2.  I just viewed Stu Dempsey's final 11th Corps postings.  I would like to
also add in my Intro right above "Click here to reveal his email address."
the following: "In addition to tours at the Gettysburg National Military
Park, John also presents President Lincoln and the immortal Gettysburg
Address, specifically in the context not only of the battle, but the
enormous personal, political and policy pressures affecting the President
when he prepared and how he presented it. He has spoken to Civil War
Roundtables, Historical Societies, Rotaries and other church/civic/private
clubs in PA, MD, CA and is scheduled to present in IL during 2013."

1. ***FIRST GREEN FLAG, 28TH MASSACHUSETTS; The*** 69th, 88th and 63rd NYVI as well as the 28th Mass VI all carried the similar “First” Green Flag. The only difference among those flags was the number on the left side of the upper red riband. The 28th Mass’ Flag at Gettysburg would correctly read “4th REGT IRISH BRIGADE”. The lower red riband on all 4 flags, when translated says; “Who never retreated from the clash of spears”. [*Painting of The First Green Flag of the 28th Mass, courtesy of Erik Chipchase, echipchase@mercenarygraphics.com;*].
2. “The first green flag of the 28th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry [courtesy of Erik Chipchase, echipchase@mercenarygraphics.com], added to the Irish Brigade after the battle of Antietam/Sharpsburg was the only green flag carried by the entire Brigade at Fredericksburg, December 13, 1863 [see Part 8, Don Troiani’s *Clear the Way*].  It was the only first green flag carried in the Irish Brigade’s fight at Gettysburg on July 2, 1863 [See Part 5, Dale Gallon’s *Pride of Erin*].  There was only one small difference among the four-- first green flags.  On the left side of the upper red riband, each Regiment was numerically designated, i.e., 1st REGT IRISH BRIGADE is the 69th NY, the 2nd REGT IRISH BRIGADE is the 88th NY, the 3rd REGT IRISH BRIGADE is the 63rd NY and the 4th REGT IRISH BRIGADE is the 28th Mass.  All the other features, the cloud, sun’s rays, Harp and Shamrocks to represent Ireland as well as the saying, in old Irish on the lower red riband, translated as ‘They never retreated before the clash of spears’, were the same on each of the four—first green flags.  The 116th PA, made up of Americans of German and Irish heritage chose to carry the normal dark blue Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Regimental Flag.”
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