

Field and Staff, 120th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, 9th Division, 13th Army Corps



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Lt. Colonel Williard **SLOCUM** entered service 25 Aug 1862 at age 41. He was promoted to Major from 1st Lieutenant and Adjutant 18 Feb 1863; to Lieut. Colonel 8 Sept 1863; mustered out 27 Nov 1864 by reason of consolidation; brevet Brig. General 13 Feb 1865. [brevet: a commission giving an officer higher nominal rank than that for which he receives pay]; Also listed as Capt. Co G, 23rd Regiment OH Inf.

Father: Elias SLOCUM

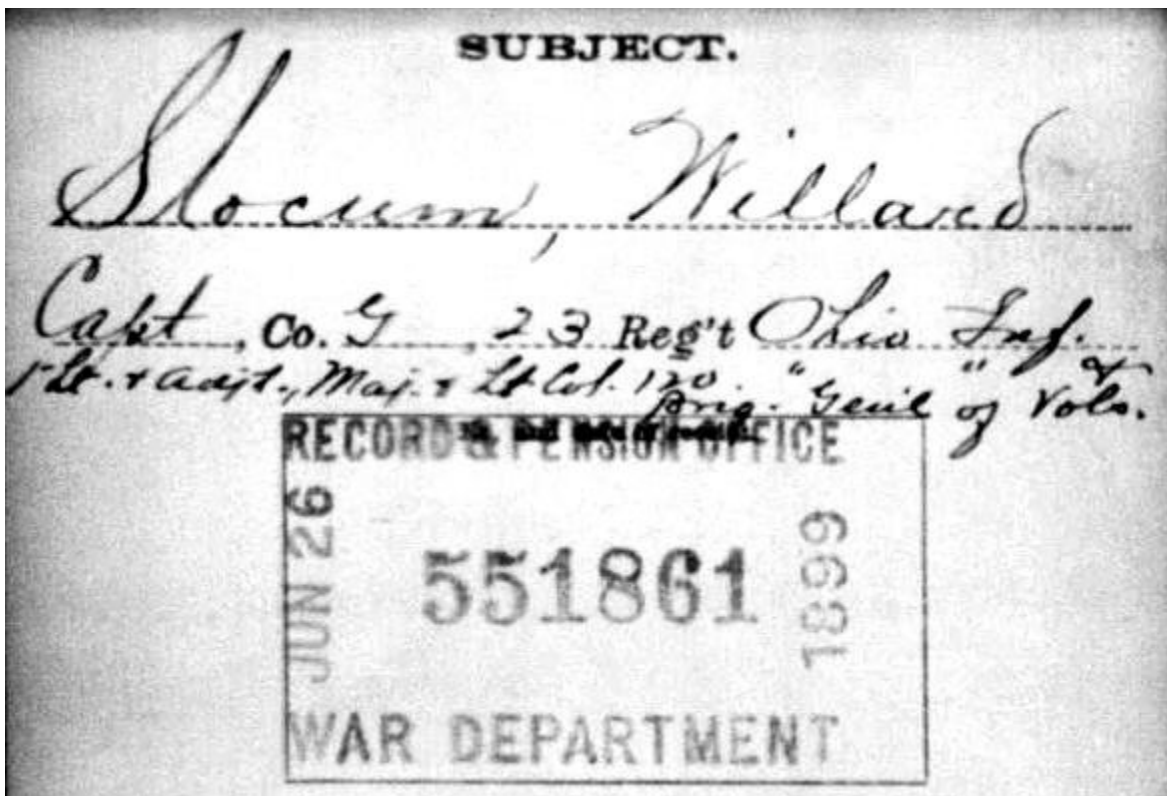
Mother: Anna HUNT

Birth: 8 April 1820 [A Short History of the Slocums, by Charles Elihu Slocum, 1882, pp 388 - 391]

Marriage: Caroline Augusta CARR, on 16 Nov 1847 in East Union Twp, Wayne county OH

Death: 23 Sep 1894 at Ashland, Ashland Co OH

Cemetery: Ashland Cemetery



General Correspondence of Pension Office

World Connect has a listing that says Williard's father was Elias SLOCUM and his mother was Anna HUNT.

1838 College at Kenyon College, Gambier, OH, for two years. [A Short History of the Slocums, by Charles Elihu Slocum, 1882, pp 388 - 391]

Admitted to bar 1844 at Richland Co OH. [A Short History of the Slocums, by Charles Elihu Slocum, 1882, pp 388 - 391]

Partnership in law with Charles T. and John Sherman at Ashland. [A Short History of the Slocums, by Charles Elihu Slocum, 1882, pp 388 - 391]

Family Search says that Willard SLOCUM married Caroline Augusta CARR, on 16 Nov 1847 in East Union Twp, Wayne county OH.

1850 Census, District no. 1 (Ashland), Ashland County OH, page 423: Williard SLOCUM, age 29 OH, lawyer; Caroline, age 21 OH; Rodny, age 2 months, OH.

