

uniformed in scarlet, and bore the common and somewhat significant name of "Floodwoods." This company drew some recruits from Warren and Fayston, and for many years formed the Third Company in the Fourth Regiment, Second Brigade, Third Division Vermont Militia, of which regiment Orson Skinner of Waitsfield was colonel for some years around 1830. The records are by no means complete, but it would appear that the number of Waitsfield men enrolled in this company varied from 37 in 1812 to 94 in 1819, and that it had a membership of about 65 in the late "thirties." The roll of commanding officers was, so far as can be ascertained, as follows:

Capt. Matthias Stone Jones, 1808-10  
 Capt. Aaron Phelps, 1811-13  
 Capt. John Campbell, 1814-16  
 Capt. Andrew B. Minor, 1817-18  
 Capt. Elias Taylor, jr., 1819-20  
 Capt. Ira Richardson, 1821-4  
 Capt. Rufus Barnard, 1825-6  
 Capt. Robert Orton Stoddard, 1827-8  
 Capt. Roswell Horr, 1830  
 Capt. Jennison Joslin, 1833  
 Capt. Harry Jones, 1835-6

Reference has been already made to cavalry enlistments. Until 1815 the Waitsfield recruits formed a part of the Waterbury Company, but in that year a local company was organized by Capt. Levi Wilder, and until 1830, and perhaps for a few years longer, it took the field with full equipment on "June Training Day."

The number enrolled in this organization was never large, varying from 11 to 27. The list of captains was in part as follows:  
 Capt. Levi Wilder, 1815-20      Capt. Jesse Carpenter, 1825-6  
 Capt. John Campbell, 1821-4      Capt. Francis Wilder, 1827  
 Capt. Richard Wait, 1830

Contemporary with the later years of the "Floodwoods," and continuing its existence for some years after the former had ceased to train, was a rifle company, which was uniformed in blue, and during the "forties" formed the Eighth Company of the Eighth Regiment Vermont Militia. The first regular return which can be found is dated 1839, when 59 men were enrolled. The following year there were 92 (some from Fayston), but after that the number dwindled and the last return in 1850 contains but 15 names. The following were commanders:  
 Capt. Philo Harrington, 1839      Capt. Elisha Foster, 1841  
 Capt. Silas Royce, 1840      Capt. Ziba W. Boyce, 1844  
 Capt. Curtis H. Marshall, 1848-50

## CHAPTER VIII.

MILITARY HISTORY—CIVIL WAR; AINSWORTH POST,  
 NO. 36, G. A. R.

At the outbreak of the Civil War, Waitsfield had no military organization. The old militia companies had disbanded soon after 1850, and "June Training" was no more. But the lack of outward show had not lessened the spirit of loyalty and devotion to country, and there was no dearth of men to answer the call in '61. This little town of about one thousand souls sent to southern battlefields fully one-tenth of her total population if we may count all her sons that enlisted in the service.

The town is credited upon the rolls of the national government with ninety-five enlistments which were made by eighty-seven different individuals. The names of her citizens are found upon the rosters of the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Thirteenth and Seventeenth Vermont Regiments of Infantry, the First Vermont Cavalry, the Second and Third Vermont Batteries, the Second United States Sharp Shooters and the Signal Corps.

Companies G and H of the Sixth Regiment, Company I of the Ninth and Company B of the Thirteenth were recruited in the vicinity, and naturally our men enlisted in them in larger numbers than in any other organizations. Fifteen Waitsfield men served in Company H and seven in Company G of the Sixth Regiment. The names of ten are found upon the roster of Company I of the Ninth and twenty-four marched in Company B of the Thirteenth, while not less than eight young men from Waitsfield enlisted in the Second Regiment United States Sharp Shooters, two-sevenths of the entire number furnished by Washington County and nearly four times the normal quota of the town, in a state that furnished more men to this branch of service than any other in the Union in proportion to its population.

The history of our soldiers is the history of Stannard's gallant troops, of Sheridan's dashing cavalry command and of the old Vermont Brigade that fought in the vanguard for four

weary years and at the end, led the Union army over the rebel breastworks on the day when Lee's gray battalions were driven back on Richmond in their last retreat.

Lee's Mills, Chancellorsville, The Wilderness, Winchester, Charlestown, Va., and Petersburg Mine took as their toll ten of our young men. Ten more laid down their lives upon a soldier's sick-bed and many others bore home honorable scars received in battle.

