

US BELT PLATE
WORN BY SGT. MARCELLUS W. DARLING
Co. K, 154th REGT., N.Y.S. VOL. INF.

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A SHANTY OF COMPANY K
THIS LITTLE PINE LOG HUT AT STAFFORD COURT HOUSE, VIRGINIA,
WAS ONE OF HUNDREDS OF SIMILAR WINTER QUARTERS BUILT AND
OCCUPIED BY MEMBERS OF THE 154th NEW YORK. YEARS AFTER
HE HAD SLEPT IN IT, MARCELLUS DARLING DIRECTED HIS SON IN
DRAWING THIS PICTURE OF HIS "HEADQUARTERS TENT"

MARCELLUS WARNER DARLING was born on March 9, 1844, at Leon. He worked on farms and attended the common schools until September of 1861, when he entered the Randolph Academy. Instead of returning the following fall, he enlisted, September 6, 1862, at Leon, to serve three years. Mustered in as private, Co. K, September 25, 1862, he was promoted corporal, January 6, 1864; sergeant, July 1, 1864; and mustered out with the regiment, June 11, 1865, near Bladensburg, Md. After a brief return home, he went to Michigan, where he attended Albion College and graduated in 1870. A series of teaching jobs followed until he entered the ministry, about 1876. He served in parishes in Michigan, Iowa, and Indiana. On Memorial Day in 1912 he attended a reunion of Co. K in the church in Leon many had enlisted in, and dedicated the soldiers' monument there. After a few years of failing health, Darling died, February 8, 1913, on Long Island and was buried in Sioux City, Iowa.



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