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NEW BRITAIN

THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 1,865 (RANK 79)

**THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY
OF THE CIVIL WAR**

MAY 3, 1863

CHANCELLORSVILLE, VA

**THE THIRD DAY OF THE
BATTLE**

More soldiers credited to New Britain were listed as casualties (13) on this day than on any other day of the war. Two soldiers were killed, 5 were wounded and 6 were captured in the 5TH, 14TH and 20TH Connecticut. One of the wounded died.

The date May 3, 1863 ranks 3RD for total casualties (577) (36 killed, 1 missing, 138 wounded, 372 captured, 29 wounded & captured) for a single day for the State of Connecticut. The most casualties were at Chancellorsville, VA (556). The other casualties were at Providence Church Road, VA (12), Suffolk, VA (6), Port Hudson, LA (2) and Fredericksburg, VA (1).

The Battle of Chancellorsville (May 1-3, 1863) ranks 2ND for total casualties (677) for an engagement for the State of Connecticut. The most intense fighting developed on May 3. New Britain also had one casualty on May 2.

The Battle of Chancellorsville with 14 total casualties for New Britain was the highest number of casualties for any single engagement of the war for the town.

The Battle of Chancellorsville was an enormous defeat for the more than 70,000 Union soldiers who had moved against the flank and rear of 40,000 Confederate soldiers. Unfortunately, the Union Army had pulled back and had gone on the defensive around Chancellorsville. The Confederate victory was tainted however, by the loss of Confederate Major General "Stonewall" Jackson.

483 MEN CREDITED TO
NEW BRITAIN SERVED IN THE
FOLLOWING
CONNECTICUT
ORGANIZATIONS

<u>REGIMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
6 TH	83 (17%)
14 TH	76 (16%)
13 TH	71 (15%)
1 ST	59 (12%)
20 TH	46 (10%)
1 ST HEAVY ARTILLERY	36 (7%)
7 TH	33 (7%)
13 TH BATTALION	25 (5%)
5 TH	14 (3%)
8 TH	11 (2%)
1 ST SQUAD CAVALRY	11 (2%)
29 TH	10 (2%)
1 ST CAVALRY	10 (2%)
16 TH	9 (2%)
2 ND HEAVY ARTILLERY	7 (1%)
9 TH	7 (1%)
10 TH	6 (1%)
11 TH	6 (1%)
12 TH	6 (1%)
22 ND	6 (1%)
2 ND	5 (1%)
1 ST LIGHT BATTERY	3 (1%)
9 TH BATTALION	3 (1%)
15 TH	3 (1%)
12 TH BATTALION	2
2 ND LIGHT BATTERY	1
3 RD LIGHT BATTERY	1
17 TH	1
18 TH	1
21 ST	1
24 TH	1
25 TH	1
30 TH	1
9% OF POPULATION	

SIXTEEN WERE KILLED

The first New Britain soldier killed was Private Patrick McCluskey of Company C, 5TH Connecticut. He killed on August 9, 1862 at Cedar Mountain, VA.

NEW BRITAIN SOLDIERS KILLED

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Cedar Mountain, VA (16 TH)	8/9/62	1
Antietam, MD (14,16 TH)	9/17/62	4
Fredericksburg, VA (14 TH)	12/13/62	1
Irish Bend, LA (13 TH)	4/14/63	2
Chancellorsville, VA (20 TH)	5/3/63	2
Fort Wagner, SC (7 TH)	7/11/63	1
James Island (7 TH)	8/22/63	1
Bristoe Station, VA (14 TH)	10/14/63	1
Spottsylvania, VA (14 TH)	5/12/64	1
Bentonville, NC (20 TH)	3/19/65	1
Wilmington, NC (Drowned) (7 TH)	5/2/65	1

THIRTY-EIGHT WERE CAPTURED

Nine New Britain soldiers died in captivity. Five died at Andersonville Prison, GA, two at Libby Prison Richmond, VA, one at Salisbury Prison, NC and one at Millen Prison, GA.

