

GOVERNOR HUGHES SENDS AN ESCORT

Remains of General Phisterer Are
Brought to Columbus for
Burial in Green Lawn.

Escorting the remains of the late General Frederick Phisterer, Colonel George A. Wingate and Major Frank A. McNeely of the New York National guard, arrived in Columbus Saturday morning, having been appointed by Governor Hughes to convey the body to Columbus for burial.

The remains were taken in charge, upon arrival, by the R. E. Jones & Son Undertaking company and removed to the chapel in Green Lawn. Friends who wished to pay their last respects did so between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, at the chapel in the cemetery, and funeral services were held at the latter hour, conducted by the Rev. T. I. Reese, rector of Trinity church.

General Phisterer, who was formerly a prominent resident of Columbus, was for the past 17 years assistant adjutant general of New York and was known as the "father of the New York National Guard."

GUARD OF HONOR FOR PHISTERER COFFIN

The body of General Frederick Phisterer, formerly of Columbus, who died Wednesday at Albany, N. Y., arrived in Columbus at 6:30 a. m., Saturday, over the Big Four.

Funeral services will be held at the mortuary chapel at Green Lawn cemetery at 3 p. m. Saturday. Interment at Green Lawn.

General Wingate and Major McNeely were appointed as special guards of honor by Governor Hughes of New York to accompany the body.

All friends desiring to see the body can do so between the hours of 1 and 3 Saturday afternoon at the Green Lawn chapel.

The death of Gen. Frederick Phisterer involves a decided loss to the National Guard and to the state of New York, to which he had given long, devoted and very valuable service. General Phisterer was nearly seventy-three years old at the time of his death, and had relinquished some of the activities with which he had been identified, but he had a remarkable record of efficiency as a soldier and military organizer. Coming from Germany when a boy, in early manhood he enlisted in the Regular Army, and served with bravery in fights against Indians on the plains and during the Civil War, getting repeatedly recognition for distinguished gallantry, one of the distinctions being the awarding of the Congressional medal of honor. In later years, as Assistant Adjutant General and Acting Adjutant General in this state, he bore a most important part in reorganizing the National Guard and bringing it to the present excellent condition. His specially effective service during the Spanish-American War brought him the brevet of Major General. Governor Hughes, in an appreciative tribute to the dead officer, says: "He is entitled to be called the father

THE FATHER OF THE GUARD.

This country lost a patriotic citizen and the State of New York a member of its military organization whose position was unique when General Frederick Phisterer died. He was a mere boy when he came to this country from his native Germany, and, like so many of his countrymen, his speech never lost its foreign accent; but as a soldier in the regular army, which he entered at nineteen and where he advanced from the ranks to a captaincy, as well as in the national guard, where he occupied a position of high trust, he was the embodiment of that good American citizenship to which foreign birth and a strange tongue are no bar.

General Phisterer's record in the regular army was honorable, distinguished by valor and bravery, which received deserved recognition at the hands of the government; but his more eminent services were performed as an officer of the state soldiery, which owes its present efficiency largely to his instrumentality. For twenty-nine years he was the master mind of the adjutant general's department, where his good judgment, tact and knowledge of men often did much to bridge over unpleasant situations and to restore harmony where but for his counsel the opposite might have supervened. He was a diligent student and contributed valuable material to the military literature of his day. His work was