

The following is a list and brief account of ten grandsons, of Gen John Eager Howard (who served with the Maryland Line during the Revolution) who enlisted in the Confederate Army during the Civil War 1861-1865.

To these grandsons I have added the names of a great grandson and of a great grand nephew.

Most of these enlisted as privates in the Confederate Army, moved by a sense of duty to the right, and all of them deem it a title of honor to have lived and served with Lee.

George Howard of George was born 9th May 1822, at the outbreak of the war, he was 1st Lieutenant of Captain George R Gaithers Company of Howard County Dragoons which went South early in 1861 - he was captured near Falls Church Fairfax Va in the Summer of 1861 and remained in prison for some time.

In the Summer of 1862 he was elected 1st Lieutenant of "C" Company 1st Maryland Cavalry, his Captain being Robert Carter Smith upon whose promotion to the Majority of the Regiment, George Howard was promoted to a Captaincy.

He served with his Company until the Summer of 1864 when he was captured by the enemy and remained in prison until nearly the close of the war, and was among those Confederate prisoners exposed to the fire of our guns on Morris Island South Carolina.

His father formerly was Governor of Maryland. Captain George Howard returned to Baltimore after the close of the war, and was for some years a clerk of the

the levizinnal court of Baltimore until his death, which took place July 7th 1846

William Key Howard son of Dr William Howard was born July 27th 1829. He was a Lieutenant in the Maryland Guard and went South with Captain James R Herbert in the Spring of 1861 and became 1st Lieutenant of "D" Company of the 1st Maryland Confederate Infantry - his Captain being James R Herbert and his Regiment was commanded by Colonel Arnold Elzey - the Lieut Col being George H Stewart and the Major was Bradley T Johnson.

On the disbanding of the 1st Maryland in 1862, William Key Howard volunteered in the 4th Virginia Cavalry and served in that command until the close of the war. After the war, he lived near Fredericksburg Virginia and died within the past two or three years.

John Eager Howard of Charles was born 27th May 1828, seeing no prospect of service in his native state, he went South in the Spring of 1861 and joined the Company ("D") of Captain James R Herbert of the 1st Maryland Infantry and was soon made Cornet or Quarter Master Sergeant of that Regiment in which capacity he served till the Regiment was disbanded, he was afterwards made the Quarter-master of the Maryland line and served as such until the close of the war.

During the Rail Road Strike riots of 1877, he joined the 7th Regiment of Maryland National Guards and

rendered valuable assistance in the Quartermasters Department of that Regiment - Since then he has served several years as Clerk in the office of the Adjutant General of the State of Maryland.

Charles Howard of Charles was born 6th February 1830, In the Spring of 1864 he went South and joined the company of Captain James R. Herbert of the 1st Maryland Infantry, but was soon made Major and Commissary on the Staff of Genl Arnold Elzey who commanded the 4th Brigade of Evells ^{Division} ~~Corps~~ of General Joseph E. Johnston's Army - When Genl Elzey was wounded at the battle of Gaines' Mill, Major Howard remained with his command under Genl Early, but when Genl Elzey was put in command of the Department of Richmond, Major Howard was transferred to that Department as Commissary and served there until near the close of the war, when he was transferred to Western Virginia and served there under Genl Lomax until the war ended.

James Howard of Charles was born October 22nd 1832 - he was serving in the Regular Army as 2nd Lieutenant until just before the outbreak of hostilities in 1864, when he resigned his Commission in the Army and reported for service at Montgomery, then the Capital of the Confederate States. He was assigned to duty with Genl Bragg at Pensacola Florida, where he remained for some months, but seeing no chance of active operations

at that point, he applied for transfer to Virginia and was assigned to duty on the staff of Genl G. N. Smith and served in that position till the Summer of 1862, when he was promoted to the rank of Lieut-colonel and placed in command of two Battalions (18th + 20th Va) of Heavy Artillery around Richmond and served as such until the close of the war, he and most of his command were captured at Sailor's Creek after ^{showing a} resistance which provoked an expression of astonishment on the part of Genl Wright of the 5th Corps United States Army.

