

FIELD AND STAFF.

COLONELS.—Henry D. Clayton of Barbour; till re-organized. Isaiah G. W. Steedman of Wilcox; captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.

LIEUTENANT COLONELS.—I. G. W. Steedman; promoted. M. B. Locke of Pike; wounded and captured at Port Hudson.

MAJORS.—Jere N. Williams of Barbour; till re-organized. Samuel L. Knox of Talladega; captured at Island Ten; captured at Port Hudson, but escaped; wounded at Atlanta; killed in command of the regiment at Franklin.

ADJUTANTS.—S. H. Dent of Barbour; resigned. Samuel D. Steedman of Wilcox; captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.

CAPTAINS AND COUNTIES FROM WHICH THE COMPANIES CAME.

TALLAPOOSA.—James D. Meadows; captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson; murdered by the guard at Johnson's Island.

PIKE.—Augustus H. Owen; resigned. J. H. Wood.

LOWNDES.—Y. D. Conyers; resigned. John T. Stubbs; captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.

WILCOX.—D. Wardlaw Ramsay; captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.

TALLADEGA.—Joseph H. Johnson; resigned. R. H. Isbell; captured at Port Hudson.

PIKE.—George W. Dawson; till re-organized. M. B. Locke; captured at Island Ten; elected lieutenant colonel. R. H. Riley; captured at Port Hudson.

BARBOUR.—Alpheus Baker; resigned. (Company disbanded at the end of the first year.)

BARBOUR.—John W. Clarke. (Company disbanded at the end of the first year.)

MOBILE.—Ben. Lane Posey. (Company disbanded at the end of the first year.)

BARBOUR.—J. W. Mabry; not re-elected. Richard Williams; captured at Island Ten; wounded and captured at Port Hudson.

BARBOUR (1862)—Wm. H. Pruitt; captured at Port Hudson.

MONTGOMERY AND AUTAUGA (1862).—J. F. Whitfield; captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.

MACON (1862).—C. A. Stanton; captured at Island Ten; resigned. C. C. Knowles; captured at Port Hudson.

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEN
OF THE
First Alabama Regiment.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Montgomery, Ala., December 18, 1861.

The period for which you entered the service is well nigh completed. At the first tocsin of war, you sprang to arms, and leaving business, and "loved ones at home," you rushed to the defense of the most important post on our gulf shore. You have stood, as an impregnable wall, with your brave comrades in arms, against the approach of the enemy. All eyes have watched your labors, and sacrifices, and patient endurance, under the most trying ordeal, and all Alabamians rejoice at the proud position you have won. See that glorious banner, immortalized by the inscription, "22nd and 23rd November, 1861," as it streams out upon the breeze! See the frowning battlements of the enemy before you, as they, impudently threaten your subjugation, and the very gates leading to your State Capitol.

Have you the wish to retire from beneath the folds of that consecrated flag? Can you, willingly, turn your backs upon your foes, and abandon those guns, whose thunders have sent terror, dismay and death into their ranks?

Some of you, I know, cannot return; but the far greater number can. The enemy is putting forth all his powers—by land and by sea—to overrun and desolate our homes, and country. We must fight on, and fight ever, until we conquer a just and honorable peace. Will not the glorious **FIRST ALABAMA REGIMENT** strike "till the last armed foe expires." Gal-
lant men, as you are, I know you will not yield your honored colors in other hands. Your experience, skill and efficiency, demonstrated in the recent terrific bombardment, will make your services of more value, by far, than those of fresh troops. Reorganize then. Other Regiments are reorganizing and mustering for the war; shall the **FIRST ALABAMA** be the *last* to move into columns? The past is secure; but not the future be dimmed by inaction---or a premature abandonment of the field.

The eyes of the State are upon you; and her great popular heart will swell, with pride and confidence, when assured that you will not give up your guns.

Your fellow citizen,

JOHN GILL SHORTER.

FIRST REGIMENT ALABAMA TWELVE MONTHS
VOLUNTEERS.

Made up of companies sent to Pensacola in January,
1861. Field officers elected March 28, 1861. Trans-
ferred to Confederate States service, April 7, 1861.

Field and Staff.

Colonel,--Henry D. Clayton, of Barbour county.

Lieut. Col.,--Isaac W. W. Steadman, of Wilcox county.

Major,--Jere N. Williams, of Barbour county.

Adjutant,--Lemuel Hargroves, of Barbour county, Feb. 10-
March 30, 1861; S. Hubert Dent, of Barbour county, *Mar. 31-*
April 6, 1861.

Surgeon,--J. D. Caldwell, of Wilcox county, Feb. 9th-March
21, 1861; Walker *Curry*, of ~~Tallahassee~~ county,
March 22-April 6, 1861.

Assistant Surgeon,--Dr. Henry M. Hunter.

Commissary,--

Quartermaster,--LeRoy F. Johnston, of Warrington, Fla.

Sergt. Major,--James G. Cowan, of Barbour county.

Q. M. Sergt.,--Thomas S. Haskins, of Montgomery county.



Montgomery

Companies.

- * Co. A, "Pioneer Guards,"--from Barbour county.
Captain: John W. Clark.
- * Co. B, "Eufaula Rifles,"--from Barbour county.
Captain: Alpheus Baker.
- Co. C, "Perote Guards,"--from Pike county.
Captain: George W. Dawson.
- * Co. D, "Red Eagles,"--from Mobile county.
Captain: Ben ~~Love~~ Posey.
LANE
- Co. E, "Rough and Ready Pioneers,"--from Pike county.
Captain: Augustus H. Owens.
- Co. F, "Tallapoosa Rifles,"--from Tallapoosa county.
Captain: James D. Meadows.
- Co. G, "Alabama Rifles,"--from Talladega county.
Captain: Joseph H. Johnson.
- Co. H, "Wilcox True Blues,"--from ~~Barbour~~ county.
Captain: *Wilcox*
- Co. I, "Clayton Guards,"--from Barbour county.
Captain: James W. Mabry.
- Co. K, "Guards of the Sunny South,"--from Lowndes county.
Captain: James D. Conyers.

* Companies disbanded at the end of first year
according to Brewer's Alabama Her History --- (1872) p. 590

FIRST ALABAMA REGIMENT.

Organization.-

Garrison Duty.- From February 1861 to March 5th 1862, post duty at Pensacola, under General Braxton Bragg of La.

