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NOTE.

At the time of the semi-centennial celebration of the College in 1871, the undersigned was directed by the Faculty to prepare for publication a record of all graduates and non-graduates who had served in the Union army or navy in the war of the rebellion, so far as their names and services could be ascertained. This was published in a pamphlet of forty-eight pages, containing the names of two hundred and forty-seven. Copies of this were placed in the Library for distribution among the alumni, at the successive commencements following.

Since then, the names of ninety-seven others, who served in the war, have from time to time become known, and it has seemed desirable that the record should be made more complete by the insertion of their names in a new edition, with such information respecting their services as could be obtained. The cost of this has been defrayed by the liberality of some of the alumni who served in the war and a few others.

It has been ascertained that several of those graduates whose names are marked with a ‡ in the Quinquennial Catalogue were not in actual military service, and accordingly their names have been omitted in this record.

In an appendix will be found a summary, a statement respecting the memorial chime of bells in the tower of the College Church, and a copy of the inscription on the cannon in the vestibule of Williston Hall. An index of names has also been added.

E. P. CROWELL.

January, 1905.

RECORD OF THE SERVICES

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Graduates and Non-Graduates IN THE WAR OF THE REBELLION

[Non-graduates are indicated by the letters n. g.]

1828.

Timothy Robinson Cressey. 1861-63, Chaplain 2nd Regt. Minnesota Vols. *1870.

1829.

WILLIAM FRANK NELSON. Commissioned Hospital Chaplain, July, 1862; stationed at Cincinnati during the war, with detail service to Louisville and Chattanooga, after the battles of Chickamauga and Lookout Valley, Gen. Rosecrans commanding; wounded in the face, while on duty, and disabled. Mustered out, July 28th, 1865. *1875.

1830.

THOMAS REED RAWSON. Commissioned Hospital Chaplain, Aug. 16th, 1864; stationed at General Hospital, Albany, N. Y. Mustered out, Oct. 31st, 1865. *1877.

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James Clark Stuart, n. g. Surgeon, 17th New York Vols.; Brigade and Division Surgeon, 1861-65. *1870.

1831.

ORLOW MATHER DORMAN. Appointed Paymaster, July, 1862, with rank of Major; served at Baltimore under Gen. Wool; Hilton Head, S. C., under Gens. David Hunter and Q. A. Gilmore; Fort Monroe and Norfolk, under Gens. B. F. Butler and U. S. Grant; Raleigh, N. C., under Gen. Ruger; Florida campaign, under Gen. Gilmore; Forts Wagner and Sumter, and around Richmond. Sick with dysentery and typhoid fever. Mustered out at Washington, D. C., Feb. 1866. *1879.

NATHANIEL AUGUSTUS FISHER. Commissioned State Surgeon, Feb. 14th, 1862; March 7th, 1863, Surgeon 13th Conn. Vols.; Jan. 2nd, 1864, Surgeon 29th Conn. (colored) Vols. Entered New Orleans soon after its surrender; served at Port Hudson, Bayou La Fourche, Red River campaign, &c., under Gens. Banks and Butler. Sick in St. James Hospital from April 25th to middle of June, 1864, when the commission was resigned. Was connected with the 29th Conn. Regt. two months, leaving on account of health. *1883.

*John Lawrence Fox. Commissioned Asst. Surgeon U. S. Navy, Sept. 6th, 1837; promoted Surgeon Aug. 16th, 1847; appointed Fleet Surgeon spring of 1864 to North Atlantic blockading squadron rendezvousing near Fort Monroe. Under arduous labors his health gave way, and in Nov. 1864, he left the service and died Dec. 17th, 1864.

*David Lewis Johns. Enlisted at Chicago in one of the earliest regiments raised there, but almost immediately after, was taken sick, and died in camp, Dec. 25th, 1861.

1832

ROBERT WILSON. Commissioned Col. of 14th N. H. Vols., Sept. 24th, 1862; not promoted, though often performing Brigade and District service. Served from Oct., 1862, to April, 1863, in Valley of Potomac, between Great Falls and Harper's Ferry, Gen. Grover commanding; April, 1863, to Jan. 7th, 1864, in defenses of Washington, Gen. Martindale commanding; Jan. and Feb., 1864, independent command in West Va., hunting guerrillas; April 12th, 1864, reported to Gen. Banks at New Orleans, and placed in command of District of Carrollton; June 7th, joined 19th Army Corps at Red River, La., under Gen. Emory; July 21st, 1864, reported to Gen. Grant at City Point, Va.; Aug. 18th, to Gen. Sheridan, near Berryville, Va. Sick with diphtheria, Jan., 1864; with malarial fever July, 1864, on account of which, resigned and was mustered out Sept. 6th, 1864. *1870.

