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Mrs. Harry W. Durand, Jr.
Scenic Highway
Lookout Mountain, Tennessee

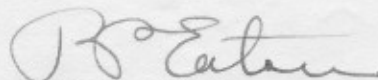
Dear Mrs. Durand:

Reference your letter of 2 February 1952, the records of this Headquarters indicate that your grandfather, Arthur Sherburne Hardy, was appointed to the United States Military Academy from the 4th district of Massachusetts and was admitted as a cadet on 1 July 1865 at the age of 17 years and 10 months. He was graduated on 15 June 1869, standing No. 10 in a class of 39 members, and was commissioned as 2nd Lieutenant, 3rd Artillery, in the United States Army.

Mr. Hardy was born on 13 August 1847 in Andover, Massachusetts, the son of Alpheus and Susan Holmes Hardy.

I regret to inform you that after careful checking of all our records, the records of the Military Academy Library and the Association of Graduates, there is no mention of the date and place of Mr. Hardy's first marriage. The records mention that he was married twice, the first time to Miss Katherine Purley Wood and that they had one son. The Annual Report of the Association of Graduates, dated 11 June 1930, states on 9 March 1898, in Athens, Greece, he married Miss Grace Aspinwall Bowen daughter of Mr. Henry C. Bowen of Brooklyn, New York. This report also indicates that Mr. Hardy died on 13 March 1930 at Woodstock, Connecticut, aged 82 years and was survived by his wife, a grandson, Gelston Hardy of New York, and a granddaughter, Mrs. H. Kitchin, London, England.

Sincerely yours,



R. P. EATON
Colonel, AGC
Adjutant General