghorn to Philadelphia in the month of January, 1860 (another report says April, 1860), was there condemned as unseaworthy, and sold.

No. 16 CORTLANDT STREET, }
 NEW YORK, *May 1st*, 1874. }

COMRADES—

In the month of April, 1871, the first issue of the ROLL OF THE SURVIVORS of our old organization, who were known to be living on the previous first day of that year, was published, and since that date the result of continued research enables me to present in the preceding pages a more complete list of the names of our living comrades, as also some incidents pertaining to the subsequent career of the vessels of the fleet which conveyed us to the Pacific Coast.

At the date of the issue of the previous roll, it was the expectation to have prepared, ere this, for publication, a collection of facts and incidents pertaining to the history of the regiment—from the date of its organization in 1846, to that of its discharge in 1848,—and while information of a valuable and interesting character has been collected, yet not sufficiently complete to place in the hands of the publisher, and I regret, that many who were appealed to for their assistance in procuring information, although responding with an assurance that they would cheerfully acquiesce, yet failed to do so, not as is believed from any intentional omission, but more in consequence of the demands of other duties on their time, as also a distaste that many acquire of penning even a few lines. Yet the intention is to continue the research with a view to a future publication, which will not only be of interest to ourselves, but many who are residents of the Empire and Golden States.

During the past three years, death has summoned *eight* of our comrades from our midst, and thus, one by one we are answering our last roll-call.

The re-unions held by our comrades at San Francisco and New York, during the past few years, have not only proven agreeable and entertaining, but have resulted in the formation of a bond of friendship which, it is hoped,

will be of a lasting character; the re-union held in this city on the 26th day of March last, in connection with the "*California Pioneers of New York City*," was of most agreeable character, and was largely attended by Californians of 1849, '50 and '51. Dr. Alexander Perry our former surgeon, presided at the dinner; the occasion being the 27th anniversary of the landing of the regiment at San Francisco, those of our comrades who were present upon this occasion were Surgeon Alex. Perry, Captain James M. Turner, Lieut. Jeremiah Sherwood, Privates William H. Christian, William H. Rogers, William H. Williams, Russell Myers, James E. Nutman, William H. Maxwell, Charles J. McPherson, George M. Leonard and Francis D. Clark—our former Major, Major Gen'l Jas. A. Hardie, U. S. Army was absent on special duty in Dakota Territory, Captain Francis J. Lippitt was on a visit to Cuba, and S. O. Houghton, member of Congress, was detained from attending by important duties at the Capitol, John Wolfe, Esq., of this city, by sickness, but all replied to their invitations in a feeling of the greatest regard and friendship for the old regiment and their former comrades in arms; at the re-union, in response to the toast "*Stevenson's Regiment*," Lieut. J. Sherwood replied in a happy speech, referring to the organization and subsequent career of the regiment, and many of its individual members.

In the month of January last, a convention of the *Veterans of the Mexican War* assembled at the City of Washington, the attendance was quite large, delegates arriving from all parts of the Union, a memorial was prepared and presented to Congress, praying that the survivors of that war might be placed on the pension rolls, at the rate of eight dollars per month, and the assurances are very favorable to its success, in which event those of our comrades who by age and disease have become incapable of performing labors for a livelihood, will receive, at least, a little aid from their country whom they faithfully served in her hour of need.

In the former issue of the *Roll of the Survivors*, an appeal was made to all for information as to the present

residence of any of our comrades not therein recorded, that request is now renewed, as also a notification of the death of any one of them, in order that a proper record may be kept, the necessity of your assistance is quite apparent, let the appeal meet with attention on the part of all.

To our comrades Genl. J. B. Frisbie, Genl. W. H. Christian, Major Russell Myers, Lieut. J. Sherwood and John Wolf Esq., and not myself, are you indebted for this pamphlet, those gentlemen having voluntarily defrayed the expense of its publication, its compilation has been a pleasure, and if it serves to interest you my labors are amply repaid.

With an assurance of my great affection for the old regiment of which I had the honor to be an humble member.

I remain your comrade,

FRANCIS D. CLARK,

Formerly private of Co. D,

1st Regt. of N. Y. Vol. com'd by

COL. JONATHAN D. STEVENSON,

In service on the Pacific Coast

during the Mexican War.

N. B.—The intention is, that every COMRADE shall receive a copy of this pamphlet, and those who fail to do so, will be furnished by addressing as above, those receiving copies will please acknowledge their receipt.

THIRD DIVISION, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE VETERANS
OF THE MEXICAN WAR.

No. 16 Cortlandt Street, }
New York, May 1st, 1874. }

COMRADES OF THE MEXICAN WAR.

The National Convention of the Veterans of the Mexican War which assembled at Washington D. C., in the month of January last, organized a *National Associa-*

tion, of which Gen'l George Cadwalader of Pennsylvania was elected President, with one Vice-President and one member of the Council of Administration for each State and Territory in the Union, as also for the Army and Navy. Five Secretaries were elected, only three of whom accepted and entered upon the discharge of their duties—and one Treasurer.

The duties of the Secretaries are to record the names of every survivor of the Mexican War, either of the Army or Navy—and as an effort is now being made to obtain a pension for each survivor of that War, you are requested to forward to myself your name and particulars as to Company, Regiment or Vessel in which you served, as also the names of others in your immediate vicinity—

It is desirable, where practicable, for local Associations to be formed, and in that event a copy of the Roll of its members can be forwarded—and, as the Convention re-assembles at Washington on the 22d of February, 1875, it is urged that every name possible be recorded 'ere the close of the present year, so that a full report of the known survivors of that War may be made to that body, in accordance with the instructions and resolutions passed at its last meeting.

Already, a number of these who reside on the Pacific Coast have forwarded to this office their names, which have been duly recorded, and their communications acknowledged.

The labors of the Officers of the National Association are entirely gratuitous, and it is to be hoped that all interested in the work undertaken by the Association will cheerfully comply with the request herein contained.

A pamphlet giving an account of the proceedings &c. of the Convention has been issued and will be forwarded to any address at cost of publication and postage, which amounts to the sum of fifteen cents per copy.

Respectfully &c.

FRANCIS D. CLARK.

Secretary.