From March 13th 1862 to April 8th 1862, post duty at Island 10, (Captured) under General W.W.Mackall of Md.

From Oct. 4th 1862 to July 10th 1863, post duty under General Frank Gardner, La. (Surrendered)

From Nov. 10th 1863 to May 1st, 1864, Post duty in Department of the Gulf, under General D.H.Maury of Va.

Cantey's Brigade.- From May 18th to June 10th 1864 in Cantey's brigade, commanded by Col.Virgil S.Murphy of Ala. to June 10th; by Col.E.A.O'Neal of Ala. to September 1864; by General C.M.Shelley to close of the War.

Quarles Brigade.- Transferred to Quarles' brigade about June 10th 1864, remaining to close of war; commanded by General Wm. A.Quarles of Tenn. to the battle of Franklin Nov. 30th 1864; then by General George D. Johnston of Ala., to April 9th, 1865 (consolidation)

Consolidated at Smithfield, N.C., April 9th 1865 with 16th, 33d, and 45th Alabama regiments.



Companies

- Co.A, "Pioneer Guards" ~~xxxxxx~~ (also called "Eufaula Guards")- from Barbour county. Captains: John W. Clark. (Disbanded at end of first year).
- Co.B, "Eufaula Rifles"- from Barbour county. Captains: Alpheus Baker. (Disbanded at end of first year.)
- Co.C (became Co.G on re-organization in 1862), "Perote Guards"- from Pike county. Captains: George W. Dawson, till re-organized; M. B. Locke, captured at Island Ten; and elected lieutenant colonel; R. H. Riley, captured at Port Hudson.
- Co.D, "Red Eagles"- from Mobile county. Captains: Ben Lane Posey. (Co. disbanded at end of first year.)
- Co.E (remained Co.E on re-organization), "Rough and Ready Pioneers"- from Pike county. Captains: Augustus H. Owens, resigned; John H. Wood.
- Co.F (became Co.A on re-organization) ~~x~~ in 1862), " Tallapoosa Rifles"- from Tallapoosa county. Captains: James D. Meadows, captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson and ~~murdered~~ ^{WOUNDED} by the guard at Johnson's Island.
- Co.G (became Co.D on re-organization in 1862), "Alabama Rifles"⁹ (also called "Talladega Rifles")- from Talladega county. Captains: Joseph H. Johnson, resigned; Robert H. Isbell, captured at Port Hudson.
- Co.H (became Co.F on re-organization in 1862), "Clayton Guards"- from Barbour county. Captains: James W. Mabry; captured at Island Ten, and wounded and captured at Port Hudson; *Richard Williams,*
- Co.I (became Co.B on re-organization in 1862), "Wilcox True Blues"- from Wilcox county. Captains: D. Wardlaw Ramsey, captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.
- Co.K (became Co.C on re-organization in 1862), " Guards of the Sunny South"- from Lowndes county. Captains: James D. Conyers, resigned; John T. Stubbs, captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.
- Co.H (1862), " - from Macon county. Captains: C. A. Stanton, captured at Island Ten and resigned; C. C. Knowles, captured at Port Hudson.



Co. I, (1862), " - from Barbour county. Captain William H. Pruitt, captured at Port Hudson.

Co. K, (1862), " John Gill Shorter Artillery" - from Autauga and Montgomery counties. Captain: J. F. Whitfield, captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.





FIRST REGIMENT ALABAMA INFANTRY.

This was the first regiment raised under the act of the Legislature of Alabama, (January, 1861), authorizing the enlistment of troops for twelve months. The companies composing it, as organized, were ordered to rendezvous at Pensacola, for the purpose of relieving the temporary volunteer troops from Alabama and Mississippi, then occupying the captured forts Barrancas and McRae, and the Warrenton Navy Yard. The first companies reached here about the 10th of February, 1861; the others within a few weeks. These companies were raised in Barbour county, commanded by Captains Alpheus Baker, John Clark and Jere Williams. Two from Pike; Captains Augustus Owen and Dawson. One from Wilcox, Captain I.G.W. Steedman. One from Tallapoosa, Captain J.D. Meadows. One from Talladega, Captain Johnson. One from Lowndes, Captain J.D. Conyers. One from Mobile, Captain Ben. Lane Posey.

From these companies the first Alabama volunteers was organized about the first day of April, 1861, by the election of Colonel Henry D. Clayton; Lieut. Colonel, J.G.W. Steedman, and Major, Jere Williams; appointed Quartermaster, Capt. L.F. Johnson; Commissary, Captain Henry Shorter; Adjutant, S.H. Dent; Surgeon and Assistant Surgeons, J.D. Caldwell and Walter Curry.

Very soon after its organization the first Alabama was transferred to the Confederate States Army, by order of the Alabama Legislature, and the consent of the regiment. It was the nucleus around which Gen. Bragg organized the Army of Pensacola, (the most thorough organization ever made in the Confederate States). The regiment was assigned to duty in Fort Barrancas and the numerous heavy batteries lining the bay shore in that vicinity, these batteries being built and mounted chiefly by this regiment, after tremendous labor in the sand, under a scorching sun, by men hitherto unaccustomed to manual labor. Here they received that thorough instruction in heavy artillery, which enabled them to perform such efficient

service in that arm on many trying occasions, during the succeeding periods of the war. They were at the same time trained in infantry tactics. It was to this severe discipline that the regiment owed much of its subsequent efficiency.

The First Alabama was composed of the best material of the state; men actuated solely by principle and patriotism. In its ranks were such men as Cochran, Pugh and Bullock; and the "esprit du corps" infused by such influences ever characterized the First Alabama in all its eventful career through the war. A portion of the First Alabama was engaged in the fight on Santa Rosa Island, during its whole duty. The whole regiment participated in the heavy artillery bombardments of the 23d of November, and the 1st of January, 1862, and for its gallantry on these occasions received complimentary orders from General Bragg. Like all the Pensacola army, this regiment suffered very severely from measles, camp fever and all the diseases incident to raw troops in a hot latitude.

