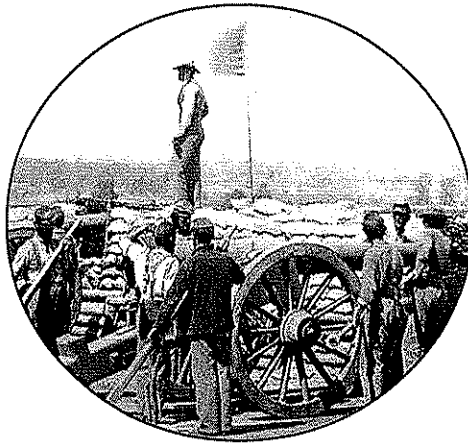


CIVIL WAR

**VOLUNTEER SONS
OF CONNECTICUT**

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PRESTON

THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 2,092 (RANK 73)

THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY
OF THE CIVIL WAR

JUNE 15 1863

WINCHESTER, VA

THE ENTIRE UNION ARMY
WAS NEARLY CAPTURED AT
THE SECOND
BATTLE OF WINCHESTER

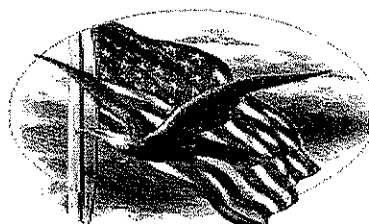
More soldiers credited to Preston were listed as casualties (16) on this day than on any other day of the war. Sixteen soldiers in the 18TH Connecticut were captured. All survived the war.

The date June 15, 1863 ranks 2ND for total casualties (595) (23 killed, 11 wounded, 520 captured, 41 wounded & captured) for a single day for the State of Connecticut. There were 592 casualties at Winchester, VA and 3 casualties at Port Hudson, LA.

The Second Battle of Winchester (June 13-15, 1863) ranks 5TH for total casualties (592) for an engagement for the State of Connecticut. The most intense fighting developed on June 15. Preston had all its casualties on that day.

The Second Battle of Winchester with 16 total casualties for Preston was the highest number of casualties for any single engagement of the war for the town.

Winchester was one of the most contested locations in the Civil War. It changed hands seventy-two times.



146 MEN CREDITED TO
PRESTON SERVED
IN THE FOLLOWING
CONNECTICUT
ORGANIZATIONS

<u>REGIMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
26 TH	35 (24%)
18 TH	30 (21%)
29 TH	22 (15%)
1 ST CAVALRY	10 (7%)
14 TH	10 (7%)
12 TH	8 (5%)
2 ND	7 (5%)
30 TH	6 (4%)
7 TH	5 (3%)
2 ND HEAVY ARTILLERY	5 (3%)
1 ST HEAVY ARTILLERY	4 (3%)
10 TH	4 (3%)
15 TH	2 (1%)
8 TH	2 (1%)
5 TH	2 (1%)
6 TH	2 (1%)
21 ST	2 (1%)
12 TH BATTALION	2 (1%)
1 ST	1
3 RD	1
11 TH	1
16 TH	1

7% OF POPULATION

TWO WERE KILLED

The first Preston soldier killed was Private Frederick Smith of Company E, 14TH Connecticut. He was killed at Bristoe Station, VA on October 14, 1863.

PRESTON SOLDIERS KILLED

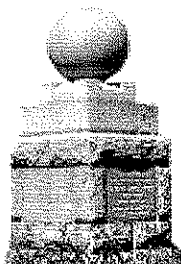
<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Bristoe Station, VA (14 TH)	10/14/63	1
Ashland, VA (1 CA)	6/1/64	1

TWENTY-SIX WERE CAPTURED

One Preston soldier died in captivity at Salisbury, NC.

**PRESTON CAPTURED
*(1) DIED IN CAPTIVITY**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Cross Keys, VA (1 CA)	6/8/2	1
Cedar Mountain, VA (5 TH)	8/9/62	1
Winchester, VA (18 TH)	6/15/63	16
(WOUNDED)		
Waterford, VA (1 CA)	8/7/63	1
Craig's Church, VA (1 CA)	5/5/64	1
Piedmont, VA (18 TH)	6/5/64	3
(3 WOUNDED)		
Lynchburg, VA (18 TH)	6/18/64	1
(WOUNDED)		
Cedar Creek, VA (12 TH) *	10/19/64	2

**TOTAL PRESTON CASUALTIES**

DIED	19	12%
KILLED	2	1%
WOUNDED	28	19%
CAPTURED	26	18%
DESERTED	11	7%

**TWENTY-EIGHT WERE WOUNDED**

The first Preston soldier wounded was 1ST Sergeant Horace Gore of Company C, 1ST Connecticut Cavalry. He was wounded at McDowell, VA on May 8, 1862 and recovered from his wound. Four Preston soldiers died from a wound received during the war.

**PRESTON WOUNDED
*(4) DIED FROM WOUNDS**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
McDowell, VA (1 CA)	5/8/62	1
2 ND Bull Run, VA (1 CA)	8/30/62	1
Antietam, MD (8 TH) *1	9/17/62	2
Camp Parapet, LA (26 TH)	2/22/63	1
Bisland, LA (12 TH)	4/13/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (26 TH) *2	5/27/63	8
Virginia (18 TH)	6/12/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (26 TH)	6/14/63	4
Spottsylvania, VA (14 TH)	5/12/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (7 TH) *	5/15/64	1
New Market, VA (18 TH)	5/15/64	1
Cold Harbor, VA (8 TH)	6/3/64	1
Piedmont, VA (18 TH)	6/5/64	1
Snicker's Ford, VA (18 TH)	7/18/64	1
Petersburg, VA (30 TH) *	7/30/64	1
Winchester, VA (12 TH)	9/19/64	1
Fort Gregg, VA (10 TH)	4/2/65	1