First Regiment Rifles, S.C.M

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The several companies of this command returned to their homes on Saturday last. We but express the general sentiment of the community in tendering to this efficient corps a hearty welcome and the done, which is so clearly their due. For months past they have been on active service – performing duties which were calculated to try their worth as soldiers – and the record is an honorable one. An eminent military writer has given it as his opinion, the spirit and efficiency with which any corps conducts itself, in working parties, is no mean criterion of its general order and discipline. Measured by this standard, the First Regiment Rifles hold no second place among the military of their State. At Castle Pinckney, Morris' Island, Sullivan Island and James' Island they have done their duty manfully, and more than one mound of sand attests their fidelity to the cause of the South. In preparation for the recent conflict, they were assigned, by Gen. BEAUREGARD, to the defence of the east end of Sullivan's Island, where it was supposed that that valiant fleet, with 'Northern officers,' would attempt a landing, with a view to and possess Fort Moultrie.' Day after day the fleet was reported off the shore, but the prudence of the 'Northern commander' disappointed our watchful Riflemen, and they were not permitted to do their devoir as would have pleased them best. As a tribute to their public spirit and untiring devotion to the sacred cause, we place on record, for future reference, the roll of the regimental and company officers:

FIELD AND STAFF OFFICERS. J. J. PETTIGREW, Colonel J. L. BRANCH, Lieut. Colonel. ELISON CAPERS, Major. T. G. BARKER, Adjutant. A. S. HANCKEL, Quartermaster. R. G. PERKINS, Quartermaster Sergeant. L. G. YOUNG, Commissary. J. B. GREGG, Commissary Sergeant. MEDICAL STAFF. G. E. TRESCOT, M.D., Surgeon. T. L. OGIER, jr., M.D., Assistant Surgeon. COMPANY OFFICERS. Washington Light Infantry. - C. H. Simonton, Captain; Oct. Wilkie, First Lieutenant; E. W. Lloyd, Second Lieutenant; J. M. Carson, Third Lieutenant. German Riflemen. – Jacob Small, Captain; H. Ed. Young, First Lieutenant; A. Lengnick, Second Lieutenant; H. Mensing, Third Lieutenant. Moultrie Guard. – B. W. Palmer, Captain; – Barnwell, First Lieutenant; C.E.B. Flagg, Second Lieutenant; W. E. Stoney, Third Lieutenant. Palmetto Riflemen. – A. Melchers, Captain; R. Issertel, First Lieutenant; P. Schuckmann, Second Lieutenant; A. D. Cohen, Third Lieutenant. Carolina Light Infantry. - B. G. Pinckney, Captain; Jno. Chambers, First Lieutenant; Hudson Lee, Second Lieutenant; Jno. Munroe, Third Lieutenant.

Meagher Guard. – Ed. McCrady, jr., Captain; W. N. Heyward, First Lieutenant. P. P. Parker, Second Lieutenant; John McCarthy, Third Lieutenant.

Zouave Cadets. – C. E. Chichester, Captain; R. C. Gilchrist, First Lieutenant; E. John White, Second Lieutenant; B. M. Walpole, Third Lieutenant.

The artillery detachment of the Washington Light Infantry in charge of Fort Washington will be relieved today.