



SECOND CHARGE UPON THE CONFEDERATES, BY GENERAL FREMONT'S BODY-GUARD, UNDER MAJOR ZAGONYI, NEAR SPRINGFIELD, MO., ON OCTOBER 25, 1861.

Major Charles Zagonyi commanded Fremont's Body-Guard in the campaign against Springfield, in October, 1861. Under instructions from Fremont to disperse a camp of Missouri Home Guards, he led his battalion and a detachment of Irish Dragoons, under Captain Naughton, to the scene. The Confederates received him drawn up in line along the road where the pass was too narrow to form squadrons. Zagonyi boldly flanked the enemy's line of battle, seized the camp, and charged the line from the rear. This spirited action was made the subject of a poem, and is recalled as one of the heroic episodes of cavalry service in the far West.