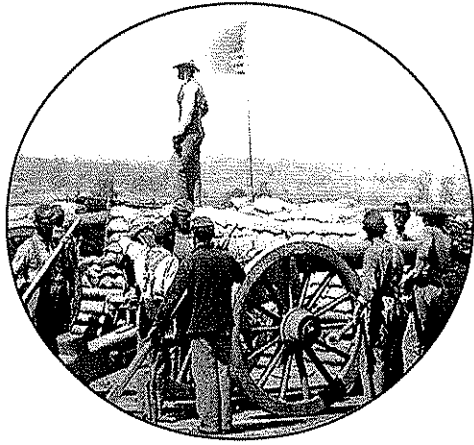


**CIVIL WAR**  
**VOLUNTEER SONS**  
**OF CONNECTICUT**  
**BLAIKIE HINES**



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## LITCHFIELD

THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 3,200 (RANK 39)

### THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY OF THE CIVIL WAR

## JUNE 1, 1864

COLD HARBOR, VA

THE BATTLE WAS LEE'S  
LAST GREAT VICTORY

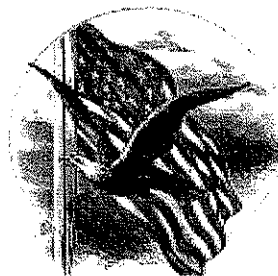
More soldiers credited to Litchfield were listed as casualties (27) on this day than on any other day of the war. Nine soldiers were killed and 18 were wounded in the 2<sup>ND</sup> Connecticut Heavy Artillery. Five of the wounded died.

The date June 1, 1864 ranks 8<sup>TH</sup> for total casualties (374) (89 killed, 10 missing, 246 wounded, 23 captured, 6 wounded & captured)) for a single day for the State of Connecticut. There were 324 casualties at Cold Harbor, 41 casualties at Ashland, and 9 casualties scattered about Virginia.

The battle and operations around Cold Harbor (May 31-June 12, 1864) rank 6<sup>TH</sup> for total casualties (557) for an engagement for the State of Connecticut. The most intense fighting developed on June 3 and Litchfield had one wounded on that day.

The Battle of Cold Harbor with 28 total casualties for Litchfield was the highest number of casualties for any single engagement of the war for the town.

Approximately 117,000 Federal and 60,000 Confederate troops participated in operations from May 28 to June 3. Roughly 13,000 Union casualties were recorded and perhaps there were 5,000 Confederate casualties.



### 294 MEN CREDITED TO LITCHFIELD SERVED IN THE FOLLOWING CONNECTICUT ORGANIZATIONS

<u>REGIMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2 <sup>ND</sup> HEAVY ARTILLERY	110 (37%)
13 <sup>TH</sup>	46 (16%)
8 <sup>TH</sup>	38 (13%)
1 <sup>ST</sup> CAVALRY	17 (6%)
14 <sup>TH</sup>	17 (6%)
1 <sup>ST</sup> HEAVY ARTILLERY	16 (5%)
13 <sup>TH</sup> BATTALION	16 (5%)
5 <sup>TH</sup>	11 (4%)
10 <sup>TH</sup>	11 (4%)
23 <sup>RD</sup>	9 (3%)
29 <sup>TH</sup>	7 (2%)
9 <sup>TH</sup>	4 (1%)
11 <sup>TH</sup>	4 (1%)
6 <sup>TH</sup>	3 (1%)
2 <sup>ND</sup> LIGHT BATTERY	2 (1%)
17 <sup>TH</sup>	2 (1%)
3 <sup>RD</sup>	1
3 <sup>RD</sup> LIGHT BATTERY	1
15 <sup>TH</sup>	1
16 <sup>TH</sup>	1
20 <sup>TH</sup>	1
24 <sup>TH</sup>	1
25 <sup>TH</sup>	1
27 <sup>TH</sup>	1

7% OF POPULATION

**NINETEEN WERE KILLED**

The first Litchfield soldier killed was Private Enos Thompkins of Company A, 1<sup>ST</sup> Connecticut Cavalry. He was struck by lightning at Sperryville, VA on July 16, 1862.

