

# **History of the Lincoln Artillery, California Militia 1864-1866**

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LINCOLN ARTILLERY

Lincoln Artillery, Second Brigade  
Reference: Dead Office File, Row 3, File 1  
Location: Vallejo, Solano County  
Mustered in October 17, 1864  
Mustered out 1866

Commanding Officers:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Commission</u>
James H. K. Barbour, Captain	Oct. 17, 1864	Oct. 25, 1864
A. L. Campbell, First Lieutenant	Oct. 17, 1864	Oct. 25, 1864

Activities:

At a meeting held, October 17, 1864, an artillery company was organized to be known as the Lincoln Artillery located at Vallejo, Solano County. The commanding officers elected were James H. K. Barbour, Captain and A. L. Campbell, First Lieutenant.

The members were dissatisfied with serving as an Infantry company when they had enrolled for Artillery service. However, at a meeting conducted in the armory February 8, 1865, it was decided the organization would continue as such.

A Bond for \$2,500 was filed with the County Judge for arms but in December of the same year the unit was yet awaiting their desired accoutrements. Due to the delay in receiving the arms and equipment, it was felt by some of the citizens that the company was out of existence. These rumors were quelled by Captain Barbour's wire, March 28, 1866, to the Brigadier General confirming the organization of the company with fifty-four members.

Although an efficient and well officered corps, the Lincoln Artillery was ordered mustered out of the State service in accordance with the Military Law of 1866. This ruling, which was an economic measure, materially reduced the military force. The artillery companies were particularly affected, only four remaining in active service. Due to location, the Lincoln Artillery was considered unnecessary for defense purposes and, therefore, ordered disbanded on the recommendation of the Board of Organization and Location.

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concerned, and the name Hayward  
Hayward Guard officers remained...  
election which took place in Nov...  
of the ensuing election were: A...  
Alvarado Guard was elected Capt...  
Sergeant of the Alvarado G...