The mention of each man must of necessity be brief. A name, a date or two, and the cold type has fixed his record. But let us as we read remember what these stand for: dreary camp life; hunger and thirst; exposure to the heat of torrid summer and the chill storms of winter; the painful march; the sleepless, weary round of picket duty; the burning heat of fever; the fierce, consuming rage of battle; the shrieks or deep muttered curses of the wounded, and all too frequently the nameless grave in an unfriendly soil. They mean the bowed form, the halting step, the grizzled locks, the early thinning ranks of those whose swords were beaten into plowshares at the close of that great struggle. All this and more the following list should stand for:

Luther Ainsworth. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment, and was mustered in as Second Lieutenant October 15, 1861; promoted First Lieutenant February 18, 1862; promoted Captain September 20, 1862. Killed at Banks Ford near Fredericksburg, Va., May 4, 1863, while leading his men in a charge against the enemy.

Edward L. Allen. Enlisted February 9, 1865, in Company K, Fifth Regiment, and was mustered in the same day. Mustered out June 29, 1865.

Alexander Baird. Enlisted June 20, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in July 9, 1862; promoted Corporal March 16, 1865; mustered out June 13, 1865.

Albert D. Barnard. Enlisted in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment, August 25, 1862. Mustered in October 10, 1862; discharged at Brattleboro, July 21, 1863, in a state of exhaustion from which he did not rally. He died August 12, following.

Mitchell Basconner. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Killed at Lee's Mills, Va., April 16, 1862.

Charles M. Benedict. Enlisted May 7, 1861, in Company F, Second Regiment. Mustered in June 20, 1861. Deserted August 30, 1862.

Leonard C. Berry. Enlisted December 14, 1863, in Company H, Second United States Sharp Shooters. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Wounded June 16, 1864. Transferred to Company H, Fourth Regiment, February 25, 1865. Mustered out July 13, 1865.

Thomas Burke. Enlisted August 6, 1864, in Company B, Eleventh Regiment, and was mustered in the same day. Mustered out August 25, 1865.

Edward A. Burns. Enlisted February 9, 1865, in Company K, Seventh Regiment, and was mustered in the day following. Mustered out February 9, 1866.

Fordis Orasmus Bushnell. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862, as Corporal. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Henry Newton Bushnell. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in as Sergeant, October 15, 1861; promoted Second Lieutenant, May 4, 1863; promoted First Lieutenant Company C, Sixth Regiment, May 15, 1864; promoted Captain Company H, Sixth Regiment, October 29, 1864. Served for a time with Division Sharp Shooters. Mustered out June 26, 1865. Specially mentioned in report of Col. Sumner H. Lincoln for gallant conduct throughout the day in the battle before Petersburg, April 2, 1865.

Bertrand Delos Campbell. Enlisted June 3, 1861, in Company H, Third Regiment, but was not mustered. Re-enlisted in Company H, Sixth Regiment, but was refused by the Surgeon. Re-enlisted in Company G, Sixth Regiment, and mustered in as Corporal October 15, 1861. Honorably discharged by reason of sickness, October 22, 1862. On August 9, 1864, he again enlisted for the town of Barton, Vt., in Company C, First Vermont Cavalry, and was mustered in August 11, 1864. Killed at the battle of Winchester, Va., September 19, 1864.

Oliver Carlisle Campbell. Enlisted June 9, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in as Second Lieutenant, July 9, 1862. Taken prisoner at Harper's Ferry, September 14, 1862, and sent on parole to Chicago. Resigned his commission December 1, 1862. Re-enlisted July 9, 1863, in Veteran

Reserve Corps. Promoted First Sergeant. Honorably discharged November 15, 1865.

Henry F. Dana. Enlisted June 1, 1861, in Company H, Third Regiment. Mustered in July 16, 1861. Mustered out July 27, 1864.

Foster Stillman Dana. Enlisted July 2, 1861, in Company H, Third Regiment. Mustered in July 16, 1861. Wounded at Lee's Mills and Spottsylvania. Mustered out July 27, 1864.

Wesley E. Dana. Enlisted January 2, 1864, in Company F, Seventeenth Regiment. Mustered in April 12, 1864. Wounded at Spottsylvania, May 12, 1864. Honorably discharged July 17, 1865.

Joseph P. Davis. Enlisted December 15, 1863, in Second Vermont Battery. Mustered in January 8, 1864. Honorably discharged for disability, June 21, 1864.

Albee Henry Dewey. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in as Sergeant, October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863. Re-enlisted October 28, 1863, in the Signal Corps, and was placed in command of the Signal Station at Fort Gaston, N. C. Died of yellow fever, September 28, 1864, and was buried in the Soldiers' Cemetery at Newberne, N. C.

