

MAGRUDER, John Bankhead, soldier, b. in Winchester, Va., 15 Aug., 1810; d. in Houston, Tex., 19 Feb., 1871. He was graduated at the U. S. military academy in 1830, assigned to the artillery, and served in the west, in Maine, and at Fort McHenry, Baltimore. In the Mexican war he commanded the light battery of Gen. Pillow's division, and was brevetted major for gallantry at Cerro Gordo, and lieutenant-colonel for Chapultepec, where he was severely wounded. After the war he served in Maryland, California, and Newport, R. I., where he was in command of Fort Adams. While holding this last post he added greatly to the gayety of Newport by the splendid entertainments that he gave at the fort during the fashionable season. When Virginia seceded, he resigned his commission, that of captain of artillery, and entered the Confederate army. After gaining the battle of Big Bethel, he was made brigadier-general and placed in command of the

Confederate forces on the peninsula, with his headquarters at Yorktown, where for several weeks he opposed the advance of the National army. He was then promoted major-general and took part in the seven days' fighting around Richmond, especially in the battle of Malvern Hill.

On 16 Oct., 1862, he was placed in command of the Department of Texas, and on 1 Jan., 1863, he recovered Galveston from the National forces, capturing the steamer "Harriet Lane," and dispersing for a time the blockading squadron. He remained in command in Texas until the close of the war, when he entered the army of Maximilian in Mexico, with the rank of major-general, serving until the emperor's downfall and execution. He then returned to the United States and lectured, in Baltimore and other cities, on Mexico. In 1869 he settled in Houston, where he remained until his death.—His niece, **Julia**, author, b. in Charlottesville, Va., 14 Sept., 1854, has published "Across the Chasm," anonymous (New York, 1885); "At Anchor" (Philadelphia, 1887); and "A Magnificent Plebeian" (New York, 1887).



M. Magruder.



J. B. Magruder.

1460..(Born Md.)... **WILLIAM T. MAGRUDER**....(Ap'd Md.)..11

Military History.—Cadet at the U. S. Military Academy from July 1, 1846, to July 1, 1850, when he was graduated and promoted in the Army to
BVT. SECOND LIEUT. OF DRAGOONS, JULY 1, 1850.

Served: at the Cavalry School for Practice, Carlisle, Pa., 1850-51; on frontier duty at Ft. Snelling, Min., 1851-53,—Scouting, 1851,—in pursuit of Chip-
(SECOND LIEUT., 1ST DRAGOONS, OCT. 9, 1851)

pewa Indians, and in a Skirmish with them at St. Croix Falls, Min., Apr. 28, 1853, killing one with his own hands,—Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., 1854,—Quartermaster, 1st Dragoons, Aug. 1, 1854, to June 30, 1858,—Ft. Union, N. M., 1854-55,—and Taos, N. M., 1855; on Expedition against the Utah and Apache
(FIRST LIEUT., 1ST DRAGOONS, MAR. 3, 1855)

Indians, 1855, being engaged in a Skirmish in the Chow-a-tah Pass, Mar. 19, 1855,—Skirmish beyond Punch Pass, Mar. 22, 1855,—and Surprise of 200 Utah Indians, Apr. 29, 1855, on the head-waters of the Arkansas; on frontier duty at Ft. Union, N. M., 1855-56,—March to California, 1856,—and at Ft. Tejon, Cal., 1856-58; on Recruiting service, 1858-60; as Adjutant, 1st Dragoons, May 1 to Sep. 26, 1860; on leave of absence, 1860-61; and on frontier
(CAPTAIN, 1ST DRAGOONS, JAN. 8, 1861: 1ST CAVALRY, AUG. 3, 1861)

duty at Camp Sprague, Cal., 1862.

Served during the Rebellion of the Seceding States, 1862: in the Virginia Peninsular Campaign (Army of the Potomac), July 1 to Aug. 3, 1862; and on leave of absence, Aug. 3 to Oct. 1, 1862.

RESIGNED, OCT. 1, 1862.

Joined in the Rebellion of 1861-66 against the United States, and was

KILLED, JULY 3, 1863, AT THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG, PA: AGED 37.
