

ROBINSON, James Sidney, soldier, b. near Mansfield, Ohio, 14 Oct., 1827. He learned the printer's trade in Mansfield, and in 1846 established the Kenton "Republican," which he edited for eighteen years. In 1856 he was secretary of the first convention of the Republican party that was held in Ohio. He was for two sessions clerk of the state house of representatives. At the beginning of the civil war he enlisted in the 4th Ohio regiment, and was soon made a captain. He took part in the operations at Rich Mountain, Va., was promoted major in October, 1861, served under Gen. John C. Frémont in the Shenandoah valley, and became lieutenant-colonel in April, and colonel in August, 1862. He was engaged at the second battle of Bull Run, and at Cedar Mountain and Chancellorsville, and was severely wounded at Gettysburg. He commanded a brigade under Gen. Joseph Hooker and Gen. Alpheus S. Williams in the Atlanta campaign and the march to the sea, was commissioned brigadier-general of volunteers on 12 Jan., 1865, received the brevet of major-general on 13 March, and was mustered out on 31 Aug. On his return to Ohio he became chairman of the state Republican committee. In 1879 he was appointed by the governor commissioner of railroads and telegraphs. He was elected to congress for two successive terms, serving from 5 Dec., 1881, till 12 Jan., 1885, and subsequently held the office of secretary of state of Ohio.