1856 Partnership with Judge James Stewart. [A Short History of the Slocums, by Charles Elihu Slocum, 1882, pp 388 - 391]

1860 Delegate to Republican National Convention , Chicago, June, 1860 and Electoral College. [A Short History of the Slocums, by Charles Elihu Slocum, 1882, pp 388 - 391]

Father:

1860 Census, East Ashland, Ashland County OH, page 198: Elias SLOCUM, age 78 NY, a pettifogger ; Mary, age 67 CT. [a pettifogger: a lawyer who deals in petty cases: Webster's Dictionary 1879]

1860 Census, East half of Ashland, Ashland County OH, page 196: Williard SLOCUM, age 40 OH, a lawyer; Caroline A, age 30 OH; Rodnee/ Rodna V, male, age 10 OH; Charles S, age 8 OH; Eliza S, age 7 OH; Willard Mc, age 2 OH; Nancy BLISS, age 65 NY; Jennie BETCHEL, age 18 OH, a servant.

1870 Census, Incorporated Village of Ashland, Ashland County OH, page 731: Willard SLOCUM, age 50 OH, lawyer; Caroline A, age 40 OH; Vernon R, age 20 OH; Charles S, age 18 OH, clerk in assessors office; Lida A, age 16 OH; Willard M, age 12 OH; Augusta C, age 10 OH; Morton, age 4 OH; Oliver, age 1 OH; Julia BONHODLT, age 15 OH, domestic servant; Jane LUDWICK, age 30 OH, seamstress; Nancy P CARR, age 76, New Hampshire.

1880 Census, Ashland, Ashland County, OH, page 157: Willard SLOCUM, age 60 OH, lawyer, parents born NY; Caroline, wife, age 50 OH, parents born N. Hampshire; Vernon, son, age 29 OH, clerk; Lyda, daughter, age 24 OH; William, son, age 22 OH, laborer; Sherman, son, age 13 OH; Oliver M, son, age 11 OH; Henry, son, age 6 OH.

[Ashland county military archives:](#) Moved to Nebraska and became member of O'Neal Post, GAR Dept of Nebraska. [Note: What years did he live in NE?]

Pension Card: Willard SLOCUM, LC Field and Staff 120th OH Inf. Brevet Brig. Gen. US Vols. Lt. Col. 120 OH Inf. Invalid filed 20 Dec 1879. Application 331246, Certificate 215850.

Widow also applied. Pension Index: Widow Caroline A. SLOCUM applied 21 Dec 1894 in OH: Application 607530, Certificate 463207.

Death record: Williard SLOCUM died 23 Sep 1894 at Ashland, Ashland Co OH. Age 74. Born 1820.

Wooster Republican, 6 Sep 1866, page 2:

"Delegates to Philadelphia. The Union State Central Committee, and many leading Union men from almost every county in the State, assembled in Columbus on the 29th ult., and appointed the following gentlemen as delegates at large to the Philadelphia Convention, called by Southern Loyalists." General Willard Slocum was one of the Delegates from the 14th District.

The Columbus Jornal, 26 Sept 1894, page 2:

"Gen. William Slocum Dead.

Ashland, Neb.[sic], Sept. 25.--General William Slocum died Sunday, aged 74. He was inspector general of the Thirteenth army corps before and during the siege of Vicksburg, and was breveted brigadier general. He was one of the two delegates appointed by Governor Brough to meet with the loyal men of the south in 1866."

The Abbeville [South Carolina] Press and Banner, 17 Oct 1894, page 6:

"General Willard Slocum died in Ashland, Ohio, aged seventy-four. He was brevetted a Brigadier-General in 1865 for bravery."

Plain Dealer [Cleveland OH], 24 Sep 1894: A Soldier's Record

"Ashland, Sept. 23.--(Special.)--Gen. Willard Slocum died this forenoon aged seventy-four. He was classmate of Senator John Sherman and Samuel J. Kirkwood of Iowa and as national Republican delegate in 1860 was one of the first to change from Chase to Lincoln. He was adjutant, major and lieutenant colonel of the One Hundred and Twentieth O. V. I. and inspector general of the Thirteenth Army corps during the siege of Vicksburg, was breveted a brigadier general in 1865 for bravery with Martin Welker of Wooster. He was a delegate appointed by Gov. John Brough to meet in 1866 at Philadelphia with the loyal men of the south. He has three sons practicing law in Chicago."

Willard SLOCUM died in 1894 and is buried in Ashland Cemetery according to <http://www.rootsweb.com/~ohashlan/Vets-CivilWar.htm>

1900 Census, 1067 W. North Ave, Chicago Ward 15, Cook Co IL, Dwelling 184, Family 326: Willard SLOCUM, age 41 OH, born Jul 1858, married 13 yrs, parents born OH, salesman; Elizabeth, wife, age 32 IA, born May 1868, married 13 yrs, 2 children/2 still living, parents born Germany; Charles, son, age 12 NE, born Sep 1887; Hazel, daughter, age 9 NE, born Jan 1891; Caroline A, mother, age 71 OH, born Sep 1829, widow, father born VT, mother born NY, 9 children/7 still living; Earl H. brother, age 26 OH, born Oct 1873, single, sales clerk; Oliver J, brother, age 31 OH, single, sales clerk; Rodney V, brother, age 50 OH, born May 1850, married, drug manufacturer.

Illinois, Cook Co Deaths: Caroline A. SLOCUM died 7 Dec 1901 at Cook Co IL, age 72, widow, born <1829> in OH, Burial Ashland Co OH. Spouse Williard Slocum.

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