

CASUALTY LIST

88TH NEW YORK VOLUNTEER INFANTRY

FREDERICKSBURG VIRGINIA DECEMBER 13, 1862

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Meagher's Irish Brigade

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This list was prepared from a photocopy of an original casualty list I found in the National Archives, Washington, D.C., with entries from the "Annual Report of the Adjutant General of the State of New York," which is the 88th New York unit roster, and other sources. The names are placed in the same order as they are in the original list. When there is a difference in spelling between the roster, and the casualty list, I have used the name in the roster.

From Winfield S. Hancock's Official Report: "Colonel Patrick Kelly, commanding the 88th New York Volunteers, was active and resolute as he always is, and with his regiment performed their usual good service. The 88th numbered twenty-three commissioned officers and two hundred and twenty-nine enlisted men when the assault commenced, of which it lost twelve officers killed and wounded, and one hundred and fifteen enlisted men." Hancock was in command of the First Division, 2nd Corps. The Irish brigade was in this division.

The Official Report of Colonel Patrick Kelly, 88th New York, is dated December 20, 1862. He states that "...more than one-half of the regiment (was) killed and wounded." He states that 4 officers were killed, and 8 wounded, and 111 killed and wounded enlisted men.

From William F. Fox "Regimental Losses In The Civil War"

17 Killed, 97 Wounded, and 13 Missing, for a total of 127.

Fox states that 252 men were taken into battle, the percentage of casualties was 50.3, the number killed, and died of wounds, was 38, and the percentage of killed was 15.0.

From Frederick Phisterer "New York in the War of the Rebellion"

4 Officers Killed, and 20 Enlisted men.
4 enlisted men died of wounds.
8 Officers recovered from wounds, and 85 enlisted men.
6 missing, for a total of 127.

From David Power Conyngham "The Irish Brigade"

4 Officers Killed, and 8 wounded.
14 enlisted men killed, and 88 wounded.
10 missing, for a total of 124.

There is no recapitulation of casualties in the original casualty list.

"Consolidated Return of the Killed Wounded and Missing in "Meagher's Brigade" Hancock's Division, in the action at "Fredericksburg" Va from December 10th to December 15th, 1862

William Horgan age 30 years. Enrolled on September 16, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as captain, Company H, on September 20, 1861. Mustered in as major on September 22, 1862. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. Commissioned captain on December 31, 1861, with rank from September 20, 1861, original. Commissioned major on October 16, 1862, with rank from September 22, vice J. Quinlan, promoted. He was acting major in August, 1862, before his promotion to major.

St. Clair A. Mulholland, in Corby's "Memoirs Of Chaplain Life," states "The bodies of Major William Horgan, and Adjutant John R. Young, of the Eighty-eighth New York, lay nearest to the stone wall, and, by actual measurement, within twenty-five paces of the guns of the Washington Artillery."

Lieutenant William Miller Owens of the Washington Artillery of New Orleans states "A soldier of Meagher's Irish Brigade was the nearest body to the stone wall, and, by actual measurement, it lay within twenty-five paces of the stone wall." Michael Cavanaugh, from "Memoirs of General Thomas Francis Meagher." - "Among the killed of the Irish Brigade at Fredericksburg there was not one whose loss was more deplored by General Meagher than Major William Horgan, of the 88th Regiment. He had known him as a private, as sergeant, as captain, as major, and in all those positions found him worthy, willing, and brave – a true Irishman, and a true American. These sterling qualities won him, in life, the General's unlimited confidence and strong friendship, and actuated the latter in the exertions, which, with the remnant of his brother officers, he made to recover their gallant comrade's body, and send it home to New York to be buried with honors befitting a man faithful to his God, his Country, and his Flag.

After considerable time spent in the search, by the parties detailed under a flag of truce to bury the dead, and succor the wounded, the Major's body was found, General Meagher had it embalmed, and accompanied it to New York, as soon as his painful lameness permitted him to undergo the fatigues of the journey. He arrived home with his charges at noon on Christmas Day – when the Major's remains were conveyed to the old headquarters of the Irish Brigade, 596 Broadway, which had been tastefully arranged for their reception. There they were 'waked' for two days and three nights under charge of a 'guard of honor,' and on the following Sunday morning they were, in compliance with the request of the Committee of the Common Council on National Affairs, transferred to the Governor's Room in the City Hall, where they lay in state until 2 P.M., when, attended by the greatest funeral cortege seen in New York since the commencement of the war, they were conveyed to Calvary Cemetery and buried with befitting military honors, accompanied by the prayers of his people. General Meagher attended the funeral, having left his bed to pay this last tribute of respect and affection to his friend and comrade, but, this duty performed – he had to return to his invalid couch, and remain there for nearly a fortnight under a surgeon's care."

David Power Conyngham "The Irish Brigade and Its Campaigns," page 564

"Captain William Horgan was promoted major after Antietam, and was killed December 13, 1862, at Fredericksburg. A gallant and distinguished officer."

Major William Horgan is buried in Calvary Cemetery, Woodside, Long Island, New York City, in Section 4 Range or Avenue 6 Plot V Grave Number 10. Civil War Soldier's Plot Granite monument, excellent condition. The Civil War Soldier's Plot is 4 – 6/7 – V/W – GN 1/16

Thomas Murphy age 21 years. Enrolled on October 5, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as second lieutenant, Company A, on November 5, 1861. Promoted to first lieutenant on October 17, 1862. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. Commissioned second lieutenant on December 31, 1861, with rank from November 5, 1861, original. Commissioned first lieutenant on October 17, 1862, with rank from August 3, 1862, vice John C. Hurley, promoted.

John R. Young age 19 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company K, on October 14, 1861. Promoted to sergeant-major on December 15, 1861. Mustered in as second lieutenant, Company K, on June 3, 1862. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. Commissioned second lieutenant on June 30, 1862, with rank from June 2, 1862, vice Timothy King, killed in action. He appears as adjutant in the casualty list, ac. adjt., rank 2 liet.

