

Archer to examine into the matter and settle the dispute. This Captain Archer did, and decided in favor of Captain Murray. But, notwithstanding this decision, when the two companies reached Winchester, Crane appealed to Steuart, and he also decided in favor of Captain Murray. Still Crane was not satisfied, and he appealed to General William E. Jones some weeks later, and that General suggested that they draw lots, and thus definitely settle the dispute. Again Captain Murray won, and the matter there ended.

Captain James R. Herbert's company was mustered in on the 11th of September, and that of Captain John W. Torsch, about the 14th of September. Captain Torsch had up to a short time before served in the company commanded by Captain Richard Thomas. Captain McAleer's company quickly followed that of Captain Torsch, making five companies in all.

The companies of Murray and Crane had already reported to General George H. Steuart, commandant at Winchester, and the companies of Herbert, Torsch and McAleer joined them on September 28, 1862. Upon reaching Winchester a fifth company was formed. The men composing it had come on from Richmond with Companies C, D and E, with the understanding that they should be allowed to form their own company upon reaching Winchester. This company was commanded by Captain Andrew J. Gwynn, of Prince George's.

The following is a list of the officers of the different companies :

OFFICERS.

COMPANY A.

Captain, WILLIAM H. MURRAY.

Lieutenants.

GEORGE THOMAS.

CLAPHAM MURRAY.

WILLIAM P. ZOLLINGER.

COMPANY B.

Captain, J. PARRAN CRANE.

Lieutenants.

JOHN H. STONE.

CHARLES B. WISE.

JAMES H. WILSON.

COMPANY C.

Captain, JAMES R. HERBERT.

Lieutenants.

F. C. DUVAL.

CHARLES W. HODGES.

JOSEPH W. BARBER.