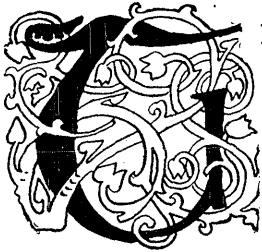


## SIXTH REGIMENT INFANTRY.



HIS regiment was organized at Baltimore, Md., from August 12 to September 8, 1862, to serve three years. It was mustered out, in accordance with orders from the War Department, by reason of close of the Civil War, June 20, 1865. This regiment, raised in pursuance of President Lincoln's call of July 2, 1862, was essentially a representative Maryland regiment. Eight companies were recruited in counties representing different sections of the State, as follows :

Company A, Carroll County; Company B, Cecil County; Company C, Carroll County; Company D, Frederick County; Company E, Cecil County; Company G, Cecil County; Company H, Washington County; Company K, Queen Anne's County; and two companies, F and I, were recruited in the City of Baltimore.

The regiment rendezvoused at Baltimore City and, after a brief period for drill and discipline, left September 20, 1862, to join the Army of the Potomac, then in Western Maryland, where it was assigned to the Maryland Brigade, 8th Army Corps. Subsequently the following assignments were made :

March 28, 1863, to the 3d Brigade, 2d Division, 8th Army Corps.

June 16, 1863, to the 1st Brigade, 2nd Division, 8th Army Corps.

July 9, 1863, to the 2d Brigade, 3d Division, 3d Army Corps.

March 24, 1864, to the 2d Brigade, 3d Division, 6th Army Corps, where it remained until the close of the war.

With the Maryland Brigade, the regiment remained on the upper Potomac until December, 1862, when it marched to and encamped on Bolivar Heights, Harper's Ferry, Virginia.

On the 28th day of March, 1863, the 6th Regiment was detached from the Maryland Brigade and ordered to Berryville, Va., where it was assigned to McReynolds' (3d) Brigade, 2d Division, 8th Army Corps.

On June 13, 1863, Rhodes' Division of the Confederate army, under Lee, attacked this brigade at Berryville, Va., when, after a brief skirmish, McReynolds retired towards Winchester, Va. Whilst *en route*, they were again attacked on the same day at the ford on Opequan Creek, when the 6th Regiment and a section of Alexander's Battery of Maryland Artillery handsomely repulsed the enemy, with severe loss. Immediately on arriving at Winchester, the regiment took part in the battle then raging there, where the entire Confederate army was being concentrated, with the hope of a speedy capture of Winchester, along with General Milroy's Division of the 8th Army Corps.

The 6th Regiment occupied the Star Fort, and defended it with great gallantry during the days of the 14th and 15th of June, 1863, and until ordered to retire with the Division. In its efforts to cut its way through the enemy's line, at daylight on the 15th, the 6th Regiment took part in the engagement that ensued on the Martinsburg road and, by a skillful maneuver, passed around the enemy's flank and escaped almost intact, continuing the retreat to Harper's Ferry. The 6th was now assigned to the 2d Brigade, 3d Division, 3d Army Corps, with which it participated in the battles incident to the movements of the Army of the Potomac, under General Meade, in the autumn and winter of 1863-64, in Northern Virginia.