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D. P. Conyngham, p. 558 "Adjutant John R. Young, born in King's County, Ireland; fought at Bull Run with the Sixty-ninth, and afterwards joined the Eighty-eighth; was in every battle up to Fredericksburg, where he was mortally wounded; his remains were not recovered. A truly noble man and officer."

His remains were not recovered; is there is a cenotaph, a memorial marker, for him somewhere?

Daniel McCarthy age 26 years. Enrolled on September 24, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as sergeant, Company H, on September 28, 1861. Mustered in as second lieutenant on September 1, 1862. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. Commissioned second lieutenant on August 28, 1862, with rank from July 1, 1862, vice Francis Hackett, deceased.

Patrick K. Horgan age 27 years. Enrolled on September 10, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as captain, Company D, on October 26, 1861. Accidentally wounded on July 1, 1862, at Malvern Hill, Va. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on March 5, 1863. Commissioned captain on December 31, 1861, with rank from October 26, 1861, original. He is the subject of "A Devoted Son of America and Ireland." This states that he was wounded in action, severely, hip, on December 13, 1862.

D. P. Conyngham "The Irish Brigade" "Captain P. K. Horgan, a brave soldier, was with the regiment up to Fredericksburg, when he resigned."

Charles J. Clark age 26 years. Enrolled on September 12, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as first lieutenant, Company I, on October 1, 1861. Mustered in as captain on April 13, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged on March 10, 1863. Subsequent service as first lieutenant, Company K, 69th New York Infantry. Commissioned first lieutenant on December 31, 1861, with rank from October 1, 1861, original. Commissioned captain on May 26, 1862, with rank from April 13, 1862, vice M.O'Sullivan, deceased.

Charles J. Clarke age 27 years. Enrolled near Petersburg, Va., to serve three years, and mustered in as second lieutenant, Company K, 69th New York, on August 29, 1864. Mustered in as first lieutenant, same date. Promoted to captain, Company D, on September 1, 1864. Discharged as first lieutenant on November 30, 1864. His name is also borne as Clark. Prior service as captain, Eighty-eighth Infantry. Not commissioned second lieutenant; commissioned first lieutenant, August 12, 1864, with rank from April 25, 1864, vice A. F. Blake, never reported. Commissioned captain, not mustered, October 31, 1864, with rank from September 1, 1864; original, Company D.

William G. Hart age 23 years. Enrolled on October 7, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as captain, Company K, on October 22, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Mustered out on June 12, 1863, consolidation of regiment. Commissioned captain on December 31, 1861, with rank from October 22, 1861, original. Commissioned major, not mustered, on May 13, 1863, with rank from February 4, 1863, vice John Smith, promoted.

Dennis F. Burke age 22 years. Enrolled on September 10, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as second lieutenant, Company C, on December 11, 1861. Mustered in as first lieutenant on July 4, 1862. Mustered in as captain on September 17, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Mustered in as lieutenant-colonel on September 9, 1864. Mustered out with regiment on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va. Commissioned second lieutenant on December 31, 1861, with rank from September 30, 1861, original. Commissioned first lieutenant on August 28, 1862, with rank from July 1, 1862, vice J. C. O. Joyce, promoted. Commissioned captain on October 17, 1862, with rank from September 17, 1862, vice J. C. O. Joyce, killed in action. Commissioned lieutenant-colonel on July 20, 1864, with rank from July 13, 1864, vice John Smith, mustered out. Commissioned colonel, not mustered, on November 15, 1864, with rank from same date, vice P. Kelly, killed in action.

Patrick Ryder age 25 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as second lieutenant, Company D, on October 29, 1861. Promoted to first lieutenant, Company I, on August 7, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Mustered in as captain on May 1, 1863. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Killed in action on May 5, 1864, at the Wilderness, Va. Commissioned second lieutenant on December 31, 1861, with rank from October 29, 1861, original. Commissioned first lieutenant on October 17, 1862, with rank from August 8, 1862, vice J. B. Turner, promoted. Commissioned captain on May 13, 1863, with rank from March 5, 1863, vice P. K. Horgan, discharged. Captain Patrick Ryder is buried in Fredericksburg National Cemetery Company B May 6, 1864 Grave Number 2706.

Charles M. Grainger age 21 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as sergeant, Company B, on December 10, 1861. Mustered in as second lieutenant on September 17, 1862. Mustered in as first lieutenant on November 26, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Wounded in action on May 3, 1863, at Chancellorsville, Va. Wounded in action on July 2, 1863, at Gettysburg, Pa. Captured in action on June 22, 1864, at Weldon Railroad, Va. He escaped prior to January 6, 1865. Mustered in as captain, to date May 6, 1864. Transferred to Company D on June 29, 1864. Transferred back to Company B as first lieutenant (vacancy while prisoner of war ceasing to exist), on December 7, 1864. Mustered out with company on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va. His name is also borne as Granger. Commissioned second lieutenant on October 17, 1862, with rank from September 17, 1862, vice J. W. Byron, promoted. Commissioned first lieutenant on February 5, 1863, with rank from November 26, 1862, vice John J. Blake, promoted. Commissioned captain on June 29, 1864, with rank from May 5, 1864, vice Patrick Ryder, killed in action.

Captain Charles M. Grainger is buried in Holy Cross Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York June, 1915
Section: St Edward Range H Plot 28

James McCormick age 25 years. Enrolled on November 21, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company F, on January 2, 1862. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Promoted to second lieutenant, Company E, on September 17, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged on June 12, 1863. Commissioned second lieutenant on October 17, 1862, with rank from August 8, 1862, vice P. Ryder, promoted.

