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OF THE
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1. All names in Part II are arranged alphabetically, and where there are more than one of the same name they appear according to priority of service.
2. An asterisk (*) before a name indicates that the officer attained the rank of brigadier or major-general either by regular or brevet commission in the regular or volunteer forces.
3. Following the name of each officer will be found, first, the State or country where born, and, second, the State from which originally appointed, but when this appears only once it indicates the State whence appointed, the place of birth not being known.
4. **Cadet M A** in bold-face type indicates that the officer graduated at the United States Military Academy; the adjoining date when he entered that institution; the figure in parentheses his standing in the graduating class, and his first appointment the date of his graduation, except in the class of 1901, which was graduated February 18, and were commissioned in the Army to rank from February 2, 1901.
5. All data relating to appointments or commissions has been obtained from original records of the War Department, supplemented from other authentic sources, or supplied by living officers or the families of those deceased.
6. No record is herein given of appointments or commissions that were not accepted. Such as were declined, revoked, or canceled, and under which no service was rendered, have been omitted.
7. All commissions, appointments, promotions, casualties, etc., have been added or revised up to the time each page was put in type.
8. A work of this dimension, covering so long a period, although compiled and revised with the utmost care, will doubtless contain some errors or omissions, and the compiler will take it kindly to be informed of any that may be discovered.

ABBREVIATIONS.

a a d c	additional aide-de-camp.	art	artillery.
a a g	assistant adjutant-general.	art corps	artillery corps.
a c g s	assistant commissary-general of subsistence.	artf	artificer.
a c s	assistant commissary of subsistence.	arts	artillerists.
actg	acting.	assd	assigned.
a d c	aide-de-camp.	asst	assistant.
addl	additional.	a p m g	assistant paymaster-general.
adjt	adjutant.	a s g	assistant surgeon-general.
a d p m g	assistant deputy paymaster-general.	at lge	at large.
a d q m g	assistant deputy quartermaster-general.	batln	battalion.
A G	Adjutant-General.	batty	battery.
agt	agent.	brig	brigade.
a i g	assistant inspector-general.	brig gen	brigadier-general.
a j a g	assistant judge-advocate-general.	bvt	brevet.
appd	appointed.	C A	Chief of Artillery.
appt	appointment.	campn	campaign.
a q m	assistant quartermaster.	capt	captain.
a q m g	assistant quartermaster-general.	cashd	cashiered.
		cav	cavalry.
		C E	Chief of Engineers.
		chap	chaplain.
		C O	Chief of Ordnance.
		co	company.

col	colonel.	must	mustered.
comsy	commissary.	neg	negatived.
con	conduct.	ord	ordnance.
congs	congress.	o s k	ordnance storekeeper.
contl	continental.	paymr	paymaster.
cor	cornet.	pro	provost.
corpl	corporal.	prof	professor.
c s	commissary of subsistence.	prom	promoted.
C S A	Confederate States Army.	pur	purveyor.
d c g s	deputy commissary-general of subsistence.	purch	purchases.
dep	deputy.	pvt	private.
dept	department.	q m	quartermaster.
det	detachment.	Q M D	Quartermaster's Department.
dir	director.	r adjt	regimental adjutant.
dischd	discharged.	rangs	rangers.
discontd	discontinued.	reappd	reappointed.
dishon	dishonorable.	recd	received.
dismd	dismissed.	r c s	regimental commissary of subsistence.
dist	distinguished or district.	regt	regiment.
div	division.	reinstd	reinstated.
d j a g	deputy judge-advocate-gen- eral.	reld	relieved.
d p m g	deputy paymaster-general.	relinqd	relinquished.
d q m g	deputy quartermaster-gen- eral.	res	reserve or reserves.
drgs	dragoons.	resd	resigned.
dur	during.	restd	restored.
eff	efficient or efficiency.	retd	retired.
engr	engineer.	revol	revolutionary.
engrs	engineers.	rifle	riflemen or rifles.
ens	ensign.	r paymr	regimental paymaster.
expd	expired.	r q m	regimental quartermaster.
expdn	expedition.	r r	railroad.
fai	faithful.	sec	secretary.
ft	fort.	sen	senate.
gal	gallant.	ser	services.
gar	garrison.	sergt	sergeant.
gen	general.	sh sh	sharpshooters.
gov	governor.	sig	signal.
hon	honorable.	s k	storekeeper.
hosp	hospital.	stewd	steward.
I G	Inspector-General.	sub	subsistence.
indpt	independent.	sur mate	surgeon's mate.
Inds	Indians.	surg	surgeon.
inf	infantry.	topl	topographical.
inspr	inspector.	tr	transferred.
ja	judge-advocate.	unassd	unassigned.
J A G	Judge-Advocate-General.	U C	Upper Canada.
jus	justice.	U S	United States.
legn	legion.	U S A	United States Army.
lht	light.	U S c art	United States colored artil- lery.
lt	lieutenant.	U S c cav	United States colored cav- alry.
M A	Military Academy.	U S c inf	United States colored in- fantry.
maj	major.	U S N	United States Navy.
marsh	marshal.	U S V	United States volunteers.
math	mathematics.	vac	vacated.
med	medical.	vet	veteran.
mer	meritorious.	vic	victory.
Mex	Mexico.	vols	volunteers.
mil	military or militia.	voltgs	voltigeurs.
mil jus	military justice.	V R C	Veteran Reserve Corps.
m s k	military storekeeper.	wds	wounds.
mort	mortally.	yrs	years.
mtd	mounted.		
mus	musician.		

PREFACE.

From the close of the revolutionary war to September, 1789, there was practically no United States Army. A regiment of infantry and a battalion of artillery—in all, about 700 officers and men—were retained at the close of the war to guard public stores and property and to occupy posts vacated by the British on the northwest boundaries of the United States. By act of Congress of June 3, 1784, it was resolved, "As it appears absolutely necessary to have 700 noncommissioned officers and men, properly officered, it is recommended to the following States, as most convenient to the posts shortly to be vacated by the British, to furnish from their militia: Connecticut, 165; New York, 165; New Jersey, 110; Pennsylvania, 260, to serve twelve months, unless sooner discharged."

The troops thus provided for were formed into a regiment, consisting of eight companies of infantry and two companies of artillery, under the command of Lieut. Col. Josiah Harmar.

By subsequent legislation slight changes were made in the number and organization of the troops, and the reenlistment of the 700 men engaged under the resolution of April 12, 1785, was authorized by Congress October 3, 1787. This force, then consisting of a battalion (four companies) of artillery and a regiment (eight companies) of infantry, was, by the act of September 29, 1789, "recognized to be the establishment for the troops in the service of the United States."

No appointments or commissions had been issued by the General Government, the officers holding their appointments from the States which had furnished the quota. The officers retained in service were all commissioned as of the United States Army from September 29, 1789.

Everything relating to the appointment of officers was destroyed by the burning of the War Department, November 9, 1800. It therefore became necessary, in order to supply the missing links, to search the Executive Journals of the United States Senate, pay accounts in the Treasury Department, old manuscript registers in the possession of families or descendants of deceased officers, etc. In brief, neither labor nor expense has been spared in securing the most reliable information possible in the effort to produce this compilation, in the hope that it may be a standard and reliable work of reference.

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