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From the Introduction. Col. John M. Harrell, of Hot Springs, Ark., has brought to the preparation of the war history of his State memories of four years' service in her defense, and the ripened intellectual powers of a life devoted to the profession of law, in which he yet maintains a high rank. As a staff officer with Generals Holmes and Breckinridge he had opportunities for gaining valuable information regarding the operations which he now describes. As colonel of cavalry, also, and as commander of Cabell's brigade in the latter part of the war, he took a conspicuous part in the campaigns in Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas and Indian Territory. The important military operations in that region, too often neglected in a view of the far-reaching war, are clearly and adequately presented in Colonel Harrell's work.

About the Author Colonel John M. Harrell, born in North Carolina in 1828, had come to Little Rock in 1849 and was practicing law at the outbreak of the War. He served in Virginia as volunteer aide to General Indicates a West Point graduate and gives his Class. Theophilus<sup>o</sup> Holmes and later was with General Breckinridge at Corinth in the same capacity. He was appointed adjutant-general of Monroe's Cavalry, fighting at Cane Hill and Prairie Grove. He then raised and commanded a battalion of cavalry with rank of lieutenant-colonel and brought General Indicates a West Point graduate and gives his Class. Cabell's brigade back from Price's Raid after Cabell was captured. After the war he held various legal offices and the rank of brigadier-general of state militia. He was a newspaper editor for the Hot Springs Telegraph in 1880. Following the death of his wife, he moved to Wisconsin.