At the end of the twelve month's service, the First Alabama, being the oldest regiment of the Confederate army, was first called upon to re-enlist for the war. It promptly responded, and seven companies were enlisted for the war; Captains Clark and Baker's companies from Barbour county, and Captain Posey's from Mobile not re-enlisting. The re-enlisted men and officers were furloughed home to recruit, and upon their return the seven companies were full to the maximum. In the meantime three new companies were raised for the regiment. One from Montgomery and Autauga, commanded by Captain J.F. Whitfield. One from Macon, Captain C.A. Stanton. One from Barbour, Captain William Pruitt. The regiment was reorganized by the election of Colonel I.G. ^{W.} Steedman, Lieut. Colonel M.B. Locke; Major S.L. Knox. Appointed Quartermaster, Captain Duncan Carmichael; Commissary, Captain Brad. Sullins; Surgeon, Dr. Shackelford; Adjutant, S.D. Steedman.

Colonel Clayton had resigned for the purpose of raising the Thirty-ninth Alabama, and was afterwards promoted to a Major Generalship. Major Jese Williams retired from the army in consequence of feeble health.

After the fall of Fort Donelson, the First Alabama was ordered to the garrison of Island Ten on the Mississippi river, reaching there on the 12th of March, 1862, one thousand strong. It participated in the severe and trying seige which ended in the surrender of the small force left there for the purpose of sacrifice; while the fortifications of Fort Pillow were being strengthened. The conduct of this regiment was especially conspicuous, amid the general demoralization resulting from a badly organized army under incompetent commanders. This regiment maintained its discipline throughout, receiving complimentary orders from the general commanding. A small battalion of the regiment escaped capture by wading, and swimming when necessary, the Reelfoot lake which lay in the rear of the army and prevented its retreat. The mass of the regiment, about eight hundred men and officers, were distributed as prisoners of war in military prisons of the Northwest; the men principally in Chicago and Springfield Illinois; the officers on Johnson's Island, (Lake Erie). They remained in prison for six months, enduring all the hardships and insults incident to such a life.

During this six months, the Battalion of the regiment which had escaped capture, was doing efficient service, under the command of Captain R.H. Isbell, first in the defence of Fort Pillow, and after its evacuation in the brigade of the lamented General Willipigue, in the campaign of the summer of 1862 in North Mississippi. This battalion participated in the hard fought battle of Corinth, and constituted a portion of the rear guard of the army in the difficult retreat after that disaster.

The first Alabama were released from prison on the first general exchange of prisoners at Vicksburg, on the 16th of September, 1862. It rendezvoused a few days in camp at Jackson, Miss. Here, through the kindness of the ladies of Mobile, the regiment was re-clothed, no furloughs being granted men or officers. Without being even armed it was at once ordered to Port Hudson on the Mississippi where it was joined by its gallant

little battalion. Upon summing up here it was found that the regiment had lost three hundred men by the campaign of Island Number Ten and the resulting imprisonment of six months; one hundred and fifty, ^{having} actually died in prison.

Under the thorough recruiting system always adopted by this regiment, it was soon filled up to its original standard, and its discipline and efficiency restored under the firm, but impartial command of Colonel Steedman, the thorough soldier commanding it. At Port Hudson the regiment was again assigned to heavy batteries, which the men had to construct and mount after great labor. Coming as they did into this malarial region in the fall, debilitated by imprisonment, the men suffered greatly from malarial fever and diarrhas. At this time and afterwards, Drs. Hamilton of Mobile and Madding of North Alabama, were surgeon and assistant surgeon for the regiment and were always favorites with it.

In the memorable seige of Port Hudson which began on the 27th of May 1863, the first Alabama especially distinguished itself. Those who participated in its unequal struggle, give to this regiment the highest praise for the conspicuous gallantry with which their tried soldiers repulsed the numerous assaults made by the enemy upon its lines; also for the uncomplaining fortitude with which they stood the scorching rays of a summer sun, and the pinchings of hunger when the provisions of the garrison had been exhausted. When called upon by the commanding General to know if they would eat mule meat rather than surrender, they replied---"yes! give us dog, if necessary!" The loss of the regiment during the seige, was about one hundred and fifty men, Killed and wounded. With the balance of the little army, this regiment was again surrendered, but the non-commissioned officers and privates were paroled, and permitted to go to their homes as best they could, through the pine wastes of East Louisiana, South Mississippi and West Alabama. The officers of the regiment were kept as prisoners of war. For two months they were confined in prison in New Orleans; thence they were sent by sea to New York, and

from there by rail to Johnson Island, on Lake Erie. The majority of these gallant officers were never exchanged, but languished in the various Northern prisons, for nearly two years, suffering all the rigors of the unvivified retaliatory measures so much in vogue during the last year of this horrible war.

After a short furlough the men of this regiment and the few officers who had escaped capture, were ordered to rendezvous on the 19th of September, 1863, in parole camp at Cahaba. On the 16th of October, 1861, they were declared exchanged; and on the 10th of November, the regiment, under command of Major Samuel L. Knox, reported to General Joseph E. Johnston, at Meridian, Mississippi, mustering six hundred and ten muskets. Here the regiment participated in the campaign against General Sherman, in his famous raid from Vicksburg to Meridian. When the army reached the Tombigbee river, the first Alabama was ordered to the garrisons of Forts Powell and Gaines, where it reported to Major General Maury on the 25th of March. After a short stay here, on the 5th of May it was ordered to Pollard, Alabama. Taking advantage of this rest, the regiment was again recruited; and on the 23rd of May, 1864, when it reported in the Army of Tennessee, at Altoona, to General Johnston, it numbered six hundred muskets, the regiment being in perfect order, exciting the admiration of the army.

From this time forward, until the close of the war, the history of the first Alabama is identified with that of the Army of Tennessee. The regiment was temporarily attached to Canty's Alabama brigade, and with it fought the battle of New Hope Church on the 28th of May. Immediately after this I was transferred to Quarles' brigade, where it remained until the close of the war. On the 27th of June the first Alabama took a conspicuous part in the battle of Kensaw Mountain. Its ranks being full, and occupying a prominent position on the mountain, its gallant conduct was remarked by all. It was again actively engaged on the 19th of July in the battle of Peach-tree Creek, and suffered considerable loss. The most destructive, if not the most desperate battle, in which the first Alabama has ever participated, was around Atlanta, on the 28th of July, 1864.

It was engaged in the desperate assault made against the enemy's lines on this day. The heroic manner in which these gallant and tried soldiers withstood the frightful destruction rained upon them from the enemy's works, has stamped them as heroes. One half of the regiment, (about 300) were killed and wounded on this field.

