Colorado Confederate Generals

Submitted by Gary Parrott

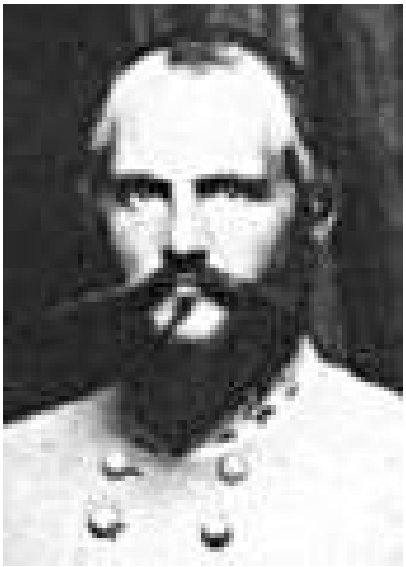
James Deshler

(1833 – 1863*)

Brigadier General, Deshler's Brigade
General Patrick R. Cleburne's Division: Army of the Tennessee - CSA

Note: he was 1st Lieutenant of Company H, 10th Infantry Regiment - USA, stationed in Colorado (at Fort Wise and Fort Garland) prior to the start of the War (July 1860-June 1861); he tendered his resignation on June 29, 1861 (there is no record that it was officially accepted) and took a leave-of-absence; while on leave he offered his services to the CSA and was commissioned on July 19, 1861, as a Captain of Artillery - Army of the Northwest (General Loring's Command) - CSA; a year later (on July 28, 1862), he was promoted to Brigadier General; and, on September 20, 1863 he was KIA during the *Battle of Chickamauga*.

John Horace Forney



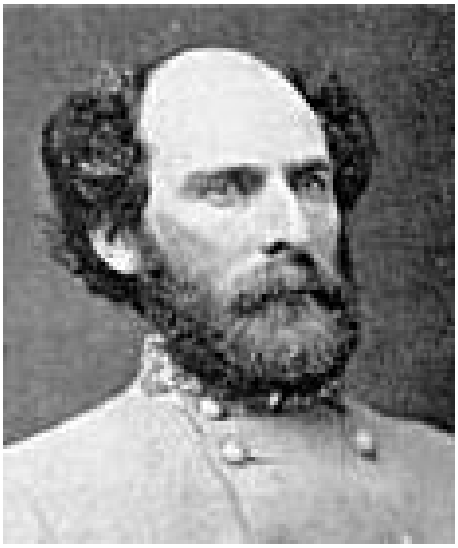
(1829 – 1902*)

Major General, Department of the Trans - Mississippi
Texas Division - CSA

Note: he was 1st Lieutenant of Company F, 10th Infantry Regiment – USA, stationed at Fort Garland, Colorado Territory, prior to the start of the War; on September 4, 1859, he accepted a temporary teaching assignment at West Point; on January 23, 1861, he tendered his resignation and soon thereafter offered his services to the CSA; on March 16, 1861, he was commissioned as Captain of Artillery - CSA; on June 4, 1861, he was promoted to Colonel of the 10th Alabama Infantry Regiment - CSA; on March 10, 1862, he was promoted to Brigadier General; and, on October 27, 1862, he was promoted to Major General.

Additional Note: from 1859 to May 1861 he was "carried on the books as a member of the 10th US Infantry" stationed at Fort Garland, Colorado Territory; the May 1861 Post Return of Fort Garland (the last time his name appears on a US Post Return) lists him as "resigned" - "resignation accepted as per General Order dated April 3, 1861".

Robert Ransom, Jr.



(1828 – 1892*)

Major General, Department of Richmond - CSA

Note: he was Captain of Company F, 1st Cavalry Regiment - USA, stationed at Fort Wise, Colorado territory (August 1860 to May 1861) prior to the start of the War and on May 25, 1861, he tendered his resignation (which was accepted in June 1861) and took a leave-of-absence; while on leave he offered his services to the CSA and on August 12, 1861, he was commissioned as the Colonel of the 9th North Carolina Volunteer Regiment (State Troops); on March 1, 1862, he was promoted to Brigadier General; and, on May 26, 1863, he was promoted to Major General.