Thomas H. O'Brien age 22 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company F, on January 7, 1862. Mustered in as second lieutenant on September 13, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to first lieutenant, Company A, on January 21, 1863. Discharged on January 28, 1864. Prior service in Company H, Second Infantry (N.Y.). Commissioned second lieutenant on October 17, 1862, with rank from September 13, 1862, vice Ignatius Fox, dismissed. Commissioned first lieutenant on March 23, 1863, with rank from January 21, 1863, vice R. C. Ray, resigned.

Company A

William J. O'Connor age 22 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as first sergeant, Company A, on November 29, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, arm, on December 13, 1862. Mustered out on June 12, 1863, at Falmouth, Va. Again enrolled and mustered in as private, Company C, on March 31, 1864. Promoted to first sergeant, no date. Wounded in action on May 12, 1864, at Spotsylvania, Va. Mustered in as first lieutenant on September 12, 1864. Mustered in as captain, Company B, on January 3, 1865. Mustered out with company on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va. Commissioned first lieutenant on July 20, 1864, with rank from July 13, 1864, vice J. E. Byrne, killed in action. Commissioned captain on December 7, 1864, with rank from September 15, 1864, vice R. J. Kelly, resigned.

Richard Murphy age 22 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as sergeant, Company A, on November 25, 1861. Wounded in action on December 13, 1862; no further record. The casualty list states that he was mortally wounded.

Patrick Brady age 23 years. Enlisted on September 17, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as corporal, Company A, on September 19, 1861. Promoted to sergeant on July 10, 1862. Wounded in action, hand, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company H, Second Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps, on August 17, 1863.

Michael Daly age 43 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company A, on August 9, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Mustered out on June 5, 1865, near Alexandria, Va.

Lawrence Frivry age 30 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company A, on November 23, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 31, 1863. Mustered out with company on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va., as Friery.

John Kennedy age 27 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company A, on December 13, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Captured in action on May 3, 1863, at Chancellorsville, Va. Paroled, no date. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 31, 1863. Deserted on expiration of furlough on February 13, 1864.

Joseph O'Hara age 32 years. Enlisted on September 18, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company A, on September 19, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to corporal, no date. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 31, 1863. Deserted on expiration of furlough on February 13, 1864.

James Reynolds age 25 years. Enlisted on September 12, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company A, on September 16, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 13, 1863. Wounded in action on August 14, 1864, at Deep Bottom, Va. Discharged for disability on March 18, 1865, at Washington, D. C.

Thomas Reilly age 30 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company A, on December 13, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Wounded in action on July 2, 1863, at Gettysburg, Pa. Mustered out on December 16, 1864, before Petersburg, Va. His name is also borne as Rielly.

Hugh Smith age 34 years. Enlisted on December 11, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company A, on December 12, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on January 9, 1864, at Convalescent Camp, Va.

Michael Sands age 24 years. Enlisted on October 28, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company A, on October 29, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. The casualty list states that he was wounded in action, severely.

Peter Coffield age 42 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company A, on December 13, 1861. Missing in action on December 13, 1862. No further record. His name is also borne as Caulfield. The casualty list shows him wounded in action, severely, and missing.

Patrick Tierney age 32 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company A, on September 21, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. The casualty list shows him wounded in action, severely, and missing.

George Thompson age 22 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company A, on September 12, 1862. Captured in action on December 13, 1862. Paroled, no date. Transferred to U. S. Signal Corps, on October 6, 1863. The casualty list shows him as missing. The roster states that he was captured in action on December 16th.

Patrick McCabe age 19 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company K, on October 25, 1861. Promoted to sergeant on December 15, 1861 (and transferred to Company A?). Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to sergeant-major, no date. Mustered in as second lieutenant, Company A, on May 1, 1863. Dismissed on September 26, 1863. His name is also borne as Patrick J. McCabe. Commissioned second lieutenant on May 21, 1863, with rank from December 13, 1862, vice M. McCarthy, killed in action.

Company B

Joseph Fox age 25 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company B, on December 13, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Deserted on February 13, 1863, while on furlough from hospital.

John Gallagher age 36 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company B, on October 15, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on April 29, 1863, at Convalescent Camp, Va.

Patrick O'Neil age 24 years. Enlisted on September 13, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company B, on September 20, 1861. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Deserted on June 18, 1863, near Dumfries, Va.

John Keegan age 19 years. Enlisted on September 13, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company B, on September 20, 1861. Promoted to sergeant, and wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Wounded in action in May, 1863, at Chancellorsville, Va. No further record.

John Reardon age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company B, on February 1, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on February 21, 1863, at Falmouth, Va.

John Carver age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company B, on February 7, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to corporal, Company A, on June 12, 1863. Promoted to sergeant on July 10, 1864. Promoted to first sergeant on December 17, 1864. Mustered out on February 13, 1865, near Petersburg, Va.

Patrick Sexton age 30 years. Enlisted on December 13, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company B, on December 14, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Captured in action on May 3, 1863, at Chancellorsville, Va. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Paroled, no date. Mustered out on December 16, 1864, near Petersburg, Va.

Company C

William Loughran age 33 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as sergeant, Company C, on September 17, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

Francis McKenna age 30 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company C, on December 6, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on March 18, 1863, at Fort Columbus, New York Harbor.

Martin Ryan age 19 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company C, on September 23, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. He died of his wounds on December 20, 1862, at Washington, D. C.
Private Martin Ryan is buried in Soldier's And Airmen's Home National Cemetery, Washington, D. C.
Company C December 20, 1862 Section H Grave Number 3379.

Cornelius O'Keeffe age 21 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company C, on October 2, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on April 29, 1863, at Convalescent Camp, Va.

William L. D. (Louis Dillon) O'Grady age 21 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company C, on December 7, 1861. Promoted to corporal, no date. Mustered in as second lieutenant, Company B, on December 13, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged on March 9, 1864. Commissioned second lieutenant on February 5, 1863, with rank from December 13, 1862, vice D. McCarthy, killed in action.

