

CIVIL WAR RECORD OF CAPTAIN BRADLEY DEAN.

Bradley Dean was born October 11, 1840, in Keene, New Hampshire. At the age of fifteen years he left home and went to Boston. Here he engaged in mercantile pursuits until May 26, 1862, when he was mustered into the United States service as a private in the Fourth Battalion Massachusetts Infantry. A question subsequently arising between the governor of the state and the federal authorities regarding the term of enlistment the entire Fourth Battalion was at once mustered out. Failing in this attempt he promptly sought other means for entering the army, and making personal application to Governor Andrew, David T. Bunker and himself were given authority to raise a company for the Thirty-third Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. Following is a copy of the Governor's official paper:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Headquarters, Boston, May 30, 1862.

Special Order, No. 109.

DAVID T. BUNKER and BRADLEY DEAN, of Boston, are authorized to raise a Company for the 33d Regiment of Massachusetts Infantry Volunteers, subject to the terms of General Order No. 17, May 29, 1862, a copy of which is herewith furnished.

By command of His Excellency John A. Andrew, Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

WILLIAM SCHOLEE,
Adjutant General.

General Order No. 17, referred to in the above, provided for the raising of thirty companies of infantry to serve for three years and one company of light artillery to serve for six months. The Thirty-third Regiment was ordered to rendezvous in Camp Edwin M. Stanton at Lynnfield, a short distance north of Boston. The work of raising the company was completed within sixty days, and on July 31 Bradley Dean was commissioned by Governor Andrew First Lieutenant of Company K. He was mustered into the service of the United States August 6, 1862, by Lieutenant M. Elder of the Eleventh United States Infantry.

On August 14 the regiment, consisting of twelve companies, with a total of 1,211 men, broke camp at Lynnfield and reported at Washington August 17. On August 24 the regiment marched to Alexandria, Virginia, and performed provost guard duty under General Slough until October 10, when another march was made to Fairfax Court House. Here the regiment was assigned to the Third Brigade, Second Division, Eleventh Army Corps. On November 27 Companies I and K were transferred to the Forty-first Massachusetts Infantry and ordered to report to General Banks at New York, which point they reached about December 2. Late in the same month, December, 1862, the two companies embarked on the transport "L. L. Sturgis" for New Orleans, the other portion of the regiment having left previously, December 4, for that place. The day following their arrival at New Orleans they embarked for Baton Rouge where they joined their regiment. From this place, on March 11, 1863, General Banks started the first movement against Port Hudson. On March 28 the regiment took up its part in the real work of the campaign, and between that time and April 20, following, had marched over three hundred miles, passing through Donaldsonville, Brashear City, New Iberia, and other points, to Opelousas, and in the meantime destroyed the rebel salt works at Bayou Petit Anse and secured two hundred horses. On April 14 the regiment took part in the fight at Irish Bend. Remaining at Opelousas till May 11, 1863, the troops obtained additional horses and the Forty-first Regiment was then converted into Mounted Rifles and sent to Barre's Landing.