When Atlanta was evacuated the first Alabama withdrew with the rest of the army, on the line of the Macon and Atlanta Rail Road. It remained here until the beginning of General Hood's bold, but disastrous campaign in the rear of General Sherman, and against Nashville. The first Alabama shared all the toils and marches and battles of this campaign. At Franklin, Tennessee, the whole regiment was engaged in the assault upon the works of that place. Its loss here in killed, wounded and captured was very heavy, perhaps 150 men. It was here, while gallantly leading the regiment, that Major Samuel L. Knox received his mortal wound, dying a few days afterwards. Alabama has never produced a more gallant young officer than he was.

Again in the battle before Nashville the first Alabama was engaged, losing heavily, (total about seventy-five.)

Exhausted and worn out the regiment reached Verona, Mississippi, with the remnants of Stewart's Corps, and on the 16th of January, 1865, was ordered with the Army of Tennessee to North Carolina. After much delay and great suffering the regiment reached Goldsboro, North Carolina; a small portion of the regiment participating in the two last battles of the war, Averysboro and Bentonville. On the last day of the last battle at sundown, Lieutenant Wm. Williamson of the first Alabama was mortally wounded--as true a christian soldier and patriot as ever lived, he was beloved by all.

The first Alabama was present and ended its career at the surrender of General Joseph E. Johnston to General Sherman, on the 27th of April, 1865, at Greensboro, North Carolina. At this time the regiment did not number exceeding one hundred. Upon its rolls during the whole war there are not

less than three thousand names.

In as meagre an outline as this sketch is, it is impossible to enter into the detail of the regimental history. And where all its men and officers have proved themselves heroes throughout this terrible war, it is impossible to designate individuals. The fame of the first Alabama is without a stain; none can say aught against it. It never faltered upon a battlefield, or failed to obey promptly and without murmur, every order.

It was conspicuous in every command in which it served throughout the war, for its discipline and thorough soldier-like conduct. It was ever pointed to as a model regiment. Desertion was unknown to its ranks. The same high-toned, patriotic "esprit du corps," which characterized its early history, was maintained to the last. Its dead lie scattered upon many battlefields, and in the cold, dismal burial grounds of Northern prisons. Peace be to their ashes; and may Alabama honor their memories by caring for their widows and orphans.



(Perry & Smith's Montgomery Directory, 1866. pp. 53-56.)

CHAPTER IV.

THE ALABAMA INFANTRY REGIMENTS—BRIEF HISTORY OF EACH ORGANIZATION—THEIR SERVICE AS SHOWN BY THE OFFICIAL RECORDS.

THE First Alabama infantry was the first in Alabama to enlist for one year, the first to re-enlist, and has the distinction of having served, though several times reorganized, from the beginning to the end of the conflict. Enlisting in March, 1861, it assembled at Pensacola and immediately began the hardest of work—in preparing for defense. It was assigned to the batteries and soon earned the title, "Bragg's best artillerists." Col. Henry D. Clayton served during the year 1861; at the end of one year the regiment reorganized under Col. Isaiah G. W. Steedman. It took part in the battle of Santa Rosa, and was in the bombardment of Pensacola, where it earned high renown. Ordered to Memphis, March, 1862, it saw constant service until at Island No. 10, where a large part of the regiment was captured; the remainder were in the battle of Corinth.

In September the Island No. 10 prisoners were exchanged and the regiment was ordered to Port Hudson, where most of them were again captured. The enlisted men, 610 strong, were exchanged, and under command of the officers who escaped capture, fought at New Hope and Kenesaw, where a brilliant record was made; Peach Tree creek, Atlanta, Franklin, Nashville, Averasboro, and Bentonville. The regiment was greatly distinguished, suffering many losses in these battles, including Major Snodgrass, the commander, who fell while leading his troops in the battle of Franklin.

First Regiment, Infantry.

Organized under an act of the Legislature, January, 1861, for twelve months service and ordered to Pensacola, where the organization was completed in March, 1861.

The subsequent history of the services rendered by this regiment is on file with the Muster Rolls, which show the following officers and companies, viz:

Henry D. Clayton	Colonel.
I. G. W. Steadman	Lieutenant Colonel.
Jerry N. Williams	Major.
S. H. Dent	Adjutant.

Leroy F. Johnson	A. Q. M.
J. D. Caldwell	Surgeon.
Walker Curry	Assistant Surgeon.
John W. Purifoy	Sergeant Major.
Co. A. John W. Clark	Captain.
Co. B. Alpheus Baker	Captain.
Co. C. George W. Dawson	Captain.
Co. D. Ben Lane Posey	Captain.
Co. E. Augustus H. Owens	Captain.
Co. F. James D. Meadows	Captain.
Co. G. Robert H. Isbell	Captain.
Co. H. James W. Mabrey	Captain.
Co. 1. D. Wardlaw Ramsey	Captain.
Co. K. John T. Stubbs	Captain.

Vol. VI—(460) Report of General Anderson of battle of Santa Rosa, October 8, 1861. (492) General Bragg's report of bombardment of Pensacola, November 22-23, 1861, says: "Col. H. D. Clayton, First regiment of Alabama volunteers, whose entire regiment served both days at the batteries, has received the just commendation of the general. This gallant regiment has toiled for nearly ten months in the construction and garnishment of the works they almost despaired of using. Having been the first on the ground, much the largest portion of the labor fell to their lot. When least expected, the opportunity has been offered to test their skill, and most nobly have they availed themselves of it." (784) General Bragg calls it "a well-instructed body of artillery." (819) In Gen. Sam Jones' brigade, Bragg's army, February 1, 1862. (838) General Jones, Pensacola, March 5, 1862, says: "First Alabama leaves for Memphis this evening."

Vol. VII—(915) Ordered to Fort Pillow under command of General Withers. Memorandum of General Beauregard, March 3, 1862.

Vol. VIII—(129) Colonel Steedman's First Alabama regiment rendered gallant and efficient service on the 17th of March, 1862.—Report of Gen. J. P. McCown. (161) Commended in report of Capt. E. W. Rucker, regarding Madrid Bend and Island No. 10. (174-175) Report of Col. I. G. W. Steedman, Island No. 10: "Lieutenants Owens and Sanford acted gallantly as men could act." Lieutenant Clark killed, 5 men wounded. (778) "I sent you the First Alabama regiment two days ago; they are Bragg's best artillerists."—Gen. Leonidas Polk, March 13th.