Lieutenant William L. D. O'Grady is buried in Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York, in Section:180 Lot 17359

John Reynolds age 24 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company C, on October 12, 1861. Missing in action on December 13, 1862. No further record.

Company D

Thomas Healy age 21 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on November 30, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. His name is also borne as Patrick Heally.

James Green age 24 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as sergeant, Company D, on October 12, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. He died of his wounds on February 23, 1863, at Washington, D.C.

Patrick Kennedy age 36 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on November 29, 1861. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on April 6, 1863.

John Giblin age 34 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on November 29, 1861. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. The casualty list shows him as missing in action.

Denis Donovan age 19 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on November 13, 1861. Promoted to corporal, no date. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Re-enlisted as a veteran on January 4, 1864. Promoted to sergeant on May 8, 1864. Wounded in action on April 2, 1865, at Petersburg, Va. Mustered out with company on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va.

Philip Donohue age 31 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on November 22, 1861. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on June 5, 1863, at Washington, D. C.

Robert Rudden age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on January 11, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to sergeant on March 1, 1863. Transferred to Company B, Third Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps, in June, 1863. Discharged on December 7, 1863, at New Haven, Connecticut. Again enlisted and mustered in as private, Company C, 88th New York, on February 15, 1864. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Deserted on November 14, 1864, at New York City. Prior service in Company F, Sixty-ninth New York State Militia.

Edward Twohill age 19 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as sergeant, Company D, on October 12, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on February 17, 1863, at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va.

Fancis Monahan age 22 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on October 21, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Mustered out on December 16, 1864, at Petersburg, Va.

Daniel Lenihan age 29 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on August 7, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Absent, sick, since October 14, 1863. No further record. His name is also borne as Lennihan, Linahan, and Linehan.

Patrick Tracy age 27 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on August 25, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Wounded in action, and captured, on May 3, 1863, at Chancellorsville, Va. Paroled, no date. Promoted to corporal, no date. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Returned to ranks prior to November 1, 1863. Mustered out on August 9, 1864.

John Flanigan age 20 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on October 21, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Mustered out on December 16, 1864, near Petersburg, Va.

Edward Johnson age 19 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on December 11, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to corporal, no date. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 31, 1863. Promoted to sergeant on March 1, 1864. Mustered out with company on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va.

(Jas Hackill?) James Hackett - Haskell? Haskell? Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. No information, not in unit roster.

John Quinn age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on July 16, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. No further record.

Jeremiah Lyons age 30 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on November 29, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. The casualty list shows him missing in action

Company E

Patrick Brady age 23 years. Enlisted on September 17, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as corporal, Company A, on September 19, 1861. Promoted to sergeant on July 10, 1862. Wounded in action on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company H, Second Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps, on August 27, 1863. The casualty list shows him killed in action, with Company E.

William Godfrey age 25 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as sergeant, Company E, on September 23, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on April 21, 1863, at Point Lookout, Maryland.

Patrick Garvey age 33 years. Enlisted on September 18, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as corporal, Company E, on September 19, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Returned to ranks, no date. Discharged for wounds on April 8, 1863, at Lincoln Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Edward Wilson age 26 years. Enlisted on September 23, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company E, on September 25, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 31, 1863. Promoted to sergeant-major on August 1, 1864. Reduced to sergeant and transferred to Company B on November 1, 1864. Mustered out with company on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va.

John Noonan age 24 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company E, on October 14, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862 (roster states December 15). Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Wounded in action on July 2, 1863, at Gettysburg, Pa. Transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps in February, 1864.

Walter Norris age 20 years. Enlisted at Fort Schuyler, N.Y., to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company E, on December 10, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for wounds on April 27, 1863, at Fort Columbus, New York Harbor.

John Raftus age 29 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company E, on October 11, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Discharged for disability on August 24, 1863, at Philadelphia, Pa. His name is also borne as Raftes.

Company F

James Smith age 30 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company F, on February 1, 1862. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. His name appears as James A. Smith in the casualty list.

Dennis English age 37 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company F, on March 4, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Transferred to Thirty-seventh Company, Second Battalion, Veteran Reserve Corps, on August 28, 1863. Transferred back to 88th N.Y., Company F, no date. Re-enlisted as a veteran on March 22, 1864. Deserted on expiration of veteran furlough, no date.

Michael Geary age 20 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company F, on February 24, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Captured in action on May 3, 1863, at Chancellorsville, Va. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Paroled and returned to company in October, 1863. Mustered out on February 2, 1865, near Petersburg, Va.

Anthony F. Morgan age 22 years. Enlisted at Alexandria, Va., to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company F, on April 4, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on January 28, 1863, at Washington, D. C.

Company G

Thomas Masterson age not stated. Enlisted at Warrenton, Va., to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on March 28, 1862. Promoted to first sergeant on September 22, 1862. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

John Sheridan age 28 years. Enlisted at Jersey City, N. J., to serve three years, and mustered in as sergeant, Company G, on November 22, 1861. Returned to ranks, no date. Promoted to sergeant on February 4, 1862. Wounded in action on December 13, 1862. He died of his wounds on December 15, 1862. The casualty list shows him killed in action. There is more information about him at the end of this list.

John Kelly age 22 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on October 2, 1861. Promoted to corporal, no date. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

Stephen (Bane?) Killed in action on December 13, 1862. No information, not in unit roster.

Morris Hays age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on September 4, 1862. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

Mathew Whelan age 21 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as corporal, Company G, on October 7, 1861. Promoted to sergeant on March 26, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Deserted on April 1, 1863, from Central Park Hospital, New York City.

Michael KcKernan age 22 years. Enlisted at Jersey City, N.J., to serve three years, and mustered in as corporal, Company G, on November 21, 1861. Promoted to sergeant on September 22, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Deserted from hospital, no date. His name is also borne as McKiernan. It appears to read McKenna on the casualty list.

