

**HALLER, Granville O.**, soldier and pioneer, was born at York, Pa., Jan. 31, 1819, son of George and Susan (Pennington) Haller. He was appointed from civil life, and commissioned second lieutenant in the 4th U. S. infantry, Nov. 17, 1839. He served through the Seminole war in Florida in 1841-42, and is frequently mentioned in Sprague's history of "The Origin, Progress and Conclusion of the Florida War." He was adjutant of the 4th infantry from Jan. 1, 1843, until his resignation in 1845, and was promoted first lieutenant July 2, 1846. He served under Gen. Taylor in the war with Mexico until after the capture of Monterey, when his regiment was transferred to Gen. Worth's division. He was in every battle to the capture of the City of Mexico, with Worth's division, and was brevetted captain and then major for gallant and meritorious conduct on the field. In 1853 he went to Washington territory, and later to Fort Dallas, Ore. during the Indian wars fought many engagements, and after hard fighting utterly annihilated the tribe that committed the Boise river massacre. He established and built Fort Townsend, on Puget sound, in 1857, and participated in the San Juan embroglio in 1859. In 1860 he was assigned to the command of the military post of Fort Mojave, Ariz., and early in 1861 was ordered to San Diego, Cal., and finally to New York to join the army then being organized by Gen. McClellan. On his arrival he found that he had been promoted commandant of the general headquarters on McClellan's staff, and the 93d New York volunteers were placed under his command as general headquarters guard. He was employed during the Virginia and Maryland campaigns under McClellan, the subsequent campaign of Burnside, and for a short time under Hooker. At the close of the civil war he returned to Puget sound, where he established a general merchandise store and built up a large trade, but in 1879 returned to the regular army as colonel of the 23d infantry, and served with his regiment until his retirement. He was a 32d degree Mason, member of the Washington Pioneers, and for one term president of the Pioneer Association; also a member of the Military Order of Foreign Wars; an active companion of the Loyal Legion of the United States, and for one year commander of the Washington Commandery. He was married, June 21, 1849, to Henrietta M. Cox, of York, Pa., and had five children. He died at Seattle, Wash., May 2, 1897.



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