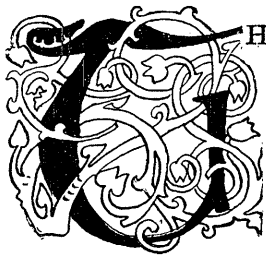


## SECOND REGIMENT POTOMAC HOME BRIGADE INFANTRY.

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THE Second Regiment of Infantry, Potomac Home Brigade, was organized at Cumberland, Maryland, from August 27, 1861, to October 31, 1861, to serve three years.

On the expiration of its term of service, the original members (except veterans) were mustered out and the veterans and recruits consolidated into a battalion of three companies, viz., companies A, B and C. A new company was organized in March, 1865, to serve one year, and assigned to this battalion as Company D.

The organization was mustered out of service May 29, 1865, in accordance with orders from the War Department.

Companies A, B, C, E, G, H, I and K were recruited in Allegany County, Company F at Hancock, Washington County, and Company D at Piedmont, Virginia, on the border land.

Immediately after the completion of the organization the regiment was assigned to duty in Western Virginia, in that part of the Army of West Virginia under General B. F. Kelly, and, for a brief time, under General F. W. Lander's command.

During the raid of General (Stonewall) Jackson's Confederate Army through Berkeley Springs to Hancock, Md., in January, 1862, and the subsequent movement of this Confederate Army to Romney, West Virginia, the 2d Regiment Potomac Home Brigade Infantry took a very active part, and had several severe skirmishes with the enemy. On September 17, 1862, the 2d Regiment Potomac Home Brigade Infantry had a skirmish with the enemy near Romney, West Virginia.

Company F of the 2d Regiment Potomac Home Brigade, Captain George D. Summers, had been mounted as cavalry and sent into the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia in the summer of 1863, where they rendered efficient service, more especially in a brisk skirmish at Berryville, Virginia, in June, 1863, with a portion of Rhodes' Division of Confederate Infantry, on their march to get to the rear of General Milroy's Division, then at Winchester, Virginia.

Subsequently this company was placed in a squadron under the temporary command of Captain George W. F. Vernon, of Company A, Cole's Battalion of Cavalry, Maryland Volunteers, and rendered valuable service during the Gettysburg campaign.

On October 7, 1863, Company F (Cavalry) of 2d Regiment Potomac Home Brigade had a skirmish with Gilmer's Battalion, Maryland Cavalry (Confederate), at Summit Point, where its gallant Captain, George D. Summer's was killed whilst leading his company in a cavalry charge.