Hiram F. Dike. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861; promoted Corporal, March 12, 1862. He was wounded at the action at Banks' Ford, near Fredericksburg, Va., on May 4, 1863, and died the same day.

Julian Dumas, jr. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Alba B. Durkee. Enlisted December 21, 1863, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in January 6, 1864. Died September 25, 1864.

Isaac H. Elliot. Enlisted June 26, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in July 9, 1862. Taken prisoner at Winchester, Va., September 3, 1862, and held for twenty days. Honorably discharged by reason of ill health, September 25, 1862.

Edward Anson Fisk. Enlisted August 21, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Daniel Foster. Enlisted July 14, 1862, in Company B, Tenth Regiment. Mustered in as Sergeant, September 1, 1862; promoted Second Lieutenant, June 6, 1864; promoted First Lieutenant, December 19, 1864; promoted Captain, March 25, 1865. Mustered out June 29, 1865.

Heman R. French. Enlisted June 23, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in July 9, 1862. Taken prisoner at Harper's Ferry, September 14, 1862. Promoted Hospital Steward, February 4, 1865. Mustered out June 13, 1865.

Ephraim H. Fuller. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in as Corporal, October 15, 1861. Severely wounded at Lee's Mills, Va., April 16, 1862. Honorably discharged October 28, 1864.

David Gleason. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Daniel Grandy. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

William H. H. Greenslit. Enlisted June 20, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in July 9, 1862. Committed suicide at Winchester, Va., August 21, 1862.

George B. Hall. Enlisted June 25, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in July 9, 1862. Discharged for ill health, June 15, 1863. Re-enlisted September 26, 1863, in Third Vermont Battery. Mustered in January 1, 1864. Promoted Corporal, January 21, 1864. Mustered out June 15, 1865.

James Harriman. Enlisted September 2, 1861, in Company G, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Promoted Sergeant. Wounded May 5, 1864. Mustered out October 28, 1864.

Edgar A. Hastings. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

John Hines. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Philip Hoffman. Enlisted June 20, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in July 9, 1862. Promoted Corporal, January 15, 1863; promoted Sergeant, July 1, 1864. Mustered out June 13, 1865.

Manley N. Hoyt. Enlisted October 7, 1861, in Company G, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Died at Philadelphia, July 18, 1862.

George Myron Jones. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company H, Second United States Sharp Shooters. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Killed at the battle of The Wilderness, May 6, 1864.

Holland Jones. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company H, Second United States Sharp Shooters. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Transferred to Veteran Reserve Corps, August 21, 1864. Honorably discharged on account of sickness, September 14, 1864.

John F. Jones. Enlisted September 10, 1861, in Company G, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in as Sergeant, October 15, 1861. Discharged on account of sickness, April 17, 1863. He afterwards re-enlisted in a Massachusetts regiment, but after a few months, sickened and died, November 28, 1864.

Eugene Edwin Joslin. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company H, Second United States Sharp Shooters. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Wounded at the battle of The Wilderness, May 6, 1864. Promoted Corporal, November 1, 1864. Promoted Sergeant, June 24, 1865. Transferred to Company H, Fourth Regiment, February 25, 1865. Mustered out July 13, 1865.

George Stearns Kneeland. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Promoted Corporal. Mustered out June 26, 1865.

Seymour L. Kneeland. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company C, First Vermont Cavalry. Mustered in December 25, 1863. Taken prisoner December 19, 1864, while on picket duty, near Woodstock, Va., and confined in Libby Prison. Paroled March 9, 1865, and exchanged about a month later. Transferred to Company A, First Vermont Cavalry, June 21, 1865. Mustered out August 9, 1865.

Hiram A. Luce. Enlisted July 23, 1862, in Company B, Tenth Regiment. Mustered in September 1, 1862. Discharged April 22, 1863, for disability.

James L. Maynard. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company H, Second United States Sharp Shooters. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Killed at the battle of The Wilderness May 6, 1864.

Ziba Hamilton McAllister. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863. Re-enlisted November 30, 1863, in Company C, First Vermont Cavalry. Mustered in December 25, 1863. Wounded October 7, 1864, while on duty in the Shenandoah Valley. Transferred to Company A, June 21, 1865. Mustered out August 9, 1865.

Eugene McCarthy. Enlisted February 6, 1865, unassigned. Mustered in February 9, 1865. Honorably discharged May 12, 1865.

Victor B. Mix. Enlisted December 22, 1863, in Company A, Eighth Regiment. Mustered in December 15, 1863. Mustered out June 28, 1865.

Ireneas P. Newcomb. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Died April 9, 1862, at Hampton, Va.

