William E. Aisquith

(- 29 Jun 1856)

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Class of 1827: William E. Aisquith

Born Maryland, appointed Virginia, Ranked 11th of 38.

Cadet at the Military Academy, July 1, 1823 to July 1, 1827, when he was graduated and promoted in the Army to Bvt. 2d Lieut. and 2d Lieut., 2d Artillery.

Served in garrison at Ft. Monroe, Va. (Artillery School for Practice), 1827-28, -- and at Ft. Moultrie, S.C., 1828-31. Dismissed, May 24, 1832, for absence without leave, disobedience of orders, and neglect of duty. History unknown, from 1832 to 1837.

Reappointed in the U.S. Army with the rank of 2d Lieut., 1st Artillery, March 8, 1837. Served in the Florida War, 1837-38; in Cherokee Nation, 1838, while transferring Indians to the West; in garrison at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., 1838-39; on the Northern Frontier, at Plattsburg, N.Y., 1839, during Canada Border Disturbances; on Recruiting service, 1839; on the Northern Frontier, at Plattsburg, N.Y., 1839-40, during Canada Border Disturbances; on the Maine Frontier, at Houlton, Me., 1840-41, pending "Disputed Territory" controversy; on the Northern Frontier, at Plattsburg, N.Y., 1841-42, during Canada Border Disturbances; and in garrison at Ft. Adams, R.I., 1842-43, -- Ft. Sullivan, Me., 1843, -- Houlton, Me., 1843-44, -- and Ft. Kent, Me., 1844. Cashiered, Feb. 24, 1845, for "Drunkenness on Duty," and "Unofficer-like Conduct."

Served in the War with Mexico, 1846-47, with Battalion of Maryland Volunteers, as Orderly Sergeant, June 8 to Sept., 1846, and as Lieut., Sept. 1846 to May 30, 1847, -- and as a soldier in U.S. 1st Artillery, at Vera Cruz, Mexico, 1847-48.

Reappointed in the U.S. Army with the rank of Captain, 1st Artillery, Nov. 20, 1847, but not being confirmed by the Senate, was dropped, Jan. 12, 1848.

Sergeant of Marines, and Clerk at Washington, D.C., 1848-56. Died June 29, 1856, at Washington, D.C., aged 48 yrs.

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Ranks:

Bvt. 2d Lieut. and 2d Lieut., 2d Artillery, July 1, 1827 2d Lieut., 1st Artillery, March 8, 1837 1st Lieut., 2d Artillery, July 7, 1838 Captain, 1st Artillery, Nov. 20, 1847