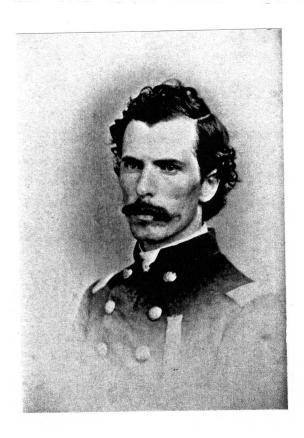
PRESENTATION COLT POLICE REVOLVER, MODEL 1862, CAL. .36 PRESENTED TO "P.H. JONES, 154th N.Y.V." (ENGRAVED ON BACKSTRAP)



PATRICK HENRY JONES was born November 20, 1830, in County Westmeath, Ireland; the first born of seven children raised by James and Ellen (Lynch) Jones. He was named after his grandfathers, Patrick Jones and Henry Lynch. At the age of seven Patrick began attending school at a monastery in County Wicklow. Three years later the Jones family came to America, landing in New York on June 5, 1840. The family settled on a farm in Cattaraugus County. Patrick worked on the farm and attended the common schools, until the age of 20. Then, in 1850, he became a journalist, and was local editor of the Buffalo Republic and later an editor of the Buffalo Sentinel. During this period he traveled through the western states as a correspondent. Journalism was not to his liking, however, and in 1853 he went to Ellicottville to study law with Addison G. Rice. He was admitted to the bar at the general term held in Buffalo on November 18, 1856, and formed a partnership with Rice under the firm name of Rice and Jones. Soon thereafter. Jones left the firm and formed a partnership with Judge Allen D. Scott. However, he was to become an absentee partner. At the outbreak of the Civil War he left his lucrative practice and many friends to enter the service. He enlisted July 7, 1861, and was made second lieutenant in the 37th New York Infantry Volunteers. With this regiment he participated in the battles of Yorktown, Williamsburg, Seven Pines, Malvern Hill, Second Bull Run, and