



GORDON'S AND CRAWFORD'S BRIGADES DRIVING THE CONFEDERATE FORCES FROM THE WOODS, AT THE BATTLE OF CEDAR MOUNTAIN, AUGUST 9, 1862.

FROM A SKETCH BY EDWIN FORBES.

The battle of Slaughter's Mountain sketched on the preceding page was trivial in comparison with that which ensued later on the same day in the immediate vicinity at Cedar Mountain. Here the contest was between the same commanders as in the earlier engagement; but the fighting became severe, and indeed decisive. The hill called Cedar Mountain is two miles west of Mitchell's Station, in Culpepper county, Virginia. The Confederates, numbering more than twenty thousand, were in full force, under Stonewall Jackson. The Federals were not in force. One division of the Union army, numbering seven thousand five hundred, under command of Banks, had to oppose the overwhelming enemy, and keep him at bay. The hardest fighting was in the woods. The Confederates lost over thirteen hundred men, and the Union forces about fourteen hundred.