His command was part of Major Genl Lee's Lee's Division

Since the War - Colonel Howard has served first as assistant, and afterwards for several terms as Adjutant General of the State of Maryland. In the Summer of 1877 he raised and commanded the 7th Regiment of Maryland National Guard, which did useful service during the Rail Road strike riots.

Edward Lloyd Howard was born 14th January 1837 - he was a son of Charles Howard and had graduated as a Physician shortly before the war. He was a member of the Maryland Guard during the excited times in Baltimore in the Spring of 1861. In May 1861 he went South and joined the Company of Captain Edward R. Dorey in Richmond. This company remained in camp Lee near Richmond until June, when it was ordered to Winchester and joined the 1st Maryland Infantry under

the command of Colonel Arnold Elzey, it became "C" company in the regiment.

Edward Howard served as a private in the company until the Autumn of 1861, when there was a demand for more Surgeons, and a call was made for applicants to come before examining Boards to supply the needs of the Army, and he presented himself before the Examining Board at Centerville to be examined for the position of Assistant Surgeon with the rank of Captain, but he passed such an examination that the Board recommended his Commission as Full Surgeon, with the rank of Major.

He was first assigned to duty as Surgeon of Courttenays Company of Artillery, but soon became Surgeon of a Battalion of Artillery and afterwards was Senior Surgeon of the Artillery of Jackson's Corps. He was, on his own application, transferred to Cooks Brigade - Heth's Division Hills. Corps and served there till the end of the war.

The war being over, he returned to his native city Baltimore and commenced the practice of medicine at that place. He was a Professor in the Dental College and also in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, of which latter institutions he was (I believe) one of the founders.

He was Quarantine Hospital Physician of the Port of Baltimore for a number of years, and was appointed, by Surgeon General Woodworth U.S. Marine Hospital Service, one of the Commissioners to visit New Orleans and the South to enquire into the Epidemic of Yellow Fever in the year 1878. In the course of this duty, he contracted Yellow Fever, of which he recovered.

but his health was so impaired as to end in Bright's Disease of the Kidneys, to which I attribute his death, He died on 5th September 1881

Mr Henry Howard - son of Charles, was born December 26th 1838. He was a graduate of Princeton College and studied law in the office of Mr S. Teakle Wallis. He was a member of the Maryland Guard during the trouble in Baltimore in the Spring of 1861 - He went to Richmond on 4th of June 1861 and joined the company of Captain William H Murray, this company was ordered to Winchester in June and joined the 1st Maryland Infantry under Col Amos Elzey, and was "H" Company in the Regiment. In this company, of which he became the orderly sergeant, he remained during the Summer and Fall of 1861. In the Spring of 1862 he was appointed to the Staff of Genl Charles S Winder, Commanding the Stonewall Brigade, and was with that command till Genl Winder's death at Slaughter Mountain. After this he was appointed a member of Genl Trimble's Staff, but remained on duty with General George Stewart's command until Genl Trimble recovered his health. After Genl Trimble's capture at Gettysburg, Captain Howard served on Genl George Stewart's Staff until the capture of that officer and most of his command on 12th May at Spottsylvania Court House, he also fell into the hands of the enemy, and after a weary imprisonment at Fort Delaware, he was exchanged, and after his return to Virginia, he served on the Staff of Genl Custis Lee, with whose command he remained until the capture of most of that command at Sailor's Creek - He remained in prison to the

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end of the war. On his return to Baltimore after the close of the war he began the practice of law.

He has served the State more than once as a volunteer soldier, he was one of the originators and captain in the 5th Maryland Regiment under Col James R Herbert, and raised and commanded "B" company of the 7th Regiment of Maryland Volunteers during the riots and strikes of 1847.

