



Lieutenant Adam Slemmer

Saving Fort Pickens

Lieutenant Slemmer commanded Company G, 1st U.S. Artillery at Fort Barrancas on Pensacola Bay, Florida in January of 1861. Transferring his men to the stronger Fort Pickens and refusing repeated demands to surrender, his actions saved Fort Pickens for the Union, denying Confederate use of an important harbor and navy yard in the South.

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