

The Silver Grays Disbanded!
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This somewhat celebrated company, composed principally of men averaging sixty years of age, from this county, who have been performing guard duty at Camp Curtin and the State Arsenal at Harrisburg during the past winter, were mustered out of the United States service on Wednesday of last week. The order to this effect came direct from the War Department. We are not informed as to the prime cause of this singular procedure, but presume it must have been all-sufficient—at least in the eyes of “the powers that be.” We may be pardoned for saying, however, that it strikes us as being exceeding bad policy to have authorized the formation of this company and accepted their services, only—after the trouble and expense of organizing had been experienced—to cut loose from them altogether at the end. Cannot our friend and correspondent, “High Private,” shed a few rays of light on the subject through the medium of a communication?