Alson D. Page. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Edwin F. Palmer. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in as Sergeant, October 10, 1862. Promoted Second Lieutenant, November 4, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863. Lieutenant Palmer kept a record of his army life and later published it in book form under the title "Camp Life."

Dexter Parker. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Wounded July 3, 1863, at Gettysburg. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Jerome W. Parker. Enlisted November 30, 1863, in Company C, First Vermont Cavalry. Mustered in December 25, 1863. Transferred to Company A, June 21, 1865. Mustered out August 9, 1865.

Levi C. Peabody. Enlisted December 16, 1861, in Company K, Seventh Regiment. Mustered in as Corporal, February 12, 1862. Honorably discharged October 24, 1862.

Thomas T. Prentis. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company H, Second United States Sharp Shooters. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Transferred to Company H, Fourth Regiment, February 25, 1865. Honorably discharged September 8, 1864.

John H. Quigley. Enlisted June 19, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in as Sergeant, July 9, 1862. Mustered out June 13, 1865.

Loren B. Reed. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Detailed for service as musician in the brigade band. Died at Wolf Run Shoals, Va., May 30, 1863.

Oscar Carlisle Reed. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Died in a hospital near Fairfax, Va., December 26, 1862.

John Waldron Richardson. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Edwin R. Richardson. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Promoted Corporal, February 8, 1862. Promoted Sergeant, July 10, 1863. Promoted First Sergeant, June 5, 1864. Killed at Charlestown, Va., August 21, 1864.

Loren S. Richardson. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company H, Second United States Sharp Shooters. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Wounded at Cold Harbor, June 10, 1864. Transferred to Company H, Fourth Regiment, February 25, 1865. Mustered out July 14, 1865.

John N. Richardson. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company H, Second United States Sharp Shooters. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Promoted Corporal, November 1, 1864. Transferred to Company H, Fourth Regiment, February 25, 1865. Mustered out July 14, 1865.

Thomas Sanders. Enlisted June 19, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in as Corporal, July 9, 1862. Mustered out June 13, 1865.

Lucius D. Savage. Enlisted May 20, 1861, in Company F, Second Regiment. Mustered in June 20, 1861. Severely wounded and taken prisoner at Savage Station, June 29, 1862. Released July 25, 1862. Honorably discharged November 29, 1862.

Levi Seaver. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863. Re-enlisted April 6, 1865, in Company K, Ninety-Sixth New York Veteran Volunteers. Honorably discharged February 15, 1866.

Albert Hezekiah Selleck. Enlisted May 20, 1861, in Company F, Second Regiment. Mustered in June 20, 1861. Wounded July 21, 1861. Honorably discharged March 21, 1863.

Henry Charles Shaw. Went out as Assistant Surgeon of the Second New Hampshire Regiment. Mustered out at the end of three months' service, he returned to the front as Assistant Surgeon of the Fifth Vermont Regiment, August 15, 1861, and died at Alexandria, Va., September 7, 1862.

Daniel Perry Shepherd. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in as Corporal, October 15, 1861. Wounded at Lee's Mills, Va., April 16, 1862. Mustered out June 26, 1865.

Mason Chellis Shepherd. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Wounded at Lee's Mills, Va., April 16, 1862. Mustered out June 26, 1865.

James H. Somerville. Enlisted August 29, 1864, in Company G, Sixth Regiment, and was mustered in on the same day. Mustered out June 19, 1865.

Lewis M. Spaulding. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Killed at the battle of The Wilderness, May 5, 1864.

Solon S. Spaulding. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Promoted Corporal. Honorably discharged June 12, 1865.

John Sterling. Enlisted November 30, 1863, in Company C, First Vermont Cavalry. Mustered in December 25, 1863. Transferred to Company A, June 21, 1865. Mustered out August 9, 1865.

Doric Smith Stoddard. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in as Corporal, October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Simeon Stoddard. Enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Wounded May 5, 1864. Honorably discharged, October 28, 1864.

Harlan Page Stoddard. Enlisted May 1, 1861, in Company F, Second Regiment. Mustered in June 20, 1861. Severely wounded at Savage Station, June 29, 1862. Honorably discharged, July 30, 1863.

Horace Bartlett Stoddard. Enlisted September, 1861, in Company F, Second Regiment. Mustered in October 18, 1861. Killed at The Wilderness, May 5, 1864.

William Henry Stoddard. Enlisted November 28, 1863, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in December 18, 1863. Mustered out June 26, 1865.

