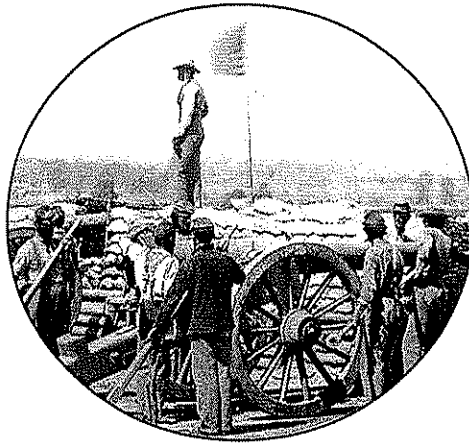


**CIVIL WAR**  
**VOLUNTEER SONS**  
**OF CONNECTICUT**  
**BLAIKIE HINES**



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## REDDING

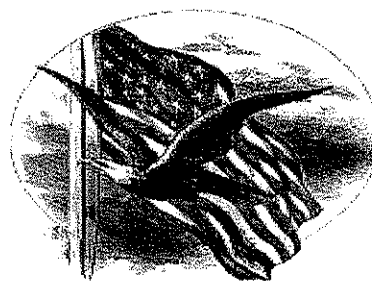
THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 1,652 (RANK 91)

THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY  
OF THE CIVIL WAR

**MAY 16, 1864**

DREWRY'S BLUFF, VA

AN OBSTACLE ON THE WAY  
TO RICHMOND



More soldiers credited to Redding were listed as casualties (4) on this day than on any other day of the war. One soldier was killed, 1 was wounded & captured, and 2 were captured in the 7<sup>TH</sup> and 8<sup>TH</sup> Connecticut. The captured survived the war.

The date May 16, 1864 ranks 4<sup>th</sup> for total casualties (560) (52 killed, 3 missing, 224 wounded, 243 captured, 38 wounded & captured) for a single day for the State of Connecticut. The Battle of Drewry's Bluff accounted for 545 casualties. There were 15 other casualties scattered about Virginia.

The Battle of Drewry's Bluff (May 13-17, 1864), also called Fort Darling, ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> for total casualties (634) for an engagement for the State of Connecticut. The most intense fighting developed on May 16. Redding had all of its casualties on that day.

The Battle of Drewry's Bluff with 4 total casualties for Redding was the highest number of casualties for any single engagement of the war for the town.

The Confederate attack at Drewry's Bluff forced the Union Army to retreat to Bermuda Hundred. The civil war would have concluded sooner had the Union Army been victorious.

147 MEN CREDITED TO  
REDDING SERVED  
IN THE FOLLOWING  
CONNECTICUT  
ORGANIZATIONS

<u>REGIMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
23 <sup>RD</sup>	48 (33%)
7 <sup>TH</sup>	16 (11%)
17 <sup>TH</sup>	16 (11%)
10 <sup>TH</sup>	11 (8%)
1 <sup>ST</sup> HEAVY ARTILLERY	10 (7%)
8 <sup>TH</sup>	9 (6%)
29 <sup>TH</sup>	8 (5%)
5 <sup>TH</sup>	7 (5%)
2 <sup>ND</sup> HEAVY ARTILLERY	6 (3%)
11 <sup>TH</sup>	6 (4%)
6 <sup>TH</sup>	3 (2%)
2 <sup>ND</sup> LIGHT BATTERY	3 (2%)
1 <sup>ST</sup> CAVALRY	2 (1%)
3 <sup>RD</sup>	2 (1%)
9 <sup>TH</sup>	2 (1%)
12 <sup>TH</sup>	1
13 <sup>TH</sup>	1
14 <sup>TH</sup>	1
20 <sup>TH</sup>	1
30 <sup>TH</sup>	1

9% OF POPULATION

**TWO WERE KILLED**

The first Redding soldier killed was Private Jerome Dupoy of Company D, 7<sup>TH</sup> Connecticut. He was killed on February 20, 1864 at Olustee, FL.

**REDDING SOLDIERS KILLED**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Olustee, FL (7 <sup>TH</sup> )	2/20/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (7 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/16/64	1

**ELEVEN WERE CAPTURED**

No Redding soldier died in captivity.

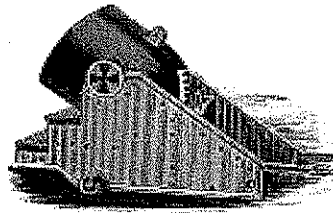
**REDDING CAPTURED  
NONE DIED IN CAPTIVITY**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Winchester, VA (5 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/25/62	1
Cedar Mountain, VA (5 <sup>TH</sup> )	8/9/62	2
Gettysburg, PA (17 <sup>TH</sup> )	7/1/63	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (7, 8 <sup>TH</sup> ) (1 WOUNDED)	5/16/64	3
Spottsylvania, VA (14 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/18/64	1
Petersburg, VA (11 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/18/64	1
Dunn's Lake, FL (17 <sup>TH</sup> )	2/5/65	2



**TOTAL REDDING  
CASUALTIES**

<b>DIED</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>KILLED</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>WOUNDED</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>CAPTURED</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>DESERTED</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>16%</b>



**FOURTEEN WERE  
WOUNDED**

The first Redding soldier wounded was Private Charles O. Morgan of Company A, 11<sup>TH</sup> Connecticut. He was wounded on April 23, 1863 at Suffolk, VA and recovered from his wound. One Redding soldier died from a wound received during the war.

**REDDING WOUNDED  
\*(1) DIED FROM WOUNDS**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Suffolk, VA (11 <sup>TH</sup> )	4/24/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (12 <sup>TH</sup> ) *	6/10/63	1
La Fourche, LA (23 <sup>RD</sup> )	6/20/63	1
Gettysburg, PA (17 <sup>TH</sup> )	7/1/63	1
Olustee, FL (7 <sup>TH</sup> )	2/23/64	1
Proctor's Creek, VA (6 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/3/64	1
Bermuda Hundred, VA (6 <sup>TH</sup> )	5/20/64	1
Petersburg, VA (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	6/15/64	1
Petersburg, VA (8 <sup>TH</sup> )	7/5/64	1
Deep Run, VA (10 <sup>TH</sup> )	8/16/64	1
Fort Hurricane, VA (29 <sup>TH</sup> )	10/18/64	1
Fort Gregg, VA (10 <sup>TH</sup> )	4/2/65	3