Thomas Berry age 36 years. Enlisted at Jersey City, N.J., to serve three years, and mustered in as corporal, Company G, on September 30, 1861. Wounded in action on May 31, 1862, at Fair Oaks, Va. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Transferred to Company B, First Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps, on October 1, 1863. Transferred back to Company B, 88th New York, on February 6, 1864. Mustered out on October 3, 1864. (The Irish Brigade fought on June 1, 1862, at Fair Oaks, and was not on the battlefield on May 31).

James Keegan age 26 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on October 3, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps, no date. Discharged as of Company F, Twentieth Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps, on July 15, 1865, at Philadelphia, Pa.

John Buckley age 32 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on February 24, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for wounds on February 26, 1863, at Emory Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Niel McLaughlin age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on February 14, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. He died of his wounds on March 1, 1863, at Boston, Mass.

Arthur Malloy age 23 years. Enlisted at Jersey City, N. J., to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on November 30, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps in February, 1864.

John Whelan age 24 years. Enlisted on December 16, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company G, on December 30, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. No further record.

Joseph Keenan age 33 years. Enlisted at Jersey City, N.J., to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on November 1, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. No further record.

Thomas Cox age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on August 17, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. He died of his wounds on January 10, 1863.

Medical and Surgical History of the War of the Rebellion: "Conoidal ball comminuted fracture of upper third of left femur."

"Report of a case of secondary hemorrhage and ligation of femoral artery. Private Thomas C. Cox, Company G, 88th N.Y. Vols was admitted into Emory Hospital, Ward (J?), on the 26th December, 1862, in consequence of a gun-shot wound-projectile Minnie ball, received at Battle of Fredericksburg, on Dec. 13, 1862 ball entering in external aspect of left thigh, about two inches below trochanter major, making a bad commuted fracture of femur. Leg was put up in temporary splints in battle-field, which were left on after his removal to hospital. Treatment Constitutionally, Brandy, beef essence, ammonia, and Locally, cold applications. On the evening of the 9th, a severe attack of hemorrhage ensued-but was immediately arrested with sponges, cold applications and compressions. The following morning, a second attack of bleeding-which nothing would arrest. When it was resolved to tie femoral, as a dernier resort. Pulse about 100, patient sinking rapidly. In cutting down upon artery, (an) incredible

amount of (?) blood, of most offensive odor, was given exit (to?), and the whole of the tissues (were?) enormously infiltrated. He survived the operation but a few hours. (Lectio cadaveris?) Femur badly commuted, whole of tissues infiltrated. Projectile was discovered imbedded in femur, flattened out to thickness of a penny-artery torn for an inch or more, apparently from Sloughing."

R. Carrol A. A. Surg.

Emory Hospital was in Washington, D.C.

Private Thomas Cox is buried in Holy Cross Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York

Company G January 7 (10), 1863 Section: Letters Range P Plot 197. Burial on January 18, 1863.

James M. Birmingham age 21 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on March 10, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to sergeant on April 1, 1863. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 30, 1863. Mustered in as first lieutenant and adjutant on August 1, 1864. Mustered out with regiment on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va. His name is also borne as Bermingham and Benningham. Commissioned first lieutenant and adjutant on July 20, 1864, with rank from July 13, 1864, vice J.W. Byron, promoted.

Thomas Jordan age 21 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on March 7, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Deserted on February 22, 1863, from hospital.

William Green age 22 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on September 4, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Discharged for disability on March 12, 1864, at Portsmouth, R.I.

Thomas Cahill age 23 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on October 3, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Reenlisted as a veteran on December 30, 1863. Killed in action on June 3, 1864, at Cold Harbor, Va.

Patrick Lanahan age 26 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on October 7, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Promoted to corporal, no date. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 30, 1863. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Wounded in action on March 25, 1865, at Petersburg, Va. Discharged for disability on July 26, 1865, at Lincoln Hospital, Washington, D.C. His name is also borne as Lenihan.

Patrick Cane age 22 years. Enlisted at Jersey City, N.J., to serve three years, and mustered in as corporal, Company G, on October 24, 1861. Returned to ranks, no date. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Deserted, no date, from hospital. His name is also borne as Cain.

John Killcoyne age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on February 19, 1862. Wounded in action, no date, at Fair Oaks, Va. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Transferred to Company F, Ninth Regiment, Veteran Reserve Corps, no date. Transferred back to the 88th New York on March 31, 1864. Wounded in action on October 30, 1864. Mustered out on February 27, 1865, at Washington, D. C. His name is also borne as Kilcoyne.

Company H

Michael Downey age 31 years. Enlisted on September 28, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as corporal, Company H, on October 1, 1861. Promoted to first sergeant on July 1, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged on February 3, 1863.

Michael McCarthy age 32 years. Enlisted on September 28, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as corporal, Company H, on October 3, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps, no date.

James Sweeney age 22 years. Enlisted on December 5, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as sergeant, Company H, on December 6, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Mustered out on June 12, 1863, at Morrisville, Va.

William Grady age 34 years. Enlisted on November 22, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company H, on November 30, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B, no date (June 12, 1863?). Discharged for disability on October 17, 1863, at Philadelphia, Pa.

Thomas Mahony age 37 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company H, on November 22, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Deserted from hospital, no date. His name is also borne as Mahoney.

George Hamilton age 19 years. Enlisted on November 12, 1861, at Fort Schuyler, New York Harbor, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company H, on November 21, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to corporal, Company B, on June 12, 1863. Returned to ranks, no date. Mustered out on November 21, 1864, near Petersburg, Va.

Owen McDermott age 35 years. Enlisted on November 19, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company H, on November 20, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on January 30, 1863, at Washington, D.C.

Michael Hanrahan age 27 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as corporal, Company H, on November 21, 1861. Missing in action on December 13, 1862. No further record. The casualty list show him wounded in action, severely, and missing.