Vol. XV—(276-277) Report of Gen. Frank Gardner, Port Hudson, March 14, 1863: "Battery served by 4 companies of Colonel Steedman's regiment; the other companies posted as sharpshooters. Gallant conduct of men at batteries deserving of highest praise." (278) One officer wounded, Port Hudson, La., March 14, 1863. (841) Aggregate present for duty 312—report of Gen. Wm. N. R. Beall, Port Hudson, October 22, 1862. (1033) Heavy artillery, Colonel Steedman commanding, March 31, 1863. (1062) Heavy artillery, Lieut.-Col. M. B. Locke commanding.

Vol. XVII, Part 2—(600) Abstract from statement of

troops at and about Grenada, Miss., June 14, 1862. Aggregate 169, commanded by General Villepigue. (661) Aggregate 193, with General Van Dorn at Vicksburg, July, 1862. (726) "Steedman's regiment at Port Hudson."—General Ruggles' letter to Van Dorn, October 11, 1862. (815) With General Pemberton in Mississippi, December, 1862.

No. 38—(613) In heavy artillery brigade, department of Mississippi, General Pemberton. (707) Same assignment, April 20, 1863, Col. I. G. W. Steedman.

No. 41—(36-37) Report of Lieut.-Col. M. B. Locke of operations near Port Hudson, May 17, 1863: "Capt. J. G. Stubbs, Company C, held the enemy in check until nearly surrounded." Captain Pruett and Lieutenant Creggies mentioned. One man wounded. (143) Paroled at Port Hudson, July, 1863. (144) Lieut. Thomas Frank killed at siege of Port Hudson. (147) Killed 2, wounded 2. Casualties in General Beall's brigade up to June 1, 1863. (156) Killed 2, wounded 8. Report of Colonel Steedman, operations May 25th to July 7th, Port Hudson. (157) Report of Colonel Steedman, May 26th, mentions Lieutenant-Colonel Locke. (161) Report of Colonel Steedman, June 10th, mentions Capts. J. F. Whitfield and James D. Meadows, also Maj. Samuel L. Knox. (156-163) Reports of Colonel Steedman, June 29th, Major Knox commanding. (163) April 20th, Colonel Steedman says: "The fine discipline and buoyant spirits of the regiment were conspicuous during the entire siege. In their exposed position they were assaulted incessantly, almost every day and night, but never successfully." (166) Mentioned in Lieut.-Col. J. H. Wingfield's report. (551) Report of Gen. Wm. Dwight, U. S. A., before Port Hudson, says: "First Alabama is 500 strong."

No. 42—(18) Letter of Lieutenant-Colonel Locke, commanding, May 25, 1863. (104) Letter of Capt. J. P. Jones, Port Hudson, July 5th, states: "First Alabama 585 strong." (431) Letter of Gen. Dabney H. Maury, Mobile, November 21st, speaks of expected arrival of First Alabama.

No. 56—(630) Ordered to Meridian, Miss., November 4, 1863.

No. 58—(563) Asked for by General Maury, January 15, 1864. (583) January 20, 1864, aggregate, 745. (703) General Maury asks General Polk, February 10th: "Please send me Colonel Steedman's regiment to serve as heavy

artillery." (734) "I shall send you the First Alabama regiment, General."—Polk to Maury, February 13th. (769) "First Alabama has arrived."—Maury to Polk, February 19th.

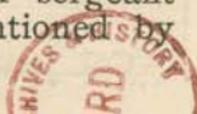
No. 59—(861) Major Knox commanding, with troops in district of the Gulf, April 30, 1864.

No. 65—(425) Mentioned by General Ashboth, U. S. A., affair at Bayou Grand, August 7, 1864. Spoken of as First Alabama artillery, number 400.

No. 66—(89) General Ashboth, U. S. A., Barrancas, May 9, 1864, says: "First Alabama infantry is at Pollard."

No. 74—(646) In General Cantey's division, Second brigade, army of Mississippi, July 10, 1864. (653) Walthall's division, June 30th, Major Knox commanding. (660) Same assignment. (665) In Quarles' brigade, General Walthall's division, Stewart's corps, army of Tennessee, July 31st. (671) Assignment as above, August 31, 1864. (894) Gen. D. H. Reynolds, of Walthall's division, in front of Atlanta, July 19th, says: "Major Knox arrived with his regiment." (923) General Walthall, September 3d, says: "Major Knox in command of the First Alabama regiment, a fine officer and veteran regiment, reports that the enemy came within 30 yards of his lines at almost all points," battle of Kenesaw, June 27th.

No. 74—(930) Gen. William A. Quarles, writing July 1, 1864, of the same operations, says: "To the First Alabama is due the whole credit of the most brilliant affair it has ever been my fortune to witness. I respectfully and most earnestly recommend the promotion of Major Knox. He has exhibited his capacity for higher rank on the field where commissions are most worthily won." (932) August 6th, General Quarles says: "Colonel (Major) Knox, of the First Alabama, well known as one of the most promising officers in the army, was severely and dangerously wounded in the early part of the action. It is praise enough of him to say that up to the time of his fall he sustained his former reputation." (933) "And to Lieutenant Neal, acting assistant-surgeon, First Alabama, I am much indebted for the zeal and promptness of [his] conduct." (934) Major Knox in report of same operations says: "We captured 18 prisoners, one of them Captain Wakefield, of the Fifty-third Indiana. We lost 1 sergeant killed and 5 privates wounded." (937) Mentioned by Gen. D. H. Reynolds in his report of same.



No. 78—(855) September 20, 1864, same assignment, regiment commanded by Maj. Samuel L. Knox; inspection report gives Acting Lieut.-Col. Richard Williams.

Vol. XCIII—(666) Same assignment in army of Tennessee, Gen. S. D. Lee; Lieut. Charles M. McRae commanding regiment December 20, 1864. (685) Maj. S. L. Knox wounded and captured at Franklin. (725) Colors of First Alabama among others lost, color-bearers either killed or captured at Franklin.—General Walthall's report of battle.

Vol. XCVIII—(1063) Shelley's brigade, Stewart's corps, Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, as constituted after April 9, 1865 (consolidated with Sixteenth, Thirty-third and Forty-fifth Alabama), under Col. Robert H. Abercrombie.

Vol. C—(735) Quarles' brigade with Seventeenth and Twenty-ninth, commanded by Capt. Benjamin H. Screws, March 31, 1865. (773) Assignment as above.



