

Who Killed Cameron?—Near Manassas, August 16, 1861.—To the Editors of the Richmond Whig:
I have seen several answers to the above interrogatory, but none which, I think, gives a true version of the affair. With your permission, I will give you what came under my own observation. On our march from Manassas Junction to the battle ground on the morning of the fight, we were joined by an individual, who was known in Charleston Harbor by the name of "Texas," (he, I believe, hailing from that State,) who informed us that he had permission to volunteer during the battle, to fight where he pleased, and, seeing the Palmetto flag, he concluded to join us. During the heat of the battle, when the famous Seventy ninth of New York were driven back in some confusion, their Colonel, who had paused, as though contemplating the sad havoc of his regiment, was about three hundred yards in our front and between us and his retreating column. At this moment, "Texas" asked and obtained permission to advance in front and take a shot at the officer. Advancing some thirty or forty paces to a fence, he took deliberate aim with his rifle and fired, and the exclamation was made by several in the ranks, "He has brought him." On coming back to the line, I remarked— "Well, Texas, have you killed a Yankee?" His reply was, striking his rifle—"She never lies." Twice after that I saw him leave the ranks and advance in front to fire. There were many in the Legion, beside myself, who witnessed the above, and who have no doubt but that Cameron found his death from "Old Texas," formerly of the Columbia, S. C., Artillery. I have not seen him since the battle, but have heard that he was slightly wounded.

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Closing the Southern Ports.—I mentioned in a

Hampton's Legion on Death of Cameron



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