Lathrop Thompson Stoddard. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863. Re-enlisted January 5, 1864, in Company C, Seventeenth Regiment. Mustered in as Corporal, March 2, 1864, and served as Color-bearer. Severely wounded and taken prisoner at the battle of Petersburg Mine, July 30, 1864, and died August 4, 1864, while in the hands of the enemy.

Lyman Stoddard. Enlisted September 20, 1861, in Company G, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Mustered out June 26, 1865.

Cyron G. Thayer. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Fifth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Died May 20, 1863.

James M. Thayer. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Honorably discharged January 22, 1863, and died soon after of sickness contracted in the service.

Julius E. Tucker. Enlisted October 9, 1861, in Company G, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Mustered out May 23, 1865.

Harvey Morgan Waite. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Almon Walker. Enlisted August 11, 1862, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in September 22, 1862. Transferred to the Invalid Corps, and mustered out July 10, 1865.

George P. Welch. Enlisted August 3, 1864, in Company B, Eleventh Regiment, and was mustered in on the same day. Mustered out August 25, 1865.

Edmund Whitcomb. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Orcas C. Wilder. Enlisted August 25, 1862, in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in as Captain, October 10, 1862. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

Ira C. Williams. Enlisted October 3, 1863, in Third Vermont Battery. Mustered in January 1, 1864. Mustered out June 15, 1865.

In addition to those whose names appear above, the following men who were either residents of the town at the time or who had been born and brought up within its limits enlisted from other places, and it seems desirable that a brief record of their service should be here recorded:

Matthias Joslin Bushnell. Enlisted August 24, 1861, in Company B, First Wisconsin Cavalry. Mustered in as Corporal. Killed near Madison, Ark., August 3, 1862.

Hiland G. Campbell. Enlisted from the town of Warren, Vt., September 2, 1864, in the Third Vermont Battery. Mustered in September 4, 1864. Mustered out June 16, 1865.

Israel Childs, for many years a resident of the town, enlisted in the Thirtieth Wisconsin Regiment, and performed some three years of service.

Chester Stephen Dana. Enlisted from the town of Fayston, Vt., July 18, 1862, in Company B, Tenth Regiment. Mustered in September 1, 1862. Promoted First Sergeant. Honorably discharged May 22, 1865.

Edwin Harvey Dana. Enlisted from the town of Waterbury, Vt., December 23, 1863, in Company B, Tenth Regiment. Mustered in December 31, 1863. Wounded at Cold Harbor, June 3, 1864. Honorably discharged January 27, 1865.

Jackson Samuel Dana. Enlisted from the town of Fayston, Vt., in Company B, Thirteenth Regiment. Mustered in October 10, 1862. Wounded at Gettysburg, July 3, 1863. Mustered out July 21, 1863.

William Wordsworth McAllister. Enlisted from the town of Barre, Vt., August 9, 1864, in Third Vermont Light Artillery. Mustered out June 15, 1865.

Harlan Gaius Newcomb. Enlisted August 19, 1862, in Company K, One Hundred Forty-fifth New York Volunteers. Mustered in September 22, 1862. Transferred March, 1864, to Company I, One Hundred Seventh New York Volunteers. Detailed at Division Headquarters, September, 1864. Rejoined his Company, May 23, 1865. Mustered out June 19, 1865.

Judson W. Richardson. Enlisted November 30, 1863, from Fayston, Vt. Mustered into Company H, Sixth Regiment, December 18, 1863. Corporal, June 19, 1865. Mustered out June 26, 1865.

Daniel Russ. Enlisted June 23, 1862, in Company I, Ninth Regiment. Mustered in July 9, 1862. Promoted Sergeant, March 26, 1864. Promoted First Sergeant, March, 1865. Honorably discharged, June 8, 1865.

James C. Russ. Enlisted in Company A, Forty-second Wisconsin Volunteers. Mustered out June 28, 1865.

Edward M. Savage. Enlisted from Rochester, Vt., August 28, 1861, in Company E, Fourth Regiment. Mustered in September 26, 1861. Discharged for disabilities, November 27, 1862. Enlisted October 22, 1863, in Third Vermont Battery. Promoted Corporal, December 30, 1863. Mustered in January 1, 1864. Mustered out June 16, 1865.

Frank E. Spaulding. Enlisted from Sheldon, Vt., September, 1861, in Company K, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in October 15, 1861. Honorably discharged, June 30, 1862.

George E. Spaulding. Enlisted from Albany, N. Y., in Company G, Tenth New York Volunteers. Served from April to August, 1865.

Franklin Stoddard. Enlisted from Warren, Vt., August 12, 1864, in Second Vermont Battery. Mustered in same day. Transferred to First Company Heavy Artillery, March 1, 1865. Mustered out July 28, 1865.

