

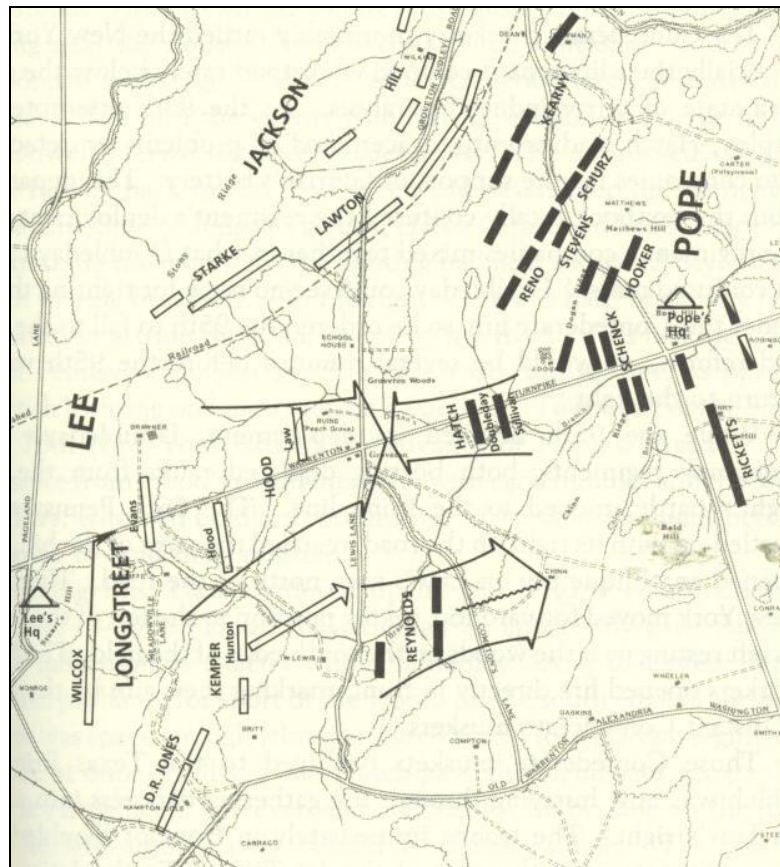
CHAPTER 4 **On to Second Manassas**

The Army again moved northward under newly appointed General Pope for his Virginia Campaign. Stephen Scriber was promoted to second lieutenant and transferred to Co. I, 24th NY Infantry on August 30th, 1862 when Duncan Campbell of Co. I was wounded and captured at that time.^{23,44} This was after some of the major fighting of 2nd Manassas and the day after the 24th was losing its flag during the fighting at Groveton. As the 24th came over a rise near Warrenton pike on July 29th, they were confronted by General Longstreet's men.³⁴ With heavy firing many men on both sides were killed. This collision between Hatch's Brigade and General Hood's men is commemorated by the historical marker that follows located at Groveton, Va.

During late August 1862 the 24th moved toward the unfinished railroad slightly north of Groveton where they led an attack (Porter's) in the mid-afternoon (Second Bull Run).^{20,23,34,64} Stephen's brother Charles had been wounded on the 29th as was their friend John R. Young.^{39,40,69} Although John Young was wounded in the head and arm, he assisted Stephen in carrying his mortally wounded brother Charles from the site of the Groveton encounter the morning of August 30th.^{44,71} Stephen Scriber was wounded later that afternoon (2nd Battle of Bull Run/ Manassas, Va).⁴⁴ John Young was wounded again in his shoulder and thigh near the unfinished railroad bed and taken to the Stone House (Hospital).⁷¹ Charles died approximately 2 weeks later in a Washington, D.C. hospital. Pension records^{40,41} and another newspaper account¹⁷ published September 12th, 1862, stated that Charles Scriber was shot through both knees and listed in "very dangerous" condition. Most likely the injuries necessitated both legs being amputated which