John Fitzpatrick age 19 years. Enlisted on November 12, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company H, on November 21, 1861. Wounded in action on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on April 29, 1863, at Convalescent Camp, Alexandria, Va. The casualty list shows him as wounded in action, slightly, and missing.

Bernard Keegan age 28 years. Enlisted on November 12, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company H, on November 21, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862. The casualty list shows him killed in action, and missing.

Thomas Carroll age 28 years. Enlisted on November 22, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company H, on November 30, 1861. Missing in action on December 13, 1862. No further record. The casualty list shows him wounded in action, severely, and missing.

Daniel Carroll age 32 years. Enlisted on December 5, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company H, on December 6, 1861. Missing in action on December 13, 1862. No further record. The casualty list shows him wounded in action, severely, and missing.

James Lardner age 31 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company H, on October 23, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, and missing, on December 13, 1862. No further record.

Company I

Michael Hatton age 25 years. Enlisted on September 25, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company I, on November 25, 1861. Wounded in action on September 17, 1862, at Antietam, Md. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

James Leonard 3 sgt Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862.

Supposed identical with:

Dennis Leonard age 29 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on November 12, 1861. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Mustered out on June 12, 1863, at Falmouth, Va. Again enlisted and mustered in as private, Company C, on February 2, 1864. Wounded in action on June 11, 1864, at Cold Harbor, Va. Promoted to sergeant, and first sergeant, no dates. Mustered out with company, on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va.

James Donohue age 18 years. Enlisted on September 16, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company I, on September 17, 1861. Promoted to corporal, no date. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on February 24, 1863.

George Morris age 22 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on December 1, 1861. Promoted to hospital steward, on December 28, 1861. Returned to ranks, and transferred to Company I, on June 9, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to corporal, no date. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Deserted from hospital, no date.

Mathew Hogan age 20 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on October 1, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 30, 1863. Wounded in action on May 12, 1864, at Po River, Va. Promoted to corporal, no date. Mustered out with company, on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va. (Po River was May 10, Spotsylvania Court House – Mule Shoe Salient was May 12, 1864).

Michael Judge age 22 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as corporal, Company I, on September 17, 1861. Returned to ranks, no date. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Battery K, Fifth U.S. Artillery, on December 23, 1862.

John McMahan age 38 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on September 23, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Mustered out on October 3, 1864, at Petersburg, Va.

Timothy Murphy age 20 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on October 1, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps, on October 1, 1863.

From the Medical and Surgical History of the War of the Rebellion:

T. Murphy, Pt., I, age 21 Right arm amputated below the elbow on January 24, 1863, by Surgeon W. Clendenin, U. S. V. To V. R. C., August 29, 1863. Discharged; pensioned.

His name is obscured by tape on the original list.

Samuel Mitchell age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on February 3, 1862. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Deserted on August 31, 1863, from Chestnut Hill Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. His name is obscured by tape on the original list.

Francis O'Malley age 30 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on August 1, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Mustered out on June 5, 1865, near Alexandria, Va. Commissioned, not mustered, second lieutenant, on May 31, 1865, with rank from January 21, 1865, vice S. Walsh, promoted.

Timothy J. Plunkett age 25 years. Enrolled at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on February 3, 1862. Wounded in action on September 17, 1862, at Antietam, Md. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Wounded in action, July -, 1863, at Gettysburg, Pa. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 30, 1863. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Promoted to sergeant-major, on November 1, 1864. Mustered in as first lieutenant, Company A, on January 2, 1865. Mustered out with company on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va. Commissioned first lieutenant on December 7, 1864, with rank from September 15, 1864, vice Joseph Hyland, promoted.

William Keating age 25 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company I, on November 26, 1861. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Wounded in action on July 2, 1863, at Gettysburg, Pa. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 30, 1863. Promoted to corporal, no date. Wounded in action on June 16, 1864, at Petersburg, Va. Transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps on January 28, 1865. Mustered out as of One Hundred and Seventeenth Company, Second Battalion, V. R. C., on October 16, 1865, at Providence, R.I.

Company K

Peter Curran age 20 years. Enlisted on October 22, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company K, on October 23, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

Patrick Carr age 31 years. Enlisted on October 12, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company K, on October 14, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

James Murphy age 29 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company K, on October 5, 1861. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

Michael Morton age 32 years. Enlisted at Fort Schuyler, New York Harbor, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company K, on December 14, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Promoted to corporal, no date. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Discharged for disability on July 30, 1863, at Philadelphia, Pa. He appears in the casualty list as corporal.

Cornelius Ahearn age 23 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company K, on November 29, 1861. Promoted to corporal, no date. Wounded in action, slightly, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 30, 1863. Transferred to Company E on July 1, 1864. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Mustered out with company on June 30, 1865, at Alexandria, Va. His name is also borne as Ahern. This name is hard to read in the original list.

Mathew Callagher age 24 years. Enlisted on October 13, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company K, on October 18, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on March 25, 1863, at Point Lookout, Md.

William F. Gilwee age 25 years. Enlisted on October 9, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company K, on October 11, 1861. Wounded and missing in action on December 13, 1862. No further record. The casualty list shows him as wounded in action, severely, and makes no statement about him missing in action.

John Regan age 43 years. Enlisted on October 13, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company K, on October 18, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on February 23, 1863, at Emory Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Philip Riely age 37 years. Enlisted on October 12, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company K, on October 14, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Deserted, no date, from hospital. His name is also borne as Reilly.

Owen Reilly age 25 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company K, on March 17, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Deserted on August 31, 1863, from Chestnut Hill Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

Timothy Smith age 36 years. Enlisted on October 9, 1861, at New York City, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Company K, on October 11, 1861. Wounded in action, severely, on December 13, 1862. Captured in action on May 3, 1863, at Chancellorsville, Va. Transferred to Company B on June 12, 1863. Paroled, no date. Mustered out on November 7, 1864.