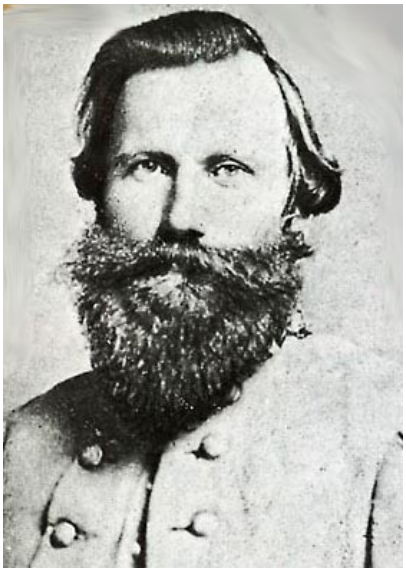
George Hume Steuart

(1828 – 1903*)

Brigadier General, Department of Richmond - CSA

Note: he was Captain of Company K, 1st Cavalry Regiment - USA, stationed at Fort Wise, Colorado Territory (December 1860 to April 1861) prior to the start of the War; on April 13, 1861, he resigned and returned to his home state of Maryland, whereupon he offered his services to the CSA and on June 17, 1861, he was commissioned as the Lt. Colonel of the 1st Maryland Infantry Regiment; and, on March 18, 1862, he was promoted to Brigadier General.

James Ewell Brown "JEB" Stuart

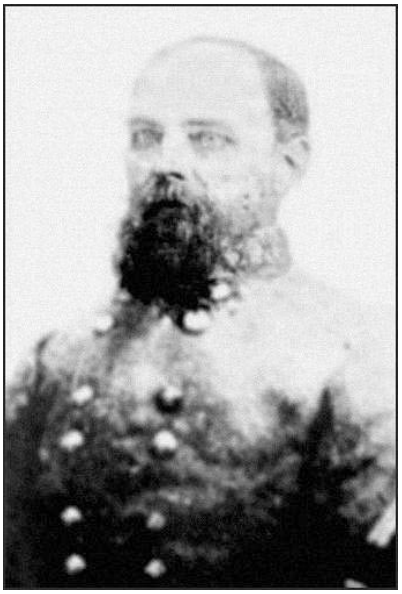


(1833 – 1864*)

Major General, Cavalry Corps – Army of Northern Virginia - CSA

Note: he was 1st Lieutenant of Company G, 1st Cavalry Regiment – USA, stationed at Fort Wise, Colorado Territory (December 1860 to April 1861) prior to the start of the War; on April 22, 1861 (while he was on a 60 day leave-of-absence) he was promoted to Captain, however, on May 3, 1861, he tendered his resignation (which was accepted on May 14, 1861) and he returned to his home state of Virginia, whereupon he offered his services to the CSA; on May 24, 1861, he was commissioned as a Captain in the Cavalry Corps-CSA; a few months later (on September 24, 1861) he was promoted to Brigadier General and less than a year later (on July 25, 1862) he was promoted to Major General; and, on May 12, 1864, he was KIA during the *Battle of Yellow Tavern*.

William Stephen Walker



(1822 – 1899*)

Brigadier General, 3rd District of South Carolina - CSA

Note: he was Captain of Company G, 1st Cavalry Regiment - USA, stationed at Fort Wise, Colorado Territory (December 1860 to February 1861) prior to the start of the War; while on a leave-of-absence he returned to his home state of Mississippi whereupon he offered his services to the CSA; on March 16, 1861, he was commissioned as a Captain of Infantry - CSA; on February 17, 1862 he was promoted to Colonel; and, on October 30, 1862, he was promoted to Brigadier General.