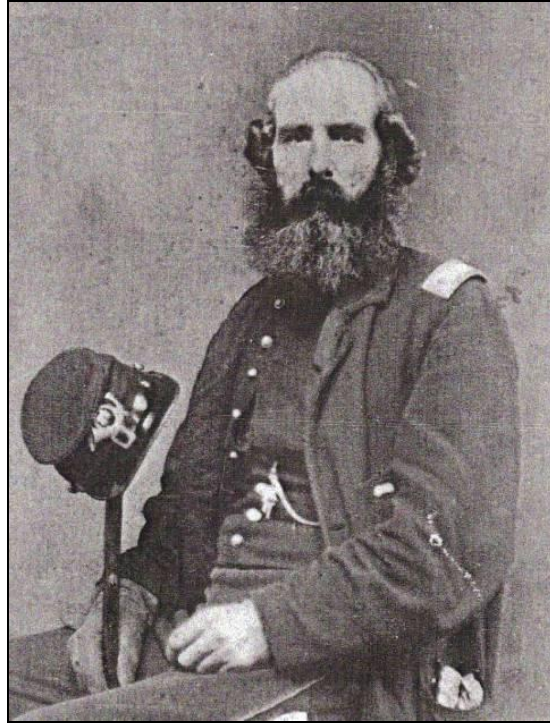
Historical Marker from Groveton, Va. (Photo by K. Scriber)



Hood and Hatch Clash at Groveton (August 29, 1862, 7:00pm)²³

were common. Amputations at the knee level had a 30-40% mortality rate. He was taken back to Washington D.C. and placed in Armory Square General Hospital (see page 44) where he died as a result of these wounds on September 13th, 1862. A September 1862 issue of the Mexico Independent updated the recent battles the 24th NY had partaken in and reported that “Charles Scriber and S.M. Ottoman, Co. H, 24th Regiment, died in the hospital in Washington last week.”¹⁷ Charles’ remains were sent home and he was buried at Chase Cemetery, in Lysander, NY.^{40,41}

In a post war letter Stephen stated that on the 30th of August, he himself was struck in the left side by a shell which crushed his canteen and knocked him “quite senseless”.⁴⁴ A comrade (who was later killed at South Mountain) assisted him off the field. Stephen stated he “did not receive any medical attention other than some liniment from the hospital steward.” According to medical records in his pension file, he received multiple wounds during the war (hip, abdomen, & lower leg), but it is not clear at this point when and where he received them all. According to a letter written by Stephen Scriber, published in the March 4, 1912 Fulton Times¹⁷, the ankle wounds also occurred at 2nd Bull Run and the abdominal wound occurred from a Minie ball at Antietam (Sharpsburg, Md). In this same account, Stephen mentioned the loss of his brother at 2nd Bull Run. An account of 2nd Bull Run written by 2nd Lt. Richard L. Hill²⁴ to his fiancé after the battle, reinforced how badly “cut up” his regiment (24th NYSV) was and that his own Company E was nearly two-thirds gone.

