

## CW/VFM-87: General Henry Warner Slocum

Slocum was a native of New York who attended West Point and, prior to the Civil War, served in the Seminole War in Florida. At the battle of Bull Run, he was appointed colonel of the 27<sup>th</sup> New York Infantry. By Second Bull Run, he had been promoted to Major General; he was the youngest man to receive this rank. He also served at South Mountain (9/14/1862), Antietam (9/17/1862), Fredericksburg (12/11-15/1862), Chancellorsville (5/1-5/1863), and Gettysburg (7/1-3/1863) before his corps was transferred to the Western theater; under the command of Joseph Hooker. Later, he would receive command of the new twentieth corps and would be the first to enter Atlanta after it fell on September 2, 1864. His men were a key part in Sherman's March to the Sea. Later he would be promoted to commander of the Army of Georgia. After the war, he pursued a career in politics, becoming a member of the 41<sup>st</sup> and 42<sup>nd</sup> Congresses. Afterwards he resumed practicing law, and served as a town officer in Brooklyn, NY. He died on April 14, 1894.

## Letter from H.W. Slocum to Samuel A. Chrislie, Esq.

10/16/87: This letter simply states that Slocum has received a letter from Chrislie regarding a previously published article in *The Century*, and that the remainder of the article would be published in the November issue.

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