

GEN. TORBERT'S POLITICAL LEGACY.

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Soon after the nomination of Gen. Hancock it was announced in the Democratic papers that Gen. A. T. A. Torbert would support Gen. Hancock, from motives of personal friendship. This statement caused Augustus C. Lindsley, of Somerville, who was a private soldier in Torbert's brigade, to write to his old commander and learn the truth. The following is a copy of the reply he received:

MILFORD, Del., Aug. 17, 1880.

Mr. Augustus C. Lindsley:

DEAR SIR: On my return home yesterday from Colorado I found your kind letter of July 20. I am always glad to hear from one of the old First New-Jersey Brigade, and you talk to the point politically, just as the old brigade used to fight. I have known Gen. Hancock for 25 years and like him, but I can't stand the company, politically, that he is with. I hope no Republican of the old brigade will desert Garfield, for this fight is about as important as any we had between 1860 and 1865. I wish our friends in New-Jersey every success for the national and State ticket. Your friend and old comrade,

A. T. A. TORBERT.

This is an open letter to the survivors of the old First New-Jersey Brigade, and is probably the last political utterance of the gallant Torbert. It was written on the 17th of August. On the 23th he sailed for Havana, and three days afterward his body was found on the coast of Florida.

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