

MILITARY RETURNS FROM FORT MYERS MILITARY POST

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Orders - Feb. 14, 1850

Establish post of Fort Myers. Brevet Major Samuel C. RIDGELY, 4th Artillery, in command of companies D, 1st Artillery and A, 4th Artillery, arrived at the Caloosa River, Feb. 18, 1850 and established post of Fort Myers, Feb. 20, 1850.

Officers

Artillery

Samuel C. RIDGELY	Capt., Brevet Major - 4th - Co. C	Post Comdr.
John PIMBERTON	1st Lt., Br. Major - 4th - Co. A	Co. Comdr.
Henry D. GRAFTON	1st Lt., Br. Capt. - 1st - Co. D	Co. Comdr.
James E. SLAUGHTER	2nd Lieutenant - 1st - Co. D	Commanding Detachment
William A. NIMMO	Brevet 2nd Lieut. - 4th - Co. A	Commanding Detachment
(joined command at Manatee River Feb. 16, 1850)		
J. W. EPPES	Acting surgeon	

Staff Duty

Samuel COOPER	Brevet Colonel	4th - Co. A
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Special Duty

Justin DIMICK	Brevet Colonel	1st - Co. D	
John W. PHELPS	1st Lieutenant	4th - Co. A	Revise system of Artillery
Edward C. BOYNTON	1st Lieutenant	1st - Co. D	
C. L. BEST	2nd Lieutenant	4th - Co. A	

Recruits of 4th Artillery, Company A - March 4, 1850

Patrick LAWLER	- Sergeant		
Robert CHRISTIAN	- Corporal	Andrew KELLY	- Private
Henry STRICKLAND	- Corporal	William MARINE	- Private
John HAMMOND	- Artificer	George A. MANDSLY	- Private
Lorenzo JONES	- Artificer	Frederick ROBINSON	- Private
Daniel CASEY	- Private	Reuben QUICK	- Private
Henry CUTTS	- Private	Robert WHEATLAND	- Private

Army Orders 1850

Feb. 16 - Convenes General Court Martial at Fort Clinch, Fla.  
 Feb. 23 - Forbid the dispensing of rations to employees from civil life.  
 Feb. 25 - Approves of the proceedings of General Court Martial at Fort Clinch.  
 Mar. 3 - 4th Artillery, Co. A. moved towards New Orleans, Mar. 4, 1850, leaving a detachment of one officer and 13 men.