John Herthrington age 21 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company K, on February 26, 1862. Wounded in action, severely, and missing, on December 13, 1862. No further record.

John Muldoon age 19 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company K, on October 2, 1861. Killed in action, on December 13, 1862. The casualty list shows him as wounded in action, severely, and missing.

The following men appear in the unit roster, but not the casualty list, as 88th New York Fredericksburg casualties. I do not have an explanation for this.

Michael Ahern age 38 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on October 23, 1861. Promoted to sergeant, no date. Wounded in action on December 13, 1862. Discharged for disability on February 17, 1863, at Convalescent Camp, Va.

William Beard age not stated. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on July 28, 1862. Killed in action on December 13, 1862.

James Costello age 37 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company D, on December 14, 1861. Wounded in action on December 13, 1862. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Mustered out in November or December, 1864. His name is also borne as John Costello.

William McClelland age 22 years. Enrolled at Jersey City, N.J., to serve three years, and mustered in as private, Company G, on September 30, 1861. Wounded in action, and promoted to sergeant, on December 13, 1862. Mustered in as second lieutenant, to date November 26, 1862. Mustered in as first lieutenant and adjutant on May 1, 1863. Killed in action on July 2, 1863, at Gettysburg, Pa. His name is also borne as McClellan. Commissioned second lieutenant on February 5, 1863, with rank from November 26, 1862, vice C. M. Grainger, promoted. Commissioned first lieutenant and adjutant on May 13, 1863, with rank from March 7, 1863, vice J. B. Turner, mustered out.

William McClelland is buried in Gettysburg National Cemetery 1st Lieutenant Company G
July 3, 1863 Lot: New York Section F Grave Number 93

Ross McDonald age 19 years. Enlisted at New York City, to serve three years, and mustered in as corporal, Company D, on October 24, 1861. Wounded in action on December 13, 1862. Promoted to sergeant on March 1, 1863. Transferred to Company A on June 12, 1863. Re-enlisted as a veteran on December 30, 1863. Promoted to first sergeant, no date. Killed in action on May 18, 1864, at Spotsylvania, Va. His name is also borne as McDonnell.

Letter of Captain W. J. Nagle, to his father, dated Fredericksburg, December 14, 1862, in the New York Irish American, December 27, 1862. He states that he, and his brother, Edmund, were unhurt. "The 88th Regt. this morning numbers ten officers and forty-one men." "Irish blood and Irish bones cover that terrible field to-day." "Lieutenant O'Brien, of my company (Company F) is, I believe, mortally wounded. All I can find of my once fine company of brave men is two sergeants and three men. That noble, brave man, Major Horgan, was one of the first to fall, shot through the head. Every field officer of the brigade was killed or wounded, except Colonel Kelly, and he had a very narrow escape. Lieutenant Granger was struck by a piece of shell, tearing all his clothes and the flesh over his bowels – one inch closer and he would have been killed. A piece of shell struck my haversack, tearing it off me, and throwing me over."

Letter of John Madigan, dated December 14, 1862, in the New York Irish American, December 27, 1862. "This morning the whole five regiments together only muster 250 men." "Major Horgan and Lieutenants Murphy (Company A) and O'Brien (Company F), of the 88th, are killed, and Captains Clarke (Company I) and Horgan (Company H) and Lieutenant Young (Company K) were wounded. I mention these names, as I know Lieutenants Turner and Gallagher would like to hear, and you can let them know. The General is all right, so is Colonel Kelly. Colonel Quinlan is sick, and was not in the fight. Lieutenant McCoy commanded Company G, and escaped without a scratch, though all but nine of his company were wounded out of thirty-two that went into the fight. You can tell his brother, if you see him, that he is well. Sergeants Masterson (Company G), Sheridan (Company G), McKeirnan (Company G – Mckernan?), and Whelan (Company G) are wounded. Masterson and Sheridan have not been found yet, as the rebels fire on our men that are sent out to bring in the wounded. Barry (Berry), Keegan, Keenan, Cahill, Kelly, Whelan, and others of the company are also wounded. Slattery is all right."

Letter from an officer in the Irish Brigade, dated "Camp near Falmouth, December 17, 1862, printed in the Irish-American December 27, 1862. "It will be a sad, sad Christmas by many an Irish hearthstone in New York, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts." "When evening came, Quartermaster Haverty, of the 88th, brought over rations for the men; and next morning, as the fight was not renewed, he brought over a barrel of whiskey and gave the whole Brigade a ration, and then went round the hospitals, and wherever he found any of our men gave them some.." "...almost all of our most serious casualties are still, as I write, on the battle-field, not alone of our Brigade, but the whole grand division. The rebels savagely fire at any of our men who go out even to give them a drink. Capt. Hart (Company K) went out with a party to try and bring in some, and one man and two horses were shot. Lieut. McCormack, of Co. F, got shot in a like laudable effort. Lieut. Murphy was killed, and his brother, a sergeant in Co. A, wounded alongside of him; he remains there in a dying state without a drop to wet his lips ever since. Lieut. Young was shot in three places; he remains there still – he was alive yesterday morning (Monday); others are in the same state lying there since Saturday, dying of thirst and exposure; and yet the lying government papers state that all the wounded have been cared for! There are hundreds yet who have never had the blood washed off their wounds, and their gunpowdery hands and faces crusted with the clotted blood are meeting you at every turn. The 88th mustered yesterday seventy-three muskets; probably in a day or two we may be able to get from men who are slightly wounded enough to make about ninety. Co. A musters two men; Co. D, one; Co. G lost twenty-four out of thirty-two...Lieut. McCoy (Company G) and the few men left went out at night, and between the darkness and their getting along on their bellies, they brought in all their wounded. Private Sheridan, of Co. G, died in hospital this morning. Dr. Powell is worth his weight in diamonds; he has never taken a minute to himself since the first wounded man was brought to him. Col. Kelly was as coolly courageous as usual, walking along his line. A bullet cut his coat and pants at the end of his vertebral column. Col. Quinlan was not with the men, having had an attack of scurvy. Major Horgan was shot through the mouth; the ball must have passed upwards into the brain, as he died instantly. He lies out with Murphy and Young near the stone wall. No regiment ever had a more gallant, unassuming and better loved officer; there is or was not in the whole Brigade an officer whose character stood higher than his."

