

AMSBERG

AMSBERG GEORGE

Born in 1817 in the city of Hildesheim, Hanover, Germany. Enlisted in the Austrian army, and became an officer in one of the Hungarian hussar regiments, where he learned the Hungarian language so well, that he spoke it more willingly than his mother tongue. After the outbreak of the War of Independence he went over to the Hungarian army together with his entire regiment, and as an adjutant of General Dembinski became a colonel. He distinguished himself especially in the battles at Szolnok and Debreczen. After the War of Independence he was sentenced to a prison for 16 years, of which he served nine years. He was pardoned upon the condition that he would leave the monarchy. Coming to America he became a riding master in Hoboken, N. J. He fought in the Civil War as a colonel of the 45th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment, which belonged to the German division of General Blenker. Later he was in command of a brigade under Generals Sigel and Schurz.

(In Bibliography see: Numbers 36, 32, 82, 95, 219.)

1861