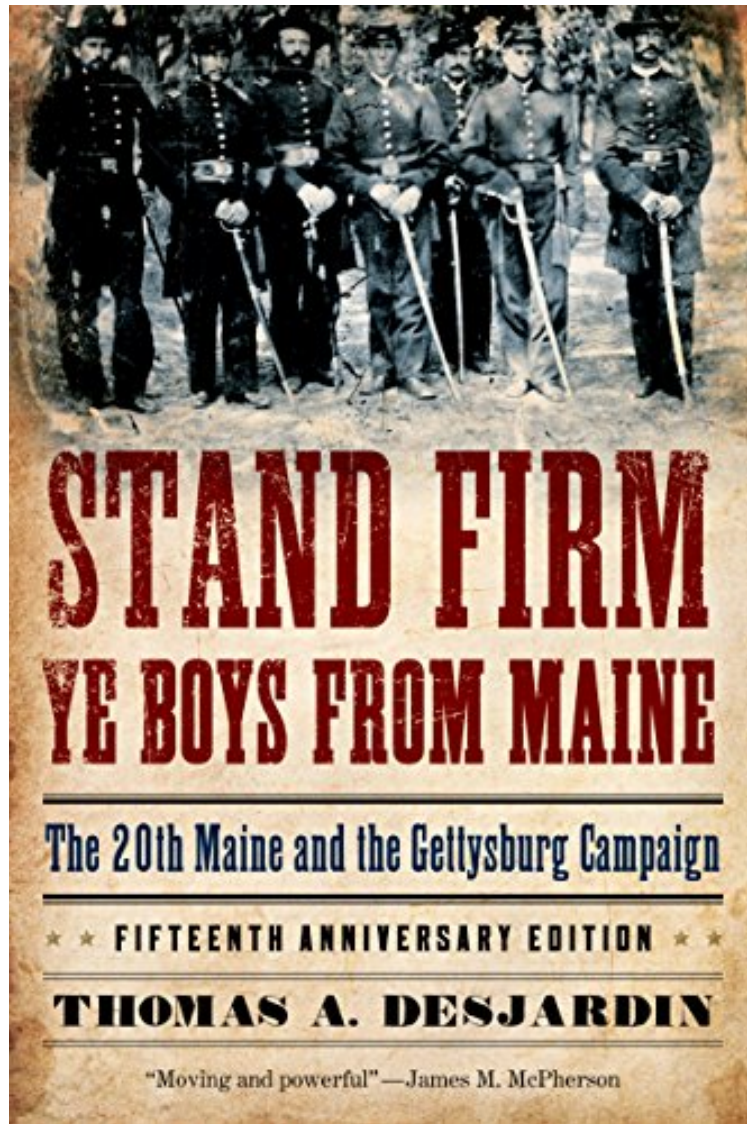


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Angels? This is the perfect companion! On the one hand, it is really well written - I could not put it down and had it finished within two days (it is not very long). On the other hand it is very informative. It not only covers the battle in great detail, but also tells us a lot about what happened to the soldiers (from both sides) after the war. As a bonus, it has a roster of all the 20th Maine soldiers having fought on the Little Round Top, and a list of their casualties, and their opponents', the 15th and 47th Alabama. Surprise: Sergeant "Buster" Kilrain apparently did not fight there!

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