1833.

WILLIAM OLIVER COLLINS. Commissioned Col. of 11th Ohio Vol. Cavalry in the summer of 1861; reported to Gen. Halleck, at St. Louis, and ordered to open communications to Salt Lake City. Advanced in March, 1862, to Fort Laramie, and from thence up the North Platte to South Pass, leaving detachments at various points. Though nominally in the Dept. of Missouri, District of Nebraska, and under Gens. Halleck, Custis, Schofield and Pope, was, to all practical purposes, a detached and independent commander, over a district extending from the junction of the North and South Platte, to Green River in Utah Territory, including the tribes of the Sioux, Arapahoes, Cheyennes, Kiowas, and Utes. Engagements numerous and sufferings intense, but no great battles or campaigns. Returned in spring of 1865, and was mustered out at Omaha. *1880.

JOHN FLAVEL WHITE. Hospital Surgeon, Covington, Ky. and Cincinnati, O., and Surgeon, 2nd Regt., Kentucky Vols. *1881.

1834.

JOHN WHEELOCK ALLEN, n. g. Chaplain, U. S. A., Baton Rouge, La., 1862-63.

SAMUEL HOPKINS EMERY. Commissioned April, 1862, by Secretary Stanton to visit the army with nurses and stores. Subsequently appointed Hospital Chaplain and served at Quincy, Ill., until close of the war. *1901.

WILLIAM GRAVES WILLIAMS. Commissioned Hospital Chaplain Sept. 23d, 1864; mustered into service at Ashfield, Mass., Oct. 8th; stationed at Jackson Hospital, Memphis, Tenn.; served in that and the Washington and Marine Hospitals of that city, till July 27th, 1865; Chaplain of U. S. General Hospital and U. S. Military Prison, at St. Johns, Ark., Gen. Reynolds commanding. Mustered out at St. Louis, May 26th, 1866. *1874.

JOHN HARVEY WRIGHT. Commissioned Asst. Surgeon U. S. Navy, 1839, promoted Surgeon, 1855. By reason of infirm health, was placed on the reserved list at an early period of the war. *1879.

1835.

ROBERT GORDON WILLIAMS. Capt. Co. G., 1st Regt. Connecticut Heavy Artillery, May 22, 1861-March 24, 1862. During his term of service the regiment was stationed at Forts Richardson, Scott and Barnard. *1894.

1836.

ALFRED BREWSTER ELV. Commissioned Nov. 9th, 1861,

Quartermaster 13th Conn. Vols., with rank of Lieutenant; Nov. 11th, 1861, appointed Aid-de-camp to Brigadier Gen. Benham in West Virginia; resigned from 13th Conn., and appointed 1st Lieutenant Co. I, 11th Conn. Vols., and senior Aid to Gen. Benham. March 26th, 1862, appointed acting Asst. Adj. Gen., Northern Division of Dept. of the South, under Gen. Benham. In active service at Hilton Head, Beaufort, Fort Pulaski, &c. April 30th, 1862, appointed Asst. Adjt. Gen., with rank of Captain. After battles of Edisto and Stono, ordered North, and served on staff of Maj. Gen. Morgan. On sick leave for several months from disease contracted in the marshes of the Edisto and the Stono. Resigned in 1863. *1872.

EDWARD CORRIE PRITCHETT. Appointed Sept. 10th, 1861, Chaplain 50th N. Y. Regt. (Engineers), brigaded under Gens. Woodbury, Butterfield, and Benham, with Army of Potomac under Gens. McClellan, Burnside, Hooker and Meade. In active service at siege of Yorktown, the march to Hampton, battle of Mary's Heights, and below Fredericksburg; during campaign of the Wilderness detained at Washington with Brigade Hospital. Sick with Virginia fever during campaign on the Chickahominy, but never lost a day. Mustered out Sept. 20th, 1864. *1892.

NATHANIEL RICHARDSON. Appointed May 6th, 1864, Chaplain 36th Mass. Vols. Served before Petersburg, most of the time in Field Hospital of 9th Army Corps, under Gen. Burnside; sick at Campbell Hospital, Washington, and Annapolis, Md., twelve weeks. Mustered out at Alexandria, June, 1865. *1896.

1837.

*JAMES AVERILL. Commissioned Oct., 1862, Chaplain 23d