Nathan Thayer. Enlisted from Fayston, Vt., August 13, 1862, in Company H, Sixth Regiment. Mustered in September 22, 1862. Honorably discharged, June 3, 1863.

Charles D. Tewksbury. Enlisted September 17, 1861, in Company B, Fifty-second Illinois Volunteers. Mustered in October 25, 1861, as Corporal. Promoted Sergeant, April, 1864. Mustered out July 6, 1865. Wounded at the battle of Shiloh.

Isaac N. Tewksbury. Enlisted in a Michigan Regiment, and was killed at the battle of Pittsburg Landing.

This was the town's great sacrifice upon the nation's altar, but mention must be made of lesser gifts. In August, 1862, a small bounty was voted to soldiers who should enlist from the town, and in November, 1863, this was considerably increased, so that by the end of the war the contribution of the town for this and kindred purposes amounted to \$10,433.13.

Mothers and sisters wrought tirelessly and well, and many a soldier lad told, in his letters, of comfort and good cheer discovered in the depths of boxes sent from home. A society was organized, auxiliary to the Christian Commission, and many army supplies, prepared by bands of devoted women that met regularly in the hall of the brick tavern in the village, were shipped directly to the front.

*Ainsworth Post, No. 36, Grand Army of the Republic,  
Department of Vermont.*

On Saturday evening, December 16, 1871, the preliminary steps were taken for the formation in Waitsfield of a Post of the Grand Army of the Republic. The meeting was attended by Henry Newton Bushnell, Orcas C. Wilder, Robert J. Coffey, Lucius D. Savage. Ziba Hamilton McAllister, Chester Stephen Dana, William Mitchell Strong, George Somerville, Eugene Edwin Joslin, John N. Richardson, Edward Anson Fisk, Jackson Samuel Dana, Harvey Morgan Waite, George O. Boyce, George W. Fisher, William F. Wilder, Seymour L. Kneeland, George J. Ainsworth, Leonard C. Berry, Anson Brigham, Lafayette Myers, Cornelius McMullen, William Blair and Robert Maxwell, and convened at the hotel hall. The necessary funds for a charter were subscribed, and the name "Ainsworth" was chosen in memory of Captain Luther Ainsworth, who fell at Banks Ford, Va., May 4, 1863.

On Tuesday evening, January 9, 1872, the Post received its charter, and was formally organized by Inspector General John J. Bain. At this time the following names were added to those given above as charter members of the Post: Henry F. Dana, Thomas Maxwell, Samuel Maxwell, Harlan Page Stoddard, J. W. Chandler, Orville M. Eaton, Edgar A. Hastings, Allen E. Mehuron, Silas S. Blakely.

The members made choice of Lucius D. Savage as Commander and Robert J. Coffey as Adjutant.

At the end of a year the roll of members numbered more than fifty, of whom a number were from Warren. Some years later a Post was organized in the latter town, and this resulted in a transfer of some members, but at the present time both towns are united in Ainsworth Post.

From its organization the Post has not failed to observe Memorial Day with fitting exercises, and since 1898 the town