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Roll of the Eufaula Rifles--presented by Marshall W.King,
Montgomery, Ala. July 6, 1908.

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This company was mustered in the Confederate service at Eufaula,
Feb. 9, 1861; took part as one company of the escort of Jeff Davis
when he was inaugurated as President Confederate States Feb. 17, 1861.
Served 12 months as Co. B, 1st Ala. Infantry.

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Tom Haydon-----	" "
Angus McLeod-----	
Lieut. Dent-----	" "
Sgt. Shields-----	
A. Veal-----	
C. L. Smith-----	
Jas. Whitney-----	
Jas. H. Stewart-----	
Richd. Hamilton-----	
Lieut. Smith-----	
Geo. A. Sporman-----	
A. A. Couric-----	



Willis Fort, Servant.

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Hyposulphate Soda. One Oz. to 24 table spoonful of water. Dissolve
& take one spoonful after each meal. When suffering repeat every
half hour till relieved.

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Bayonets-----	3
Sheaths-----	6
Knapsacks-----	3
cap boxes-----	7
Body belts-----	5
Belts-----	6
Cartridge boxes-----	5
Breast plates-----	3
belt-----	2
Cartridge"-----	1

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Tallahassee Rifles

first called Andrew Jackson Guards

Raised as an Independent Company of 1860-61
in Tallahassee County on Jan. 2, 1861 and
mustered into the Army of Ala. for State Service
on March 20, 1861 as Company "F" 1st Regt.

Ala. Vol. Inf. This Company was mustered
into C. S. S. service on April 27, 1861
with the 1st Regt. On April 8, 1862

at the reorg of the 1st Regt. This Company
became Company "C" and remained the
same through the war. Captain

B. B. McCraw, James H. Meadows and
McCraw



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To any free wated Southern man
I know the name you refer to be
One of the Souths most faith full
servants to one of her bravest sons
Capt Stradman Ernest Buddin James
Stewart of Co. B 1st Alabama
volunteers. help him any way
you can for the sake of the
lost cause
yours faith fully Sweet Alabama

HR-1

John Gill ~~Shooter~~ Artillery
Co. K., 1st Ala. Inf. Regt.

In census return of Mr
A. Smith, Acosta Co. 24.





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Director

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In Page's brigade of the Foot Troops
of the District of the Gulf, served as adjutant
April 30, 1864 - Ser no 59, p. 861

Organization of the Army of Mississippi
of June 10, 1864 shows 1st Lt
in Second Brigade in Brig. Gen. County,
Miss - Ser no 74, p. 646.

org of June 30, in Quaker
Brigade - Ibid, p. 653.

organization of July 10, in
County's brigade, p. 660

organization of Aug 9 Texas
July 31, in Quaker Brigade
org Aug of Ten August 31
in Quaker's Brigade

Sept 20, 1864 ^{ser of Tenn} Quaker Brigade, Ser no, 78,
p. 855. Dec 10, 1864 - in Quaker Brigade, ser no 5
ser no John - ser no 93, p. 666 p. 725

Johnston Aug April 9, 1865
in Shelby Brigade - ser no 98,

p. 1063.



April 30, 1864 in Page's brigade
of the troops of the district of the
Gulf, serving as Artillery. S.N. 57. p. 501.

June 10, 1864 in second brigade of the
division commanded by Gen'l Canby. S.N. 74. p. 644

June 30, 1864 in Quarles' brigade. S.N. 74
p. 659.

July 10, 1864 in Canby's brigade. " p. 660

July 31, ¹⁸⁶⁴ in Quarles' Brigade

For April 9, 1865, in Shelly's brigade. S.N. 98,
p. 1063.

1st

J. G. W. Steedman, Colonel, St. Louis, - 2803 Pine St.

Col. ~~J. G. Steedman~~ St. Louis, Mo. ^{Montgomery,}
~~Reems, Col. Gray.~~ ^{James N. Williams, Major,}
_{ord Serjt.}

C.A. H. A. Jones, [^] Montgomery.

? John F. Burnus, ^{1st Lt deceased.} Burnsville
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" R. C. Boon, Phoenix City.

" W. J. Stanley.

B. R. E. McWilliams, Camden,

" A. J. Chappel, Cookville

" J. W. Stennis, Petrey

" G. A. Edwards, Tallassee.

" S. M. Henderson, Chapman.
Robert Dampier, Winnsboro, S.C.

C. J. T. Stubbs, De Funiak.

" Dr. S. E. Winnemore, Benton

" W. Kirkpatrick, Ft. Deposit

J. W. Aringer, Ft. Deposit

D. Thomas Taylor, Fayetteville

Dan H. Patterson, Arcadia, La.

" Wm. M. Barnett, Talladega Springs.

W. F. Bailey, Emsley.

" J. D. Beasley, Best.



D. W. P. Hutchinson, Fayetteville
V. Barryfield, Anderson.
" John Edwards, Fayetteville
K. J. Thomas, Fayetteville
" R. B. Cates, ^{2nd St.} Selma
N. J. Riley, Wilsonville.
" A. B. Jones, Emersgreen.
Wm. M. Donahoo, Stoval, La.
E. F. Brame

W. M. Price, Log Town.

H. H. Crew, Tuskegee.

M. J. Coker, Prattville.

Jas Johnson, Banks

D. W. Hughes, Prouto

J. L. Coker, Robinson Springs.

H. C. C. Davis, Tuskegee, Ala.
W. M. Dick, Jackson's Gap.
C. T. Carter, Haw Ridge.

G. J. E. Bradleyton, Bradleyton
Ed Summerville, ^{Prouto} Bradleyton Ala
" W. A. Crassley, Banks.

George W. Etheridge, Castleberry.

L. Reeves, ^{Prouto} Troy.



G. ^{Srvt} J. M. Stuckey, Montgomery.

E. Y. McMorris, ^{Srvt Belmont} ~~Plantersville~~

H. ^{Hector McLean, Srvt, Inverness; Thos B. Miles, Srvt, Union Springs}
S. W. Mahone, Greeneville
J. Y. Mahone, ^{Srvt} Notasulga.

J. W. May, Ausley.

J. M. Bennette, Auburn.

G. R. Dobbs, Armstrong

R. D. Aunn, Loachapoka

G. A. Gillespie, Prattville

E. C. Jackson, Auburn

B. F. Perkins, Loachapoka.

I. J. B. Mitchel, Carrie
W. F. Due

George W. Trimble, Dothan.

