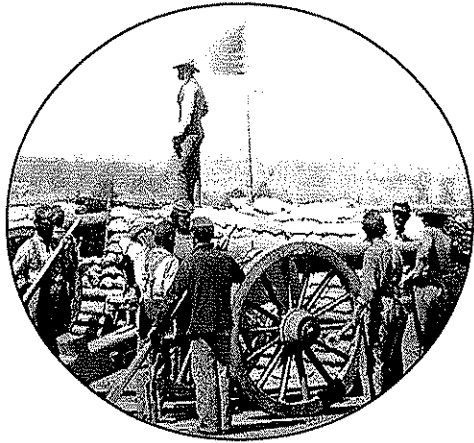


CIVIL WAR
VOLUNTEER SONS
OF CONNECTICUT
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STONINGTON

THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 5,827 (RANK 13)

THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY
OF THE CIVIL WAR

MAY 16, 1864

DREWRY'S BLUFF, VA

AN OBSTACLE ON THE WAY
TO RICHMOND

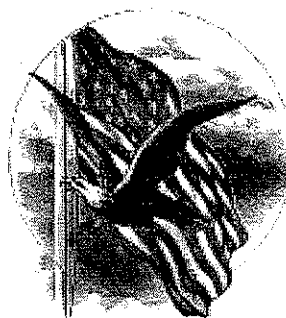
More soldiers credited to Stonington were listed as casualties (19) on this day than on any other day of the war. Four soldiers were killed, 5 were wounded, and 10 captured in the 8TH and 21ST Connecticut. Six of the captured died in prison.

The date May 16, 1864 ranks 4th 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. The 15 other casualties were scattered about Virginia.

The Battle of Drewry's Bluff (May 13-17, 1864), also called Fort Darling, ranks 3rd for total casualties (634) for an engagement for the State of Connecticut. The most intense fighting developed on May 16. Stonington also had one casualty on May 13 and 15.

The Battle of Drewry's Bluff with 21 total casualties for Stonington 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.



368 MEN CREDITED TO
STONINGTON SERVED
IN THE FOLLOWING
CONNECTICUT
ORGANIZATIONS

<u>REGIMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
8 TH	92 (25%)
21 ST	79 (21%)
26 TH	59 (16%)
1 ST CAVALRY	31 (8%)
12 TH	27 (7%)
14 TH	22 (6%)
5 TH	19 (5%)
1 ST HEAVY ARTILLERY	12 (3%)
30 TH	10 (3%)
12 TH BATTALION	9 (2%)
2 ND	7 (2%)
29 TH	6 (2%)
10 TH	5 (1%)
18 TH	5 (1%)
2 ND HEAVY ARTILLERY	4 (1%)
9 TH	3 (1%)
20 TH	3 (1%)
13 TH	2
1 ST	1
3 RD	1
6 TH	1
13 TH BATTALION	1

6% OF POPULATION

EIGHTEEN WERE KILLED AND ONE WAS MISSING

The first Stonington soldier killed was Corporal Oscar W. Hewitt of Company G, 8TH Connecticut. He was killed at the Battle of Antietam, MD on September 17, 1862.

STONINGTON SOLDIERS KILLED MISSING *

PLACE	DATE	NO.
Antietam, MD (8 TH)	9/17/62	1
Georgia Landing, LA (12 TH)	10/27/62	1
Baltimore, MD (1 CA)(Accident)	3/20/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (26 TH)	5/27/63	2
Winchester, VA (18 TH)	6/15/63	1
Virginia ((1 CA) *	1/15/64	1
Newport News, VA(Drowned)21 ST	2/3/64	1
Railroad Accident (12 TH)	5/5/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (8 TH)	5/13/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (8, 21 ST)	5/16/64	4
Petersburg, VA (21 ST)	6/30/64	1
Peach Tree Creek, GA (5 TH)	7/20/64	2
Winchester, VA (12 TH)	9/19/64	1
Fort Harrison, VA (8 TH)	9/29/64	1

THIRTY-FOUR WERE CAPTURED

Eleven Stonington soldiers died in captivity. Six died at Andersonville Prison, GA., two died at Salisbury, NC, and one died at Savannah, GA.

STONINGTON CAPTURED *(11) DIED IN CAPTIVITY

PLACE	DATE	NO.
Winchester, VA (5 TH)	5/25/62	1
Luray Valley, VA (5 TH)	6/30/62	1
Cedar Mountain, VA (5 TH)	8/9/62	1
Culpeper, VA (5 TH)	8/20/62	1
Antietam, MD (8 TH)	9/19/62	1
Brashear City, LA (12 TH)	6/23/63	1
South Mills, NC (8 TH)	8/25/63	1
Mine Run, VA (14 TH) *	11/30/63	1
Morton's Ford, VA (14 TH) *2	2/6/64	2
Monett's Ferry, LA (13 TH)	4/23/64	1
Craig's Church, VA (1 CA)	5/5/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (8, 21) *6	5/16/64	10
Berryville, VA (1 CA)	8/15/64	1
Ream's Station, VA (14 TH)	8/25/64	1
Petersburg, VA (8 TH)	9/17/64	1
Cedar Creek, VA (12 TH) *2	10/19/64	8
Stony Creek, VA (14 TH)	10/27/64	1

TOTAL STONINGTON CASUALTIES

DIED	62	17%
KILLED/MISSING	19	5%
WOUNDED	76	21%
CAPTURED	34	9%
DESERTED	39	11%



SEVENTY-SIX WERE WOUNDED

The first Stonington soldier wounded was Lieutenant Colonel Thomas D. Sheffield, 8TH Connecticut. He was wounded at Fort Macon, NC on April 12, 1862 and recovered from his wound. Thirteen Stonington soldiers died from a wound received during the war.

STONINGTON WOUNDED *(13) DIED FROM WOUNDS

PLACE	DATE	NO.
Fort Macon, NC (8 TH)	4/12/62	1
Mt Jackson, VA (1 CA)	6/6/62	1
Antietam, MD (8 TH)	9/17/62	14
Bisland, LA (12 TH) *	4/13/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (12,26 TH) *3	5/27/63	13
Port Hudson, LA (12 TH)	5/28/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (12 TH)	6/10/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (26 TH)	6/13/63	1
Port Hudson, LA (12, 26 TH)	6/14/63	4
Port Hudson, LA (12 TH)	6/30/63	1
Bristoe Station, VA (14 TH)	10/14/63	2
Walthall Junction, VA (8 TH) *2	5/7/64	5
Drewry's Bluff, VA (8 TH)	5/15/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (21 ST) *	5/16/64	5
Cold Harbor, VA (8 TH)	6/2/64	1
Cold Harbor, VA (21 ST)	6/3/64	4
Petersburg, VA (8 TH) *1	6/16/64	3
Petersburg, VA (21 ST) *1	6/30/64	2
Petersburg, VA (21 ST)	7/9/64	1
Petersburg, VA (21 ST)	7/17/64	1
Petersburg, VA (1 HA)	7/19/64	1
Peach Tree Creek, GA (5 TH)	7/20/64	1
Petersburg, VA (21 ST)	7/30/64	1
Petersburg, VA (21 ST)	8/18/64	1
Winchester, VA (12 TH)	9/19/64	3
Fort Harrison, VA (8 TH) *1	9/29/64	3
Petersburg, VA (21 ST) *	9/29/64	1
Cedar Run Chrch, VA (1 CA)*	10/17/64	1