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back through Maryland and Virginia to Appomattox, the Sixth Ohio Cavalry engaged General Lee's Confederate Army. Four appendices provide additional data: battles and skirmishes, the names of the wounded and captured, the Roll of Honor, and the Sixth Ohio Cavalry roster. An index, seventeen maps, ninety photographs, ten Harper's Weekly illustrations, a post-war epilog, and a bibliography enhance the text.