K. J. S. Funnell, Prattville

J. W. Killough, Prattville

J. F. Kirkpatrick, Fort Deposit.

James D. Rice, Prattville

N. Sanders, Kent.

L. James Meehan, Montgomery.
(Dr. J. S. Lexter, Srvt)



Extract showing the Conduct of 1st
Alabama at the bombardment of
Pensacola, Nov. 22 & 23, 1863 - from
Gen Braxton Bragg's official report
December 4, 1861 - ~~an~~ official
War Records, Serial No. 6 - pp. 489-493

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Guards Sunny South.

Raised as an Independent Company of
1860-61 in Lawrence County on Dec. 1, 1860
and mustered in Army of Va. for State
service on March 20, 1861 as Company "K"
1st Regt. Ala. Vol. Inf. This Company
was mustered into C. S. A. with the
1st Regt. on April 27, 1861. Company "K"
became Company "C" when the 1st Regt
reorganized on April 8, 1862 and remained
the same through the war. Captains
James W. Conyers and John T. Stubbs



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3 Roll of Alabama (Milledgeville) Rifles

609. 1st Regt. Ala. vols. U. S. A

6 1861-65

7 Compiled by

8 1st Lieut S. Z. Goodlet, Company Historian

9 2nd Capt. S. R. Wheeler, Assistant "

10 Filed with

11 E. Y. Morris, Regimental Historian

12 Jan 16, 1862.

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1st Alabama (Consolidated 16th, 33^d,
45th Alabama) in N. C. after April 9, 1865,
Col. Robert H Abercrombie commanding.-
O. W. R. No. 98, p. 1063.



Brewer in his sketch of the 16th Alabama
is not accurate in the statement that this
regiment was "consolidated with the 1st and
45th Alabama regiments" - Brewer's Alabama
p. 616.

John Gill Shorter's Artillery.

Raised as an Independent Company in the
early part of 1862 from Montgomery & Autauga Counties
and mustered into C. S. A. service on
April 7, 1862 as Company "K" 1st Regt. Ala. Vol.
Inf. ~~The regt. of the 1st Regt. Captain's~~
~~This Company took the place made by~~
This Company filled the vacancy made by
some of the Co. disab. on Prerog. of the 1st Regt.
Captain John G. Whitfield.



Male Swingers.

Raised as an Independent Company in
Barbour County in the early part of 1862
and mustered into C. S. A. service on
April 8, 1862 as Company "D" 1st Regt. Ala.
Vol. Inf. Captains: William H. Pruitt,
Albert F. Crymes and John M. Brantly



Loachapoka Guards. Loachapoka,

Raised as an Independent Company at
Madison County on Feb. 15, 1862 and mustered
into U. S. Service on April 3, 1862 as
Company H. 1st Regt. Ala. Vol. Inf. at the
regiment of this Regt. Captains: C. C.
Stanton and C. C. Knowles.



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Rough & Ready Pioneers.

Raised as an Independent Company
of 1860-61 on Jan. 12, 1861 at Troy, Pike
County and mustered into Army of Ala.
for State Service on Feb. 28, 1861 as
Company "E" 1st. Regt. Ala. Vol. ~~Infantry~~
~~Company~~ ~~then~~ mustered into C. S. A. service
with the 1st. Regt. on April 27, 1861. This
Company remained Company "E" at the river
of the 1st. Regt. on April 27, 1862.
Captains, Augustus H. Owens



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Field and staff

Colonels.- Henry D. Clayton of Barbour county, till re-organized; Isaiah G. W. Steedman of Wilcox county, captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.

Lieutenant colonels.- Isaiah G. W. Steedman, promoted; ^{Isaiah} M. B. Locke of Pike county, wounded and captured at Port Hudson.

Majors.- Jere N. Williams of Barbour county, till re-~~agx~~ organized; Samuel L. Knox of Talladega county, captured at Island Ten and again at Port Hudson but escaped, wounded at Atlanta and killed in command of the regiment at Franklin.

Surgeons.- J. D. Caldwell; Walker Curry;Shackelford; MxHamilton of Mobile county.

Asst. Surgeons.-Madding.

Chaplain.- A. F. V. Bartlett.

A. C. S.- Henry ^{R.} Shorter; Brad Sullins.

A. Q. M.-Leroy F. Johnston; Duncan Carmichael.

Adjutant.- S. ^u Herbert Dent of Barbour county, resigned; Samuel D. Steedman of Wilcox county, captured at Island Ten and Port Hudson.

Sgt. Major.- John W. Purifoy of Wilcox county, *resigned after the first year*

Q. M. Sgt.- Thomas S. Haskins.



Ordnance Sgt.-

Color Sgt.-

1st Regiment Alabama Infantry
Perry and Smith's Directory of Montgomery, 1866.



See page 53 of

Clayton Guards

Raised as an Independent Company at
Clayton, Barbour County on Feb. 24, 1836
and reorg. as an Independent Company of
1860-61 on March 19, 1860 and mustered
into the Army of Ala for State Service
on Feb. 20, 1861 as Company H, 1st Regt.
Ala. Vol. Inf. and mustered into C. S. A.
service with the 1st Regt. on April
27, 1861. This Company became Company
F on the reorg. of the 1st Regt. on
April 8, 1862 and remained the
same through the War. Captains:
M. B. Fenn, Wiley D. Clayton, James W.
Mabrey and J. N. Williams



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Perote Guards.

Also called Perote Minute Men.

Raised as an Independent Company
on March 10, 1860 at Perote, Pike County,
and mustered into Army of Alabama for
State service on Feb. 13, 1861 as Company
"C" 1st Regiment Alabama Volunteer Infantry.
This Company remained as Company "C"
when the 1st Regiment was mustered
into C. S. A. service on April 29, 1861. This
Company became Company "G" on the
reorganization of the 1st Regiment on April
8, 1862 and remained the same through
1865. Captains: M. Singsfield, G. W. Pearson,
Michael B. Locke and Robert H. Riley.

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Pioneer Guards

Also called Eufaula Guards.