John Eager Howard of Scues was born 17th Nov 1826 & died 4th March 1876. He was a member of the Maryland Guard in 1861. He went South and became a member of Capt James R Herbert's Company "D" of the 1st Maryland Infantry at Harpers Ferry - He served as a member of that company until it was disbanded in 1862, he then joined "E" company of the 1st Maryland Cavalry under Captain Robert Carter Smith and served in that organization until the end of the war. He was taken prisoner in the Summer of 1864 and was kept for a time in Elmira New York - but after some weeks he was exchanged and returned to his command in Virginia.

James McHenry Howard - son of Scues - was born 26th March 1839. He was a student at the University of Virginia when the war began. As a member of Capt Edward S Hatters company of Students (Southern Guard) he was with the Virginia troops which occupied Harpers Ferry in April 1864. The company being disbanded by the wish of Genl Lee, he

joined Company "E" of the 1st Maryland Infantry C & A and served until his company was mustered out in 1862.

He was a volunteer with Pelham's Battery Stuart Horse Artillery for several weeks around Richmond and was made Adjutant to Col Thomas S Rhett Comdg the Light and Heavy Artillery commands around Richmond. In 1864 he was assigned to duty as Ordnance Officer on the Staff of Major Gen Armand Elzey in the Valley of Virginia, and as a volunteer accompanied Gen Bradley Johnson on his expedition into Maryland in the summer of 1864. In August 1864 he was assigned to the Engineer Corps Army of Northern Va as Ordnance Officer, and later on was appointed by Gen Walter H Stevens as Acting Adjutant Gen of the Corps in which he served to the end of the war. Since the war he has served as Adjutant of the 7th Regiment during the riots of 1877. And after serving as Assistant to the Quarantine Hospital Physician, he was made Quarantine Hospital Physician for nearly three years.

David Ridgely Howard of James was born 7th January 1844. At the outbreak of the war he was a student at Mr Wm Dinwiddie's school at Greenwood Depot - Albemarle County Virginia. He returned to Baltimore and joined Captain Harry Carroll's company in the Maryland Guard.

He remained in Baltimore until the summer of 1862, and then came South and joined the company of Captain William H Murray of the 2nd Regiment Maryland Infantry.

He served with this company in the Valley of Virginia

and was with it at Winchester & Gettysburg where he was wounded, and where his company suffered heavily, losing the gallant Murray and many others of that splendid command.

After his recovery he served with his company along the Rappahannock, on the Bristol Station Campaign, and was at Hanover Junction, and took part in the gallant charge at daybreak at 2nd Cold Harbor, where the Marylanders covered themselves with glory, and recovered and restored General Breckinridge's broken lines.

During the engagements around Petersburg, private Howard took his part and did his share, until wounded in the fight on the Weldon Road, where he lost his foot and came near dying from the neglect of one of the Surgeons of a Richmond Hospital.

John Eager Howard Post was a great grandson of Genl John Eager Howard he was born 19th January 1841 - and died 12th Febry 1876.

He left his home in Baltimore in the Spring of 1861 and after his arrival in Virginia he joined the company of Capt William H Murray of the 1st Maryland Infantry, and served with that company until it was disbanded in the Summer of 1862. He then joined Captain Robert Carter Smith's Co "C" of the 1st Maryland Cavalry of which Regiment he was made Sergeant Major and afterwards was made the adjutant, which position he was filling when the war ended -

He returned to Baltimore and after the 5th Regiment was formed, he became a member of that organization and at his death was a captain of one of the companies in that Regiment.

George Howard Elder a great grand nephew of Rev. John Eager Howard was born August 4th 1840.

In the year 1862 he went South and joined the Cavalry Company ("C") of Captain Robert Carter Smith of the 1st Maryland Cavalry U.S.A. in which command he served faithfully till the end of the war. He was badly wounded in the arm at (I think) Brandy Station, and has suffered since the war from his wound reopening.