

Another member of the regiment gave this account of the operations of the Twenty-Fourth: "After standing under fire for about fifteen minutes, we received orders from Gen. Sheridan to move across the road, and pass to the left, where the rebels were making a desperate effort to out-flank the left of our division. Col. Larrabee immediately gave the order—'By the left flank, double quick, march!'—and away we went, crossing a road enfiladed by Rebel musketry; and, in less time than it takes to write, it, we were again formed into line, in front of a corn-field, which was perfectly alive with the enemy. We fired half a dozen rounds at them, and they skedaddled, leaving guns, knapsacks, clothing, and everything else behind they could not conveniently carry away. We followed them a short distance, and company "B" deployed as skirmishers through the corn-field, and had the honor of capturing five prisoners—Sergeant Alan-son taking three, and Corporal Rogers two. Col. Larrabee also captured one, who was hiding behind the fence. We were actively engaged about an hour, and exposed to a heavy fire the greater part of the time. Col. Larrabee gave his orders as coolly as on dress parade; and it was probably owing, in a great degree, to his coolness and nerve, that the regiment acquitted themselves so well."

In his official report of the part the Twenty-Fourth took in the battle, Col. Larrabee said: "I cannot commend too highly the conduct of both officers and men. They advanced, under fire of the enemy, and formed into position with the coolness and celerity of veterans." It was remarkable that so few casualties occurred—only one of the regiment killed, and three wounded; the ridge in their front, and being prostrate upon the ground, saved them in the earlier part of the engagement.

Brigade Commander Greusel thus spoke in his report of Col. Larrabee's regiment in the action: "The Twenty-Fourth Wisconsin went forward with cheers, and soon engaged the enemy's right, pouring in, and keeping up a cross-fire on their brigade, which made sad havoc among them. This wing was the first to break, the regiment following it to the left on the road until out of range when, after thus gallantly distinguishing themselves, they