

what remained of these brave men sought safety in flight from the pitiless fire of the First Maryland. It was then learned that the gallant command which had made such a stubborn fight and wrought such havoc in the ranks of the Fifty-eighth Virginia and First Maryland was the Battalion of Pennsylvania Bucktail Sharpshooters attached to Fremont's army, a body of picked riflemen, under command of Lieutenant-Colonel T. L. Kane, who was wounded and taken prisoner.

In this short, sharp encounter the First Maryland lost six killed and eleven wounded, six mortally. Colonel Bradley T. Johnson in his official report of this fight says :

" I lost Captain M. S. Robertson, Company I, a gallant officer, who fell at the head of his men in a charge, shouting : ' Go on, my men ; don't mind me ! ' Here also fell Second Lieutenant Nicholas Snowden, a true and brave soldier, who died as became his life, in the arms of victory, with his face to the foe. Near him fell the chivalrous Ashby. Here also died Privates William E. Harris and L. R. Schley, Company H ; Murphy, Company G, and E. W. Beatty, Company D. Beatty was advanced in years, and has steadily refused promotion at my hand, preferring to carry his rifle. My colors fell twice, but were caught before they touched the ground. Color Sergeant Joseph Doyle was severely wounded and left in a house in the neighborhood ; Color Corporal Taylor was badly shot, and Color Corporal Daniel Shanks carried them the rest of the time."

The First Maryland was highly complimented for its gallantry at the battle of Harrisonburg by both Generals Jackson and Ewell in their official reports, and the latter directed that one of the bucktails be appended to the color staff in the following order :

HEADQUARTERS THIRD DIVISION.

*General Order No. 30.*

In commemoration of the gallant conduct of the First Maryland Regiment on the 6th of June, when led by Colonel Bradley T. Johnson they drove back with loss the " Pennsylvania Bucktail Rifles," in the engagement near Harrisonburg, Rockingham County, Virginia, authority is given to have one of the captured " Bucktails " (the ensignia of the Federal regiment) appended to the color-staff of the First Maryland Regiment.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR-GENERAL EWELL.

JAMES BARBOUR, A. A. G.

General Jackson in his official report said :

... " In a short time the Fifty-eighth Virginia Regiment became engaged with a Pennsylvania regiment called the Bucktails, when Colonel Johnson, of the First Maryland Regiment, coming up in the hottest period of the