The Rescue of Sergeant Sheridan

From "The Irish Brigade in the War For The Union," by St. Claire A. Mulholland, in William Corby, "Memoirs of Chaplain Life."

"During Sunday-the day after the battle-no assistance could be given to the wounded, who lay in great numbers out on the plain; but after dark on Sunday evening many of the men made heroic attempts to bring them in, although the enemy was vigilant and fired at every object seen moving against the sky. Sergeant Sheridan, of Company G, Eighty-eighth New York, lay far out on the field with a fractured leg, and four of his comrades determined to go to his relief. Working themselves out on their stomachs, they succeeded in reaching him, but found him very low. As he had a compound fracture of the leg, it seemed impossible to move him, his agony was so great. The men dared not stand up, and were at their wit's ends to know what to do, when Sergt. Slattery came to the rescue. Said he: "Begob, boys, did yez ever see rats trying to get away wid a goose egg? One rat lies down, the others roll the egg on top av him; he holds it in place wid his four paws, and then they pull him off by the tail. Now I'll lay down on my back, you lift Sheridan on top of me, and I'll do my best to keep his leg even."

The suggestion was adopted. The men would push themselves on a couple of feet, then pull Slattery, with his precious load, up to them, and so on until, before daylight, they reached the city, and had Sheridan attended to and his leg amputated; but too late to save the poor fellow. He died from exhaustion. The clothes were literally ground off Sergt. Slattery's back, and his cuticle was so sore that he was unable to do duty for a week afterward."

Letter of William H. McClelland, from the Irish-American, January 10, 1863, by Gallowglass.

"..the company you so often cheerfully and gallantly led in so many sanguinary contests, has been almost obliterated, wiped out. As each familiar and brave-hearted member of that once proud company, whose names appear among those who have fallen, I know it will fill your heart with sadness and grief."

Meagher spoke to each regiment before the fight. "During the delivery of this speech shells burst in and amongst us, killing a number and cutting off legs right by our side."

"Onward we pressed up through the city, and as we reached its outskirts, grape, shell, cannister, and shrapnel met us, and made great gaps in our ranks, taking more than once the four ranks clear out and laying them on the roadside in death.."

"..up hill and forward over an open plain a quarter of a mile wide, we rushed the enemy firing with their rifles deadly volleys, and our men dropping all the way up, though none of our company fell until we were within thirty or forty yards of the rifle pits, where we met dreadful showers of bullets from three lines of the enemy, besides their enfilading fire. Our men were mowed down like grass before the scythe of the reaper. One hour on that bloody field did its work. The men lay piled up in all directions." "The smoke of the battle is over now. Let us look at Co. G, so long the 'lucky company.' First of all drop a tear over the bravest of the brave – the noble, the heroic Sheridan. When we passed through the city on our way out to the battle field, he was full of life. He took his blanket and canteen and threw them high up against the walls of a house, to be free from incumbrance, inspirits the men with a wild cheer, and tells them to push on. When our work was done he crawls out on his hands and feet, takes up the body of Tom Cox, brings him to the rear and puts him in a place of safety. Again he goes out to succor a fallen comrade in the face of a storm of bullets; this time it is Corporal Kelly, but..the gallant Sheridan himself falls, with poor Kelly on his back, mortally wounded. I with others carried him to the hospital, he suffering the most intense pain, we hoping and praying for him. After laying him down as comfortable as possible, I ask the doctor to look at him. The doctor feels his pulse and tells me to get the priest. The priest came and administered to him, and when he had gone Slattery asked him if he did not feel better now? He says, 'Yes, John, I feel better now.'"

I stayed with him and I did all I could for him, and he appeared very strong. He would put his one arm around my neck and raise himself up in a sitting position, and would then lay himself down again. Captain Egan (Michael Egan, Company G) came in, and when he saw the brave fellow in the agony of death, he wept like a child – so did we all. At about eight o'clock that night the soul of the brave, the noble Sheridan took its upward flight, and our beloved sergeant was no more. God have mercy on his soul. The last scene of this sorrowful drama was enacted next day, when his body was taken and buried

where the day before he stood in the full prime and pride of life. A small board marks his last resting place, with the simple inscription "John Sheridan, Co. G, 88th Regt., I.B."...the battle of Fredericksburg should be written in letters of blood on the banners of the Irish Brigade. We are back in our old camp again, and passing through our avenues you feel as if you were going through a grave yard alone; all is dark, and lonesome, and sorrow hangs as a shroud over us all."

(Letter signed)

Wm. H. McClelland

From St. Clair A. Mulholland, The Story of the 116th Regiment in the War of the Rebellion, page 45.
"As they moved out Hanover Street...shells began dropping with destructive effect. One striking in the Eighty-eighth New York placed eighteen men hors du combat."

Burials of 88th New York casualties of the Battle of Fredericksburg.

Calvary Cemetery Woodside Long Island New York City
Civil War Soldiers' Plot

William Horgan Major KIA December 13, 1862 4 – 6 – V – 10
Granite monument, excellent condition Civil War Soldiers' Plot

Holy Cross Cemetery Brooklyn New York

Thomas Cox Private Company G January 7 (10), 1863 Section: Letters Range P Plot 197
Burial on January 18, 1863

Soldier's And Airmens' Home National Cemetery Washington, D. C.

Martin Ryan Pvt Company C December 20, 1862 Section H Grave Number 3379

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