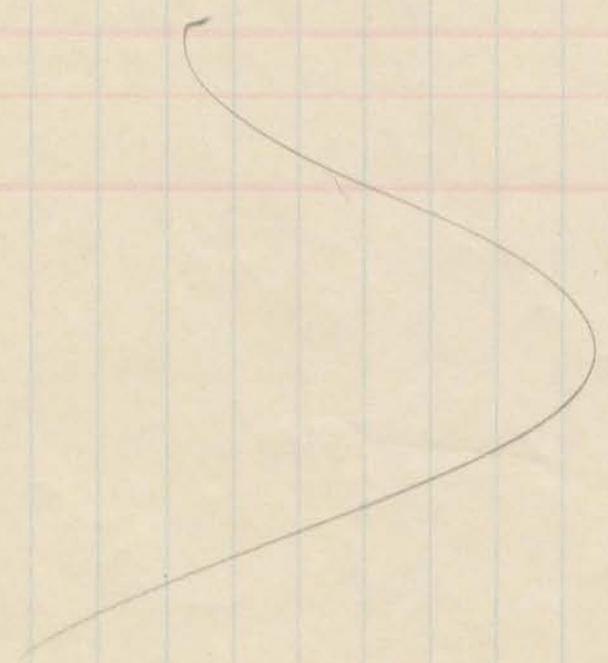
Raised as an Independent Company of 1860-61 at Eufaula, Barbour County on May 12, 1860 and mustered into the Army of Ala for State Service on April 13, 1861 as Company "D" 1st Regt. Ala. Vol. Inf. in place place of the Cherokee Greys which transferred to the 3rd (Coltart) Battalion. The Pioneer Guards were mustered into Q. S. S. service with the 1st Regt. Ala. on April 27, 1861. This Company disbanded on Feb 26, 1862* Captains William H. Chambers. and John W. Clark.

Captain Clarke formed a new Company which was Eufaula Art. Some of the members of Pioneer Guards joined the Regt. Bussell of the 1st and other Companies of the 1st also Capt. Robinson Co. Art.



Eufula Rifles.

Raised as an Independent Company of
1860-61 at Eufula, Barbour County on Feb.
7, 1861 and mustered into Army of Alabama
for State Service on Feb. 9, 1861 as Company
"D" 1st. Regiment Alabama Volunteers. This
Company remained the same when the
1st. Regiment was mustered into C. S. A.
service on April 27, 1861. This Company
disbanded when the 1st. Regiment
reorganized on April 8, 1862, some
members joined Kolbe's & Meade's Battery.
Captains: A. Baker and H. M. Smith



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Red Eagles.

61 Raised as an Independent Company of 1760-
in the early part of 1861 at Mobile,
Mobile County and mustered into the
Army of Ala for State service on
Feb 20, 1861 as company D 1st Regt.
Ala. Vol. Inf. This company was mustered
into C. S. A. service with the 1st Regt.
on April 27, 1861 and disbanded on
April 8, 1862 at the reorg. of the 1st.
some of its members joined with
Battery. Captain Ben Lane Posey

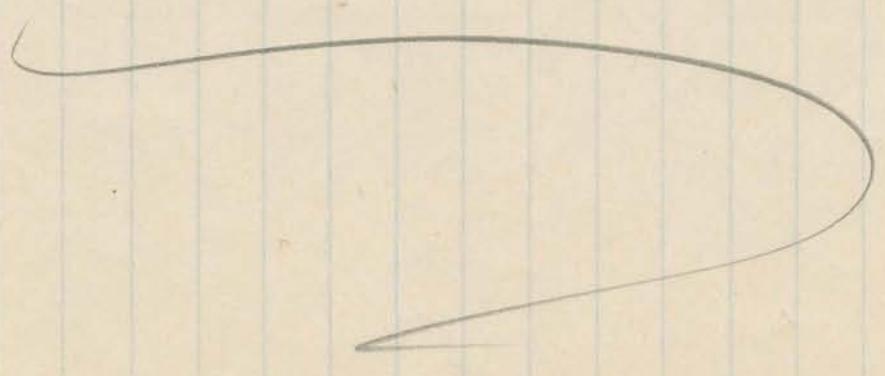


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Alabama Rifles.

Also called Talladega Rifles

Raised as an Independent Company
of 1860-61 at Talladega, Talladega
County on Oct. 1, 1860 and mustered
into Army of Ala. for state service on
March 20, 1861 as Company G 1st Regt.
Ala. Vol. Inf. This Company was mustered
into C. S. A. service along with the
1st Regt on April 29, 1861 and remained
until April 8, 1862 at which time
it became company "D" of the 1st
Regt at the reorg. of the 1st. Captains
Joseph H Johnson and R. H. Lebell.



Wilcox True Blues

Raised as an Independent Company of
1840-61 on Jan. 25, 1861 in Wilcox County,
and mustered into Army of Alabama for
State service as Company "K" 1st. Regiment
Alabama Volunteer Infantry on Feb. 9,
1861. This company became Company "J"
of the 1st. Regiment on April 27, 1861
when the 1st was mustered into C. S. A.
service. On April 8, 1862 this company
became Company "B" on the reorganization
of the 1st. Regiment it remained as
this through the War. Captains J. L.
W. Steedman and H. W. Ramsey



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INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR 1863



1 regt.

~~Co. A. Pioneer Guards. Captain John
W. Clarke (also called Eufaula Guards)
Barbour County. (disbanded after 1 yr)~~

~~Co. B Eufaula Rifles - Barbour County -
Captain Ephraim Baker disbanded after
1st year.~~

~~Co. C became Hon regt in 1862
Pike County. Geo.
W. Lawson till regt. M. B. Lock.~~

~~Co. D disbanded after 1st year,
Red Eagles Mobile Co.
Ben Lane Posey.~~

~~Co. E remained E on regt.
Rough & Ready Pioneer Pike Co.
Augustus H. Brown.~~

~~Co. F became Hon regt.
Tallapoosa Co. Tallapoosa Co.
Rifles James R. Meadows.~~

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Co. G became D on reg.

Ala. Rifles also called Talladega

Rifles Talladega Co.

Joseph H. Johnson.

Co. H. became F on reg.

Clayton Guard Barbours Co.

James W. Mabry.

Co. I became B on reg.

Wilcox True B. Co. Wilcox Co.

W. Wardlaw Ramsey.

Co. K became C on reg.

Guards of the Army South Lowndes Co.

James H. Conyers.

2nd Co. H org 1862.

A. Stanton Macon Co.



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REPORT OF A CORPORAL OF COMPANY H, FIRST ALABAMA INFANTRY REGT.

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