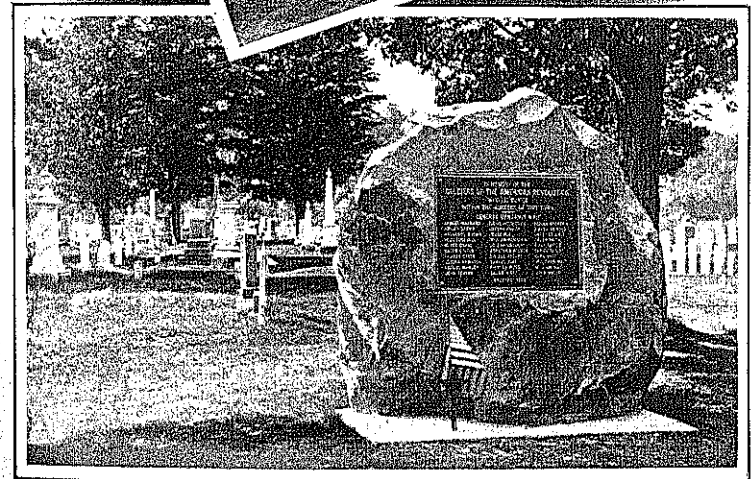
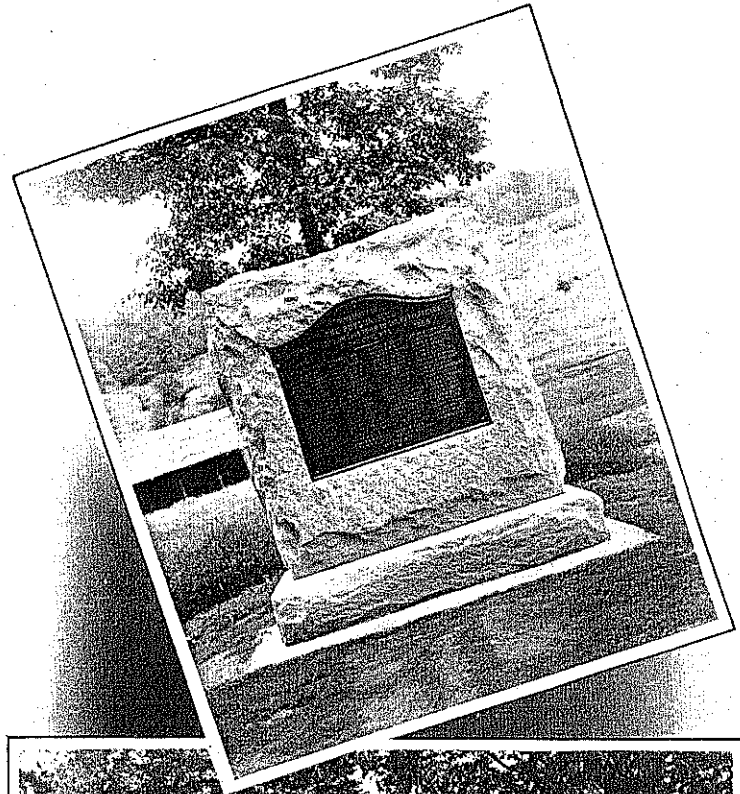
has annually made an appropriation for the purpose, and has appointed a committee of citizens to act in conjunction with that of the Post.

Since 1882 this organization has held a yearly meeting, at which all old soldiers, irrespective of membership, and their families, meet to renew old associations.

Commanders of Ainsworth Post, No. 36.:

Lucius D. Savage, 1872-4.  
 Cornelius McMullen, 1875-6.  
 John N. Richardson, 1877-8.  
 Orcas C. Wilder, 1879-80.  
 Ziba Hamilton McAllister, 1881-2.  
 William Mitchell Strong, 1883-4.  
 Orville M. Eaton, 1885-6.  
 Edward Anson Fisk, 1887-8.  
 Lucius D. Savage, 1889.  
 Charles H. Clay, 1890.  
 William Wordsworth McAllister, 1891.  
 Allen E. Mehuron, 1892.  
 Henry Newton Bushnell, 1893-4.  
 Byron J. Stockwell, 1895.  
 Dorric Smith Stoddard, 1896.  
 Edward M. Savage, 1897-8.  
 Stephen Johnson, 1899-1908.

On Memorial Day, 1907, a beautiful monument purchased by contributions from residents and former residents of the town, was dedicated to her soldiers in the Civil War. On a plot of ground fronting on the main street of the village, and conveyed to the town for the purpose, in part by the Methodist Episcopal Society, and in part by Valley Lodge I. O. O. F., a handsome Barre granite ashlar was erected. Empanelled in this stone is a bronze tablet 3 ft. 8 in. by 4 ft. 3 in. in size, bearing the following inscription:



CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL,  
 MONUMENT TO REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS.

