

SIXTY-FIRST PENNSYLVANIA INFANTRY.

NEIL'S BRIGADE — GETTY'S DIVISION — SIXTH CORPS.

(1) COL. OLIVER H. RIPPEY (Killed).
(2) COL. GEORGE C. SPEAR (Killed).

(3) COL. GEORGE F. SMITH.
(4) COL. ROBERT L. ORR.

COMPANIES.	KILLED AND DIED OF WOUNDS.			DIED OF DISEASE, ACCIDENTS, IN PRISON, &c.			Total Enrollment.
	Officers.	Men.	Total.	Officers.	Men.	Total.	
Field and Staff.....	4	1	5	.	1	1	16
Company A	3	32	35	.	10	10	203
B	4	22	26	1	10	11	194
C	3	22	25	.	13	13	204
D	1	24	25	.	13	13	181
E	2	23	25	.	12	12	209
F .....	.	23	23	.	10	10	206
G .....	.	20	20	.	8	8	191
H .....	.	22	22	.	8	8	202
I	1	14	15	.	7	7	180
K	1	15	16	.	8	8	201
Totals.....	19	218	237	1	100	101	1,987

237 killed = 11.9 per cent.

Total of killed and wounded, 872 ; died in Confederate prisons (previously included), 19.

BATTLES.	K. & M.W.	BATTLES.	K. & M.W.
Fair Oaks, Va.....	92	Fort Stevens, D. C.....	6
Malvern Hill, Va.....	4	Charlestown, W. Va.....	8
Antietam, Md.....	1	Opequon, Va.....	3
Williamsport, Md.....	2	Fisher's Hill, Va.....	2
Fredericksburg, Va. (1862).....	2	Cedar Creek, Va.....	6
Marye's Heights, Va.....	15	Petersburg, Va., March 25, 1865.....	4
Wilderness, Va.,	34	Fall of Petersburg, Va.....	10
Spotsylvania, Va.....	44	Siege of Petersburg, Va.....	2
Cold Harbor, Va.....	2		

Present, also, at Yorktown ; Salem Heights ; Gettysburg ; Rappahannock Station ; Sailor's Creek ; Appomattox.

NOTES.—There were more officers killed in the Sixty-first Pennsylvania than in any other regiment in the entire Union Army. Colonel Rippey and four line officers were killed at Fair Oaks ; Colonel Spear and a Lieutenant fell dead at the storming of Marye's Heights ; Lieutenant-Colonel John W. Crosby was killed in the final and victorious assault of the Sixth Corps at Petersburg ; the adjutant and four other officers lost their lives at the Wilderness and Spotsylvania ; another fell at Malvern Hill ; another at Fort Stevens ; two at Cedar Creek, and two at Charlestown in the Shenandoah. With such officers to lead there was a consequent heavy loss among their men. At Fair Oaks the Sixty-first suffered the most of any regiment in that battle, its casualties amounting to 68 killed, 152 wounded, and 43 missing ; a total of 263, but not without exacting from the enemy an equivalent of loss, the official reports making mention of the large number of the enemy's dead which lay in front of the position occupied by the Sixty-first. While on the Peninsula it was in Abercrombie's Brigade, of Couch's Division, Fourth Corps. At Marye's Heights it formed part of the famous " Light Division " of the Sixth Corps, and through the Wilderness and Shenandoah campaigns it fought in Neil's (3d) Brigade, Getty's (2d) Division, Sixth Corps. Its losses at the Wilderness were 20 killed, 113 wounded, and 18 missing ; at Spotsylvania, 31 killed, 102 wounded, and 6 missing. It was organized at Pittsburg in August, 1861, reenlisted in 1864, and was mustered out June 28, 1865.