

Albin Francisco Schoepf

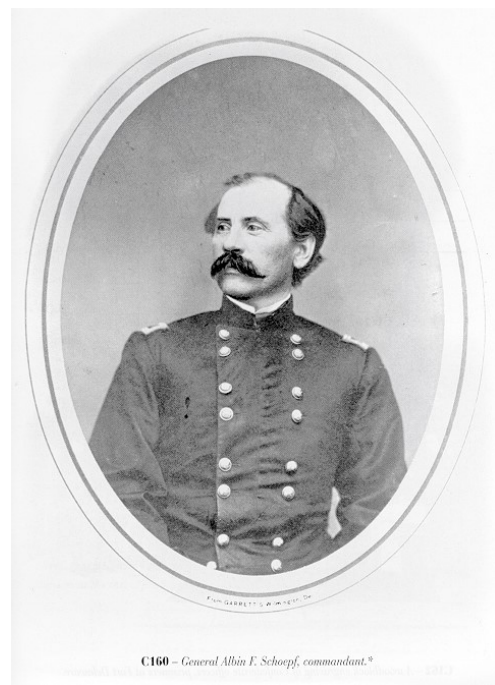
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Schoepf. On Monday, May 10, 1886 at 12:30 at Hyattsville, Md., Brigadier General Albin F. Schoepf. Funeral strictly private on account of sickness in the family.

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Locals

Brigadier General Albin F. Schoepf died yesterday at his home at Hyattsville, Md.



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The Late Gen. Schoepf

A meeting of the associates of the late Gen. Albin Schoepf, an examiner in the Patent office, together with a number of patent attorneys, was held yesterday afternoon, and appropriate resolutions, drawn up by a committee consisting of Assistant Commissioner Vance, Judge Clark, Col. Seeley, W. Peirce Bell, and R.W. Fenwick, were adopted. Gen. Schoepf was one of the oldest examiners in the office, having first entered the government in 1856. During the war he enlisted, and as brigadier general was distinguished for his bravery.

U.S. General Civil War. Commandant of Camp Delaware. Born Krakow, Poland. Other family listed on memorial are in-laws: Julia B. Kesley, William Kesley; and children: Julie Magdalene, Emily Tyler, Burton Harrison, and Juliette Bates.

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Schoepf was born in Poland and came to the United States in 1851. While working as a porter in a Washington hotel, he met Joseph Holt, then the commissioner of patents. Schoepf followed Holt to the War Department, where he was given a field command in 1861, brigadier general of volunteers. He served in the Army of the Ohio until he asked to be relieved and was then given command of the federal prison camp at Fort Delaware, near New Castle, where he earned the unpopular nickname, "General Terror." The camp, located on a marshy site unsuitable for large numbers of prisoners, housed Confederate political and naval prisoners and had a notorious reputation for overcrowding and mistreatment.