William Montrose Graham

(28 Sep 1834 - 17 Jan 1916)

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A Duel This Morning

... This is the second duel only, that has taken place between graduates of the West Point Military Academy. The first was between Capt. W.M. Graham (who was subsequently killed at Molina del Rey) and Lieut. F. Paige Graham was wounded slightly. They were both of the 4th Infantry.



Graham. On Sunday, Jan. 16, 1916 at Wardour, Md., Maj. Gen. William Montrose Graham, USA Retired. Funeral Services at Wardour Md. on Tues. Jan. 18 at 11:15 am. Interment at Congressional Cemetery at 2:30 p.m.. [Possibly the son of William A. Graham, Secretary of the Navy to President Fillmore and cousin of Mary Ann Morrison second wife of Genl. Stonewall Jackson.]

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Brig. Gen. W.M. Graham Dies at Wardour, Md. Veteran of Civil War and Commander of District Regiment III Only Short Time.

Brig. Gen. William M. Graham, U.S. Army, retired, eightyone years old, died this morning at the home of his daughter,

Mrs. Alden, wife of Prof. Carroll S. Alden, at Wardour, near Annapolis, Gen. Graham had been ill only a short time with pneumonia.

Gen. Graham was born in Washington, September 28, 1834. He was made second lieutenant of the 1st Artillery in June, 1855, and appointed commander of the 2d Regiment of the District of Columbia Infantry in April, 1865. Gen. Graham saw service as a commander in the civil war until his regiment was mustered out in September, 1865.

He was major general of volunteers and served for a few months in the Spanish war. His appointment as brigadier general came in May 1897, and his retirement because of age in September, 1898.

Gen. Graham had spent much time since in Washington, Annapolis and his summer home in New Hampshire.

Other children living beside Mrs. Alden are Mrs. Burrage, wife of Capt. G.H. Burrage of the navy, and Mrs. Scales, wife of Capt. A.H. Scales, also of the navy.

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William Montrose Graham, soldier, was born in Washington, D.C., Sept. 28, 1834, son of James Duncan and Charlotte (Meade) Graham, and grandson of Dr. William Montrose and Mary (Campbell) Graham. He was appointed 2d lieutenant of the 1st artillery June 7, 1855, 1st lieutenant March 1, 1861, and captain Oct. 26, 1861. He served through the civil war as an officer in the regular army. He was brevetted major, July 1, 1862, for gallant and meritorious services during the Peninsular campaign, lieutenant-colonel, Sept. 17, 1862, for gallant and meritorious services in the battle of Antietam, colonel

July 3, 1863, for gallant and meritorious services in the battle of Gettysburg, and brigadier-general, March 13, 1865, for gallant and meritorious services in the field during the war. He was made colonel of the 2d District of Columbia volunteers, April 7, 1865, and mustered out of the volunteer service, Sept. 12, 1865 was promoted major of the 4th U.S. artillery, July 18, 1879 lieutenant-colonel of the 1st artillery, Aug. 10, 1887 was transferred to the 5th artillery May 1, 1890 was commissioned colonel of the 5th artillery, July 1, 1891, brigadier-general, May 26, 1897, and was retired from active service in the regular army Sept. 28, 1898, the sixty-fourth anniversary of his birth. At the beginning of the war with Spain in 1898, he was in command of the department of the Gulf, and on May 4, was appointed major-general of volunteers and was ordered to Falls Church, Va., to take charge of the organization of the second army corps, U.S. volunteers, which was mobilized to a strength of 30,000 and in August was transferred by rail to Camp George Gordon Meade, near Middletown, Pa., and he was honorably discharged from the volunteer service, Nov. 30, 1898.