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Heroism in the 154th Regiment

We publish elsewhere a list of the casualties in the 154th Regiment, Col. P. H. Jones commanding. Dr. Van Aernam, who kindly furnished us the list, gave us a thrilling account of the heroism of the men, particularly of their devotion to their colors, at the battle of Rocky Faced Ridge, Ga. George Bishop, of this village, where he leaves a wife and two or three children, was the regimental color bearer. He was ordered to plant the standard on the crest of a hill in view of the rebel entrenchments. He had scarcely done so, when a rebel sharp shooter sent a bullet through him, killing him instantly. Serg't Augustus Shippey, of Co. B, seeing the colors fall, scaled the ridge and replanted them. He had just accomplished this, when a rebel bullet killed him! Corp. T. R. Aldrich, of the same Co., then sprang forward and replanted the colors, standing unmoved among the whistling messengers of death, for some moments. But a rebel sharp shooter finally brought him down, and he died without a groan! Private Orzo C. Greeley-- a distant relative of Horace Greeley, of the Tribune-- then seized the colors, planting them firmly, holding the staff in his right hand. He occupied his position but a few moments, and fell dead at his post.---- Orderly Serg't Ambrose F. Arnold, of Co. D, then rushed forward, seized the flag and waved it in defiance at the enemy, and continued to do so until ordered away by his superior officer. Dr. Van Aernam says a hundred bullets whizzed by Serg't Arnold while he stood there, not one of which took effect. His four comrades lay within four feet of him, while daring and determination marked every feature of his countenance and action. This is heroism of the truest and purest character, and it is questionable which of these five braves-- four dead and one living-- displayed the most nobleness, daring and courage. It is easy, however, to decide which was the most fortunate. Is this incident of this terrible war paralleled anywhere? We think not. Clean Ad.