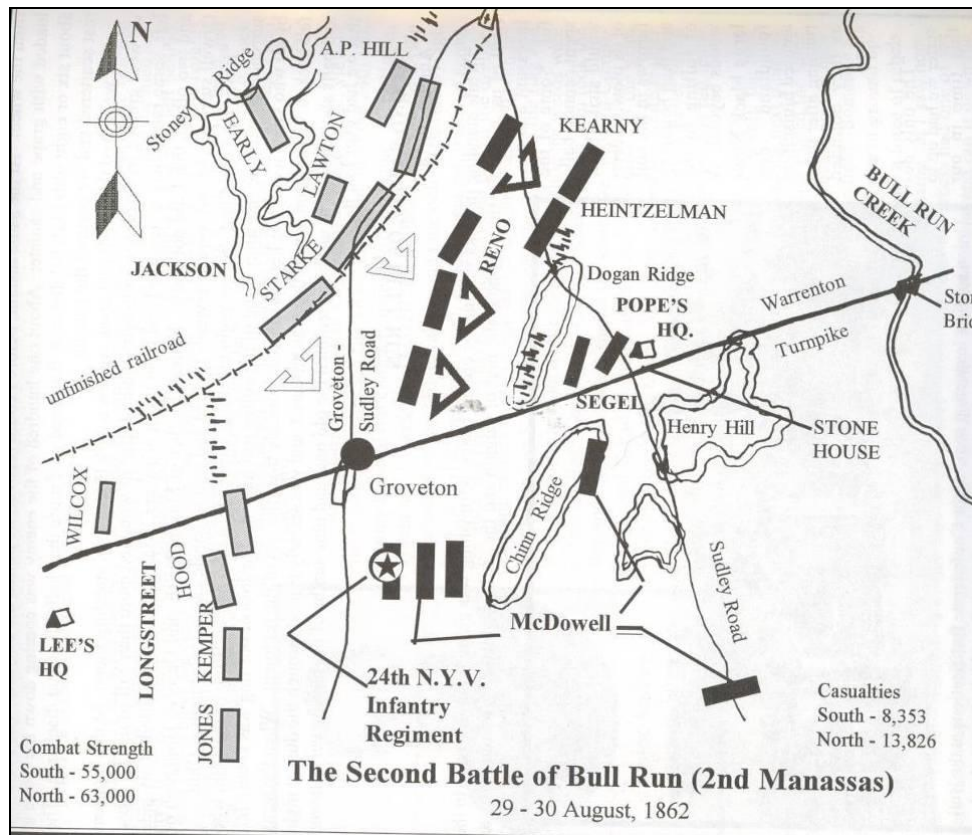


Duncan McDougald Campbell, 2nd Lieutenant Co. I, 24th NYSV Infantry (USAHMI)⁶⁵
(Stephen J. Scriber replaced him as 2nd Lt., Co. I at 2nd Manassas after Lt. Campbell was wounded and captured by the Rebels)

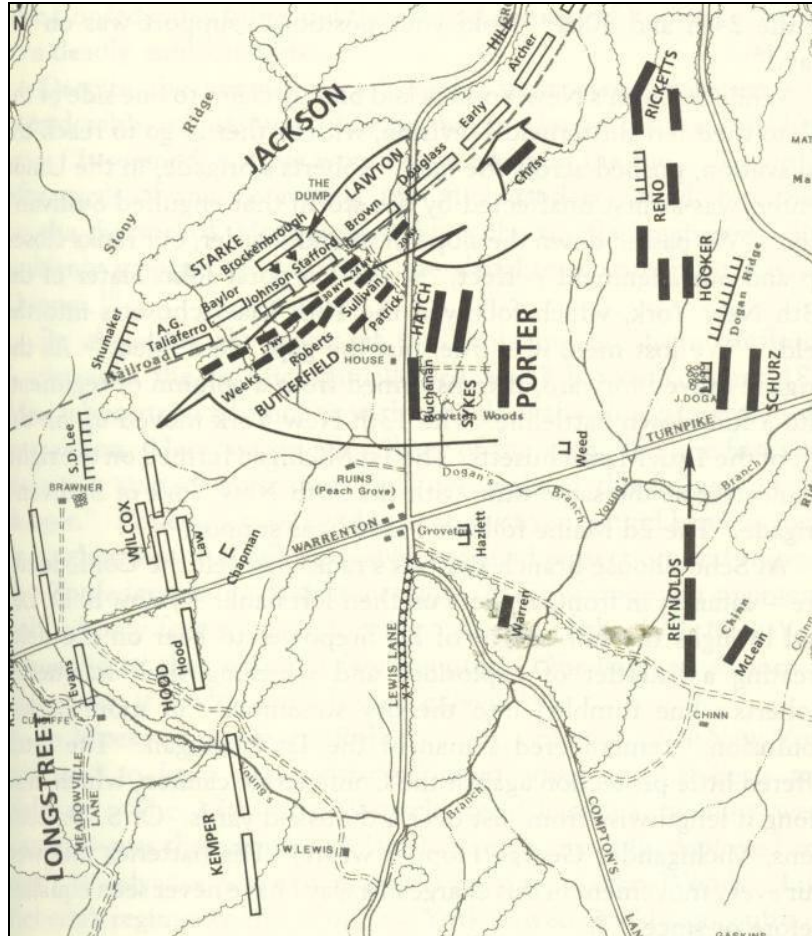
During the 2nd battle of Bull Run (Manassas, Virginia) the 24th NYS infantry was a part of the 1st Brigade (under Hatch and Sullivan) of the 1st Division (under King, Hatch, & Doubleday – Corps was under Fitz John Porter) and engaged in battle slightly north of Groveton, Virginia near the unfinished railroad where the Confederates had set up a major line under General Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson using the unfinished bed for their protection. According to Theron Haight²⁰, corporal of the 24th, at one point during this part of the battle, when ammunition was running low, soldiers continued to fight by throwing stones at each other. There was also some fierce hand to hand fighting where bayonets and muskets used as clubs were utilized as the primary weapons.^{20,23} Corporal Haight was captured on August 30th and paroled at Centerville, Va. about a week later.³⁰



Brooklyn 14th Monument – Hatch’s Brigade with 24th (Groveton – Charles Scriber was wounded 8/29/1862 at this site – Photo by K. Scriber) ^{40,41,44}



