

Gettysburg National Military Park



9th Massachusetts Battery



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Organized at Lynnfield, Massachusetts

Mustered into service on August 10, 1862

Participating in their first battle on July 2, 1863, the 9th Massachusetts faced a difficult situation: hold the line at all hazards. As the Confederates attacked toward the Trostle farm, the 9th Massachusetts covered the Union retreat and eventually returned to the safety of the Union battle line. Though four of its six guns were captured, the battery bought valuable time which allowed the Union army to rally.