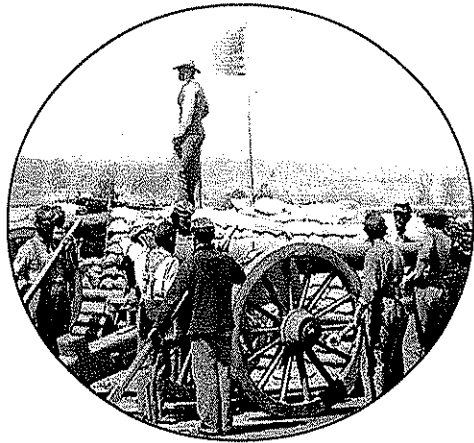


CIVIL WAR
VOLUNTEER SONS
OF CONNECTICUT
BLAIKIE HINES



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STAFFORD

THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 3,397 (RANK 29)

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

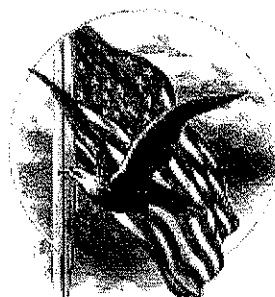
More soldiers credited to Stafford were listed as casualties (31) on this day than on any other day of the war. Thirty-one soldiers in the 16TH Connecticut were captured. Seven of them eventually died in prison.

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 31 total casualties for Stafford was the highest number of casualties for any single engagement of the war.

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.



296 MEN CREDITED TO
STAFFORD SERVED
IN THE FOLLOWING
CONNECTICUT
ORGANIZATIONS

| <u>REGIMENT</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 25 TH | 69 (23%) |
| 16 TH | 67 (23%) |
| 11 TH | 61 (21%) |
| 1 ST | 20 (7%) |
| 2 ND HEAVY ARTILLERY | 17 (6%) |
| 1 ST CAVALRY | 16 (5%) |
| 29 TH | 12 (4%) |
| 7 TH | 10 (3%) |
| 1 ST HEAVY ARTILLERY | 8 (3%) |
| 12 TH | 7 (2%) |
| 6 TH | 5 (2%) |
| 5 TH | 3 (1%) |
| 10 TH | 3 (1%) |
| 22 ND | 3 (1%) |
| 30 TH | 3 (1%) |
| 1 ST SQUADRON CAVALRY | 2 |
| 1 ST LIGHT BATTERY | 1 |
| 2 ND | 1 |
| 3 RD | 1 |
| 8 TH | 1 |
| 9 TH | 1 |
| 12 TH BATTALION | 1 |
| 14 TH | 1 |
| 17 TH | 1 |

9% OF POPULATION

SEVEN WERE KILLED AND ONE WAS MISSING

The first Stafford soldiers killed were 1ST Lieutenant William Horton and Private Augustus Truesdell of Company I, 16TH Connecticut. Both were killed at the Battle of Antietam, MD on September 17, 1862.

STAFFORD SOLDIERS KILLED MISSING *

| <u>PLACE</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>NO.</u> |
|---|-------------|------------|
| Antietam, MD (16 TH) | 9/17/62 | 2 |
| Irish Bend, LA (25 TH) | 4/14/63 | 1 |
| Drewry's Bluff, VA (11 TH) | 5/16/64 | 2 |
| Ream's Station, VA (1 CA) * | 7/29/64 | 1 |
| Silver Run, NC (5 TH) | 3/16/65 | 1 |
| Potomac River(Drowned)(16 TH) | 4/20/65 | 1 |

FORTY-EIGHT WERE CAPTURED

Ten Stafford soldiers died in captivity. Five soldiers died at Florence, SC and five at Andersonville Prison, GA.

**STAFFORD CAPTURED
*(10) DIED IN CAPTIVITY**

| <u>PLACE</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>NO.</u> |
|---|-------------|------------|
| Virginia (1 SQ) * | Unknown | 1 |
| New Bern, NC (11 TH) | 3/20/62 | 1 |
| Antietam, MD (16 TH) | 9/17/62 | 2 |
| Pattersonville, LA (12 TH) | 3/27/63 | 1 |
| Irish Bend, LA (25 TH) | 4/14/63 | 3 |
| Plymouth, NC (16 TH) *7 | 4/20/64 | 31 |
| Drewry's Bluff, VA (11 TH) *2 | 5/16/64 | 3 |
| Hatcher's Run, VA (7 TH) | 6/2/64 | 1 |
| Ream's Station, VA (1CA) | 6/29/64 | 1 |
| Cedar Run Church, VA (1CA) | 10/17/64 | 1 |
| Cedar Creek, VA (2 HA) | 10/19/64 | 3 |

TOTAL STAFFORD CASUALTIES

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------|
| DIED | 34 | 11% |
| KILLED/MISSING | 8 | 3% |
| WOUNDED | 61 | 20% |
| CAPTURED | 48 | 16% |
| DESERTED | 37 | 13% |

SIXTY-ONE WERE WOUNDED

The first Stafford soldier wounded was Private Charles McElroy of Company C, 1ST Connecticut. He was wounded at the Battle of Bull Run, VA on July 21, 1861 and recovered from his wound. Four Stafford soldiers died from a wound received during the war.

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

| <u>PLACE</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>NO.</u> |
|---|-------------|------------|
| Bull Run, VA (1 ST) | 7/21/61 | 1 |
| Antietam, MD (11, 16 TH) *2 | 9/17/62 | 18 |
| Fredericksburg, VA (16 TH) | 12/17/62 | 1 |
| Pensacola, FL (28 TH) | 3/22/63 | 1 |
| Irish Bend, LA (25 TH) *1 | 4/14/63 | 18 |
| Port Hudson, LA (12,25 TH) | 6/14/63 | 3 |
| Port Hudson, LA | 6/27/63 | 3 |
| Drewry's Bluff, VA (7 TH) | 5/14/64 | 1 |
| Drewry's Bluff, VA (11 TH) | 5/16/64 | 1 |
| Cold Harbor, VA (2 HA) * | 6/1/64 | 1 |
| Cold Harbor, VA (11 TH) | 6/3/64 | 2 |
| Petersburg, VA (11 TH) | 6/16/64 | 1 |
| Petersburg, VA (11 TH) | 6/18/64 | 1 |
| Ream's Station, VA (1 CA) | 6/29/64 | 1 |
| Petersburg, VA (11 TH) | 8/25/64 | 1 |
| Petersburg, VA (11 TH) | 9/11/64 | 1 |
| Winchester, VA (2 HA) | 9/19/64 | 1 |
| Cedar Creek, VA (2 HA) | 10/19/64 | 1 |
| Malvern Hill, VA (29 TH) | 10/27/64 | 1 |
| Kell House, VA (29 TH) | 10/27/64 | 2 |
| Dinwiddie Court House, VA | 3/31/65 | 1 |