24th NYS Position at Groveton (August 29, 1862) ³⁴



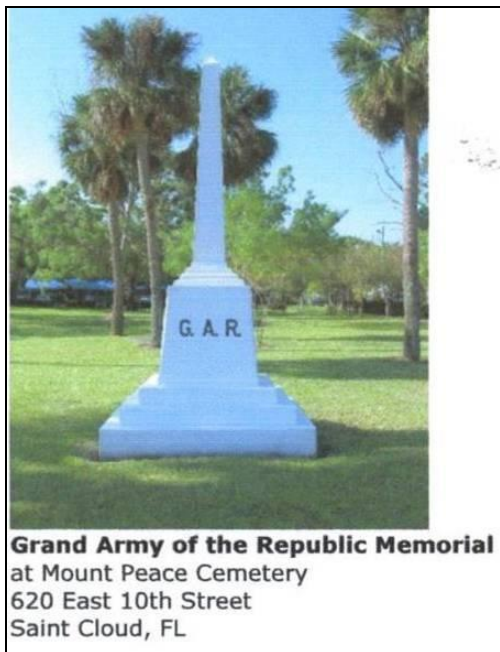
Porter's attack 3:00pm August 30th (NY 24th leading Hatch's Brigade)²³



Second Manassas (Confederates throwing stones at the unfinished railroad)²³



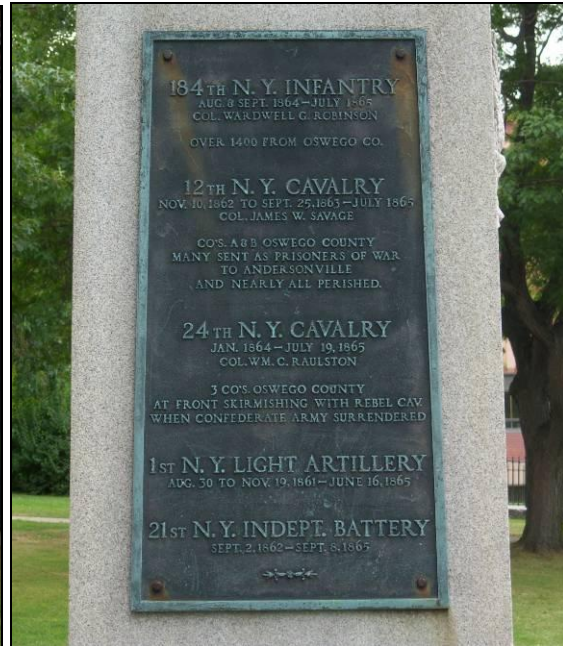
George Scriber & Charles B. Scriber grave markers
 (Chase Cemetery, Lysander, NY)



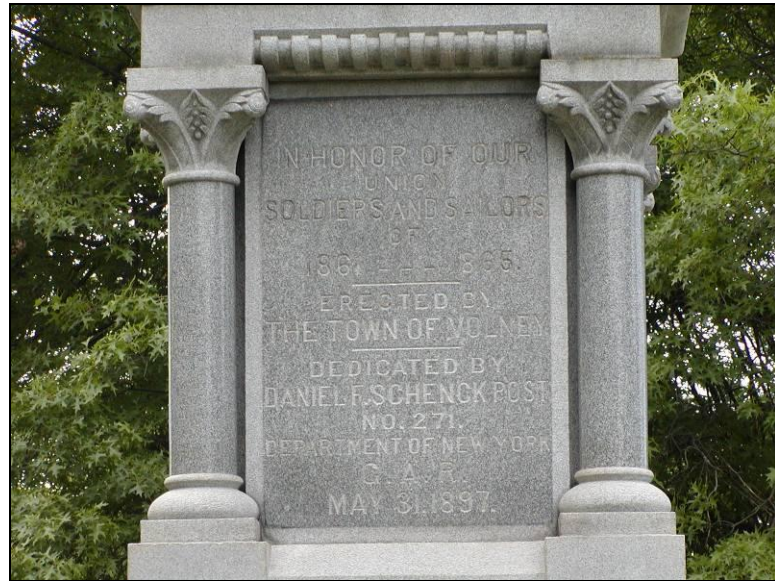
Mount Peace Cemetery
 (St. Cloud, FL - Site of Stephen J. Scriber Grave)



Oswego County Civil War Monument, Oswego, NY



Sides of Oswego County monument listing 24th, 110th, & 184th NY Infantry



Volney Civil War Monument – Fulton, NY