NEW BRITAIN CAPTURED

***(9) DIED IN CAPTIVITY**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Wreck "Union", NC (7 TH)	11/4/61	1
Winchester, VA (5 TH)	5/25/62	1
Cross Keys, VA (1 CA)	6/8/62	1
James Island, SC (7 TH)	6/16/62	1
Cold Harbor, VA (1 HA)	6/27/62	1
Cedar Mountain, VA (5 TH)	8/9/62	1
Beal's Station, VA (5 TH)	8/20/62	1
Snicker's Gap, VA (14 TH)	10/27/62	1
Bayou La Fourche, LA (13 TH)	10/27/62	1
Chancellorsville, VA (5 TH)	5/2/63	1
Chancellorsville, VA (5,14,20 TH)	5/3/63	6
Fort Wagner, SC (7 TH) *	7/11/63	2
Fort Wagner, SC (7 TH) *	7/18/63	1
Mine Run, VA (14 TH) *	12/1/63	1
Morton's Ford, VA (14 TH) *	2/6/64	1
(WOUNDED)		
Plymouth, NC (16 TH) *	4/20/64	3
Ellis Ford, VA (14 TH)	5/8/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (6,7 TH) *2	5/16/64	4
Ackworth, GA (20 TH) *	7/2/64	1
Deep Run, VA (6 TH)	8/16/64	1
Ream's Station, VA (14 TH) *	8/25/64	1
Cedar Creek, VA (12 TH)	10/19/64	1
Winchester, VA (13 TH)	9/19/64	1
Kinston, NC (15 TH)	3/8/65	3
Ashland, VA (1 CA)	3/15/65	1

TOTAL NEW BRITAIN CASUALTIES

DIED	55	11%
KILLED	16	3%
WOUNDED	95	19%
CAPTURED	38	8%
DESERTED	35	7%

NINETY-FIVE WERE WOUNDED

The first New Britain soldier wounded was Private John Barker of Rifle Company D, 2ND Connecticut. He was wounded at Falls Church, VA on July 5, 1861 and recovered from his wound. Fourteen New Britain soldiers died from a wound received during the war.

NEW BRITAIN WOUNDED

***(14) DIED FROM WOUNDS**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Falls Church, VA (2 ND)	7/5/61	1
Unknown (14 TH)	Unknown	1
Germantown, VA (1 ST)	7/17/61	1
Bull Run, VA (1 ST)	7/21/61	1
Boync Island, NC (7 TH)	11/3/61	1
New Haven, CT (12 TH)	3/11/62	1
Cedar Mountain, VA (5 TH)	8/9/62	1
Antietam, MD (14 TH)	9/17/62	5
Pocotaligo, SC (6 TH)	10/22/62	3
Terre Bonne Station, LA (13 TH)	11/7/62	1
Fredericksburg, VA (14 TH) *1	12/13/62	8
Fairfax, VA (20 TH)	1/4/63	1
Dumfries, VA (20 TH)	1/21/63	1
Irish Bend, VA (13 TH) *2	4/14/63	3
Chancellorsville, VA (14,20 TH) *	5/3/63	5
Unknown, (20 TH)	6/13/63	1
Gettysburg, PA (5 TH)	7/2/63	1
Gettysburg, PA (14,20 TH)	7/3/63	7
Morris Island, SC (6 TH)	7/10/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (12 TH)	7/13/63	1
Fort Wagner, SC ((6 TH) *	7/18/63	9
Bristoe Station, VA (14 TH)	10/14/63	1
Morton's Ford, VA (14 TH) *1	2/6/64	2
Wilderness, VA (14 TH)	5/6/64	1
Walthall Junction, VA (8 TH)	5/7/64	1
Chester Station, VA (14 TH)	5/12/64	1
Spottsylvania, VA (14 TH) *	5/12/64	2
Drewry's Bluff, VA (6,7,11 TH) *1	5/16/64	5
Drewry's Bluff, VA (8 TH)	5/17/64	1
Bermuda Hundred, VA (6 TH)	5/20/64	2
Dallas, GA (5 TH) *	5/25/64	1
Petersburg, VA (11 TH)	6/18/64	1
Peach Tree Creek, GA (20 TH) *	7/20/64	2
Deep Run, VA (6 TH) *	8/16/64	4
Ream's Station, VA (14 TH)	8/25/64	1
Petersburg, VA (6 TH)	8/26/64	1
James River, VA (1 HA)	8/29/64	1
Petersburg, VA (29 TH) *	8/29/64	1
Winchester, VA (2 HA)	9/19/64	1
Fort Harrison, VA (8 TH)	9/29/64	1
Petersburg, VA (1 HA) *	9/29/64	1
Chaffin's Farm, VA (8 TH)	10/3/64	1
Cedar Creek, VA (2 HA,13 TH) *	10/19/64	2
Fort Fisher, NC (7 TH)	1/20/65	1
Averysboro, NC (20 TH)	3/16/65	1
Bentonville, NC (20 TH)	3/19/65	1
Fort George, VA (10 TH)	4/2/65	2
Farmville, VA (14 TH)	4/6/65	1
Fayetteville, NC (20 TH)	3/14/65	1