

1st Lieutenant John H. Barlow
Co. C – 32nd Virginia Infantry

John Holdsworth Barlow, Jr. was born October 13, 1838 in Williamsburg, Virginia. He was the son of John H. and Margaret Nelson Bellette Barlow.

He joined the Williamsburg Junior Guard on April 28, 1861 as a private. John was detailed as the Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant in July, 1861. August, 1861 finds John in Williamsburg on sick furlough.

On April 23, 1862 John was in Seminary Hospital in Williamsburg with Catarrhus. John was promoted 2nd Lieutenant for the Co. C on May 11, 1862 when the army reorganized. May 12, 1862 at Chimborazo Hospital #5 with debilities. May 29 till June, 6 at Chimborazo #1 with diarrhea.

On May 21, 1862, in between hospital visits, he ordered 100 pr shoes, 85 pants, 100 shirts, 100 drawers, 120 pr socks and 36 caps for Company C – 32nd Virginia Infantry.

Wounded and captured at Sharpsburg on September 17, 1862. Exchanged on November 8, 1862. From November, 1862 thru January, 1863 absent on furlough recovering from wounds. In February, 1863 he is back in the Chimborazo hospital under the care of Dr. Crenshaw. Returned to duty on March 10, 1863.

He was promoted 1st Lieutenant on January 29, 1863 and to Regimental Assistant Quartermaster in March, 1863.

June 27, 1864 thru August 31, 1864 sick at Chimborazo #4 and the Division Hospital in Petersburg, Virginia with Remittant Fever. On October 31, 1864 furloughed from Hosp. #4 to recover at a farm in New Kent County.

Signed parole on April 9, 1865 at Appomattox.

John returned to Williamsburg to practice law. On December 9, 1869 he married Mary M. DeNeufville and they lived with her father, a retired merchant on Duke of Gloucester Street. They had 2 daughters, Henrietta and Emma. The 1880 census shows John practicing law and Mary as a dry goods merchant. John died sometime after 1886 and is buried in the Cedar Grove Cemetery in Williamsburg.

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