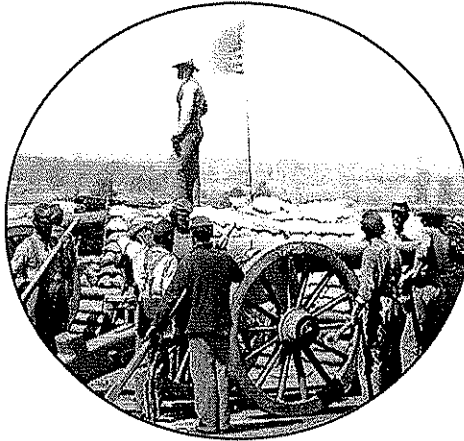


CIVIL WAR
VOLUNTEER SONS
OF CONNECTICUT
BLAIKIE HINES



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CANTON

THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 2,373 (RANK 59)

THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY
OF THE CIVIL WAR

APRIL 20, 1864

PLYMOUTH, NC

THE CONFEDERATE PLAN
TO TAKE PLYMOUTH
ENDED WHEN 2,800 UNION
TROOPS SURRENDERED
THE CITY

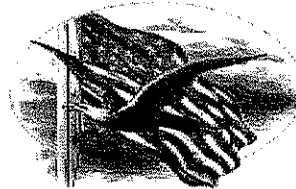
More soldiers credited to Canton were listed as casualties (18) on this day than on any other day of the war. Sixteen soldiers were captured, and 2 were wounded & captured in the 16TH Connecticut. Six eventually died in prison.

The date April 20, 1864 ranks 6TH for total casualties (433) (1 killed, 2 missing, 12 wounded & captured, 418 captured) for a single day for the State of Connecticut. All of the casualties were at Plymouth, NC.

The Battle of Plymouth (April 20, 1864 ranks 9TH for total casualties (433) for an engagement for the State of Connecticut. Nearly half of all soldiers captured at Plymouth died in Southern prisons

The Battle of Plymouth with 18 total casualties for Canton was the highest number of casualties for any single engagement of the war for the town.

When Confederate General Robert Hoke surrounded and captured the Union garrison at Plymouth, NC the Southern victory was the first in this military arena in quite some time. With aid from the two-gun ironclad *Albemarle* the Confederates were able to take advantage of the lack of suitable Union gunboats.



244 MEN CREDITED TO
CANTON SERVED IN THE
FOLLOWING
CONNECTICUT
ORGANIZATIONS

<u>REGIMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
16 TH	41 (17%)
1 ST HEAVY ARTILLERY	33 (13%)
25 TH	27 (11%)
12 TH	25 (10%)
22 ND	24 (10%)
2 ND	22 (9%)
7 TH	19 (8%)
8 TH	15 (6%)
1 ST SQUADRON CAVALRY	9 (4%)
29 TH	9 (4%)
12 TH BATTALION	8 (3%)
2 ND HEAVY ARTILLERY	7 (3%)
14 TH	6 (2%)
30 TH	4 (2%)
15 TH	3 (1%)
1 ST CAVALRY	2
6 TH	2
10 TH	2
11 TH	2
13 TH	2
1 ST LIGHT BATTERY	1
3 RD	1
13 TH BATTALION	1
17 TH	1
20 TH	1

10% OF POPULATION

TWELVE WERE KILLED

The first Canton soldier killed was Private William A. German of Company B, 1ST Squadron Cavalry. He was killed in a Virginia railroad accident on September 8, 1861.

CANTON SOLDIERS KILLED

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Railroad Accident, VA (1 SQ)	9/8/61	1
Rappahannock Sta., VA (1 SQ)	8/20/62	1
Gainesville, VA (1 SQ)	8/29/62	1
Antietam, MD (8 TH , 16 TH)	9/17/62	3
Port Hudson, LA (25 TH)	2/15/63	1
Wilderness, VA (14 TH)	5/6/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (11 TH)	5/16/64	1
Cold Harbor, VA (2 HA)	6/1/64	1
Bermuda Hundred, VA (1 HA)	6/9/64	1
Petersburg, VA (30 TH)	8/6/64	1

TWENTY-FIVE WERE CAPTURED

Nine Canton soldiers died in captivity. Four soldiers died at Andersonville Prison, GA, one at Plymouth, NC, one at Florence, SC, one at Charleston, SC, one at Libby Prison, Richmond, VA and one at an unknown place.

**CANTON CAPTURED
*(9) DIED IN CAPTIVITY**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
James Island, SC (7 TH) *	6/16/62	1
Brashear City, LA (12 TH)	6/23/63	1
Plymouth, NC (16 TH) *6 (2 WOUNDED)	4/20/64	18
Ream's Station, VA (1 SQ) *	6/30/64	1
Cedar Creek, VA (12 TH)	10/19/64	1
Kinston, NC (15 TH)	3/8/65	2
Virginia (1 SQ) *	Unknown	1

TOTAL CANTON CASUALTIES

DIED	28	11%
KILLED	12	5%
WOUNDED	26	11%
CAPTURED	25	10%
DESERTED	28	11%

TWENTY-SIX WERE WOUNDED

The first Canton soldier wounded was Private Thomas Sessions of Company B, 1ST Squadron Cavalry. He was wounded at Rappahannock Station, VA on August 20, 1862 and recovered from his wound. Six Canton soldiers died from wounds received during the war.

**CANTON WOUNDED
*(6) DIED FROM WOUNDS**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Bull Run, VA (2 ND)	7/21/61	1
Unknown (8 TH)	3/14/62	1
Aquia Creek, VA (8 TH)	8/31/62	1
Antietam, MD (16 TH) *	9/17/62	5
Irish Bend, LA (25 TH)	4/14/63	3
Bethel Place, LA (12 TH) *	4/14/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (12 TH)	5/27/63	2
Port Hudson, LA (25 TH)	6/14/63	1
Aldie, VA (1 SQ) *	6/17/63	1
Sailor's Creek, GA (1 SQ)	9/1/63	1
Walthall Junction, VA (8 TH)	5/7/64	1
Spottsylvania, VA (14 TH)	5/12/64	1
Cold Harbor, VA (2 HA)	6/1/64	1
Petersburg, VA (1 HA) *	8/16/64	1
Fort Harrison, VA (8 TH)	9/29/64	2
Cedar Creek, VA (12 TH) *	10/19/64	1
Battery Morton, VA (1 HA) *10/24/64		1
Chinquepin, NC (7 TH)	4/1/65	1