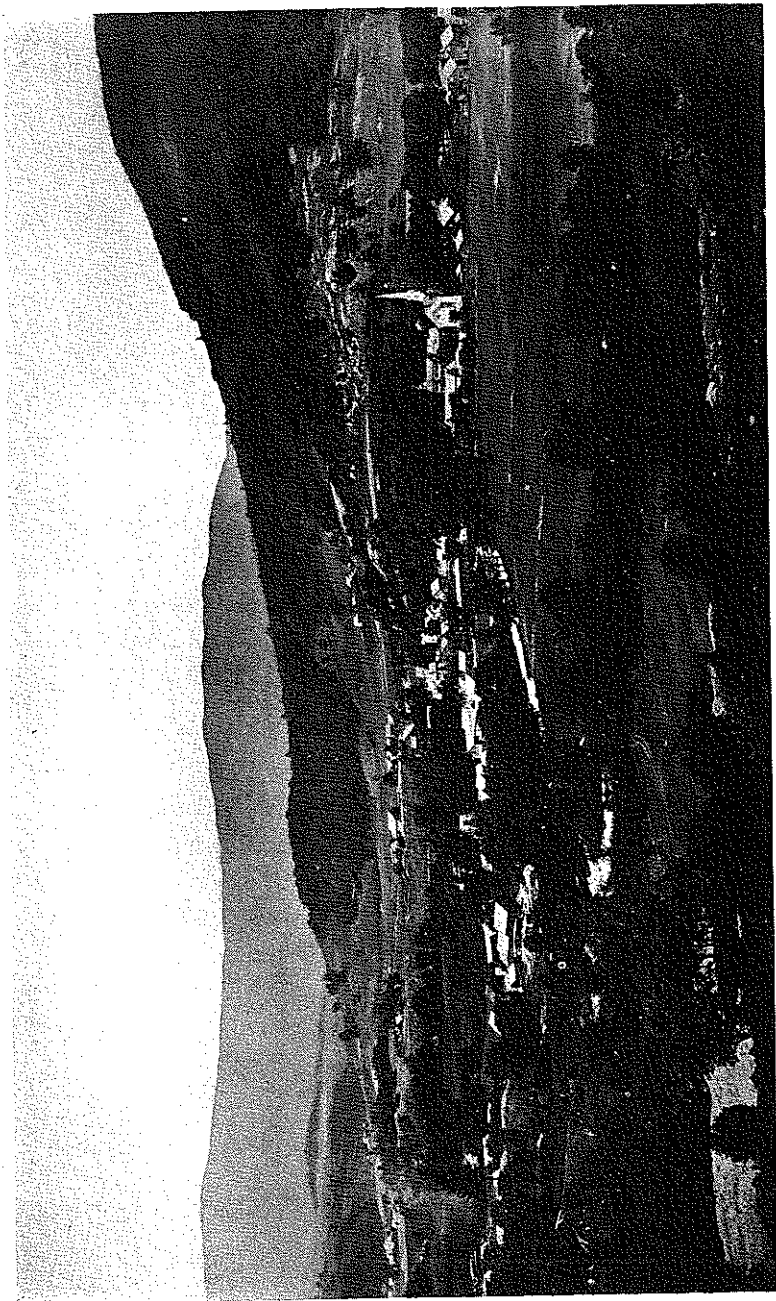


IN MEMORY OF  
THE BOYS IN BLUE  
WHO MARCHED FROM THIS TOWN TO THE BATTLEFIELDS  
OF THE CIVIL WAR.

1861-1865.

Luther Ainsworth	Eugene McCarty
Edward L. Allen	Victor B. Mix
Alexander Baird	Ireneas P. Newcomb
Albert D. Barnard	Alson D. Page
Mitchell Basconner	Edwin F. Palmer
Leonard C. Berry	Dexter Parker
Thomas Burke	Jerome W. Parker
Edward A. Burns	Levi C. Peabody
Fordis O. Bushnell	Thomas T. Prentiss
Henry N. Bushnell	John H. Quigley
Bertrand D. Campbell	Loren B. Reed
Oliver C. Campbell	Oscar C. Reed
Foster S. Dana	Edwin R. Richardson
Harry F. Dana	John N. Richardson
Wesley E. Dana	Loren S. Richardson
Joseph P. Davis	John W. Richardson
Albee H. Dewey	Thomas Sanders
Hiram F. Dike	Lucius D. Savage
Julian Dumas	Levi W. Seaver
Alba B. Durkee	Albert H. Selleck
Isaac H. Elliot	Henry C. Shaw
Edward A. Fisk	Mason S. Shepherd
Daniel Foster	Perry D. Shepherd
Heman R. French	James H. Somerville
Ephraim H. Fuller	Lewis M. Spaulding
David Gleason	Solon S. Spaulding
Daniel Grandy	John Sterling
Wm. H. H. Greenslit	Dorric S. Stoddard
George B. Hall	Harlan P. Stoddard
James Harriman	Horace B. Stoddard
Edgar A. Hastings	Lyman Stoddard
John Hines	L. Thompson Stoddard
Philip Hoffman	Simeon Stoddard
Manley N. Hoyt	William H. Stoddard
George M. Jones	Cyron G. Thayer
Holland Jones	James M. Thayer
John F. Jones	Julius E. Tucker
Eugene E. Joslin	Harvey M. Waite
George S. Kneeland	Almon Walker
Seymour L. Kneeland	George P. Welch
Hiram A. Luce	Edmund Whitcomb
James L. Maynard	Orcas C. Wilder
Ziba H. McAllister	Ira C. Williams

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WAITSFIELD VILLAGE LOOKING WEST TO LINCOLN MOUNTAIN.

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1782 - 1908

WITH FAMILY GENEALOGIES

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