

## GEN. JENKINS' BRIGADE.

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ME SRS. EDITORS: Our last letter addressed to your columns was dated Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, June 30. By reason of detachments and details as scouts and couriers for the infantry, the command did not number more than five hundred effective men when it moved upon the capital of the Keystone State. Yet, with no infantry nearer than Carlisle (14 miles) we shelled their outpost, reviewed their fortifications, and harassed them for three days.

On the evening of the 30th ult., we marched back to Carlisle, where we rejoined the 14th Va. cavalry regiment. Thence all moved by two different roads Southward. Next day, about 2 o'clock P. M., we heard lively cannonading in our advance, which proved to be the opening of the great Gettysburg battle.

The enemy had advanced North of the town, in great force, and met our infantry column, where they fought on about equal grounds: he was driven back with heavy loss, and our army occupied the town that night and the two following days. The enemy occupied and fortified the heights South of Gettysburg, and our army fought them two days, in their strong position, to great disadvantage. It is supposed that the three days' fighting placed the two contending armies about equal in their losses.

Gen. Jenkins was wounded in his head while making a reconnoissance on the left, on the morning of the second day of the fight. He was standing, with map in hand, holding his horse by the bridle-reins, when a shell passed over his head, cutting a large gash to the bone, passing through his horse and killing him instantly. His wound is not regarded as dangerous. The command of the brigade then fell upon Col. Tennyson.

Before daylight, on the morning of the 4th inst., Gen. Lee had withdrawn his forces from before the enemy in his strong position, and occupied elevated grounds, leaving a valley between his lines and Gettysburg. In the meantime he started a large transport train back to Virginia. If the enemy should mistake this move for a retreat, he will likely make a push forward and see his error. W. K.