**LITCHFIELD SOLDIERS KILLED**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Sperryville, VA (1 CA)	7/16/62	1
Antietam, MD (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	9/17/62	2
Unknown (13 <sup>TH</sup> )	11/7/62	1
Chancellorsville, VA (20 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/3/63	1
Fort Darling, VA (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/16/64	1
North Anna River, VA (14 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/24/64	1
Cold Harbor, VA (2 HA)	6/1/64	9
Petersburg, VA (14 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/16/64	1
Fort Harrison, VA (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	9/29/64	1
Petersburg, VA (2 HA)	3/25/65	1

**THIRTEEN WERE CAPTURED**

Five Litchfield soldiers died in captivity. Three died at Andersonville Prison, GA, one at Belle Isle Prison, VA, and one at Libby Prison, Richmond, VA.

**LITCHFIELD CAPTURED  
\*(5) DIED IN CAPTIVITY**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Front Royal, VA (5 <sup>TH</sup> ) *	5/23/62	1
Unknown (2HA) *	Unknown	1
Cedar Mountain, VA (5 <sup>TH</sup> ) (WOUNDED)	8/9/62	1
Dumfries, VA (17 <sup>TH</sup> )	12/9/62	1
Upperville, VA (1 CA) *	10/13/63	1
Bristoe Station, VA (14 <sup>TH</sup> )	10/14/63	1
Craig's Church, VA (1 CA)	5/5/64	1
Mine Run, VA (1 CA) *	5/5/64	1
Winchester, VA (14 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/6/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (11 <sup>TH</sup> ) * (WOUNDED)	5/16/64	1
Welaka, FL (17 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/19/64	1
Winchester, VA (13 <sup>TH</sup> )	9/19/64	1
Kinston, NC (15 <sup>TH</sup> )	3/8/65	1

**TOTAL LITCHFIELD CASUALTIES**

<b>DIED</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>KILLED</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>WOUNDED</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>18%</b>
<b>CAPTURED</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>DESERTED</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>13%</b>

**FIFTY-TWO WERE WOUNDED**

Sergeant Edgar A. Alvord and Private Henry G. West of Companies D and E, 5<sup>TH</sup> Connecticut were the first Litchfield soldiers wounded. Both were wounded at Cedar Mountain, VA on August 9, 1862 and recovered from their wounds. Twelve Litchfield soldiers died from a wound received during the war.

**LITCHFIELD WOUNDED  
\*(12) DIED FROM WOUNDS**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Cedar Mountain, VA (5 <sup>TH</sup> )	8/9/62	1
New Orleans, LA (13 <sup>TH</sup> ) *	9/1/62	1
Antietam, MD (8 <sup>TH</sup> ) *2	9/17/62	3
Cedar Creek, VA (2 HA) *	4/8/64	1
Cane River, LA (13 <sup>TH</sup> )	4/23/64	3
Walthall Junction, VA (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/7/64	2
Resaca, GA (5 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/15/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/16/64	1
Cold Harbor, VA (2 HA) *5	6/1/64	18
Petersburg, VA (2 HA) *	6/22/64	1
Cold Harbor, VA (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/3/64	1
Ream's Station, VA (1 CA)	6/27/64	1
Winchester, VA (2HA, 13 <sup>TH</sup> ) *	9/19/64	8
Chaffin's Farm, VA (29 <sup>TH</sup> )	9/30/64	1
Chaffin's Farm, VA (29 <sup>TH</sup> )	10/2/64	1
Cedar Creek, VA (2 HA) *	10/19/64	1
Hatcher's Run, VA (2 HA)	2/6/65	1
Petersburg, VA (2 HA)	3/5/65	1
Petersburg, VA (2 HA)	3/25/65	2
Hatcher's Run, VA (10 <sup>TH</sup> )	4/1/65	1
Richmond, VA (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	4/1/65	1
Fort Gregg, VA (10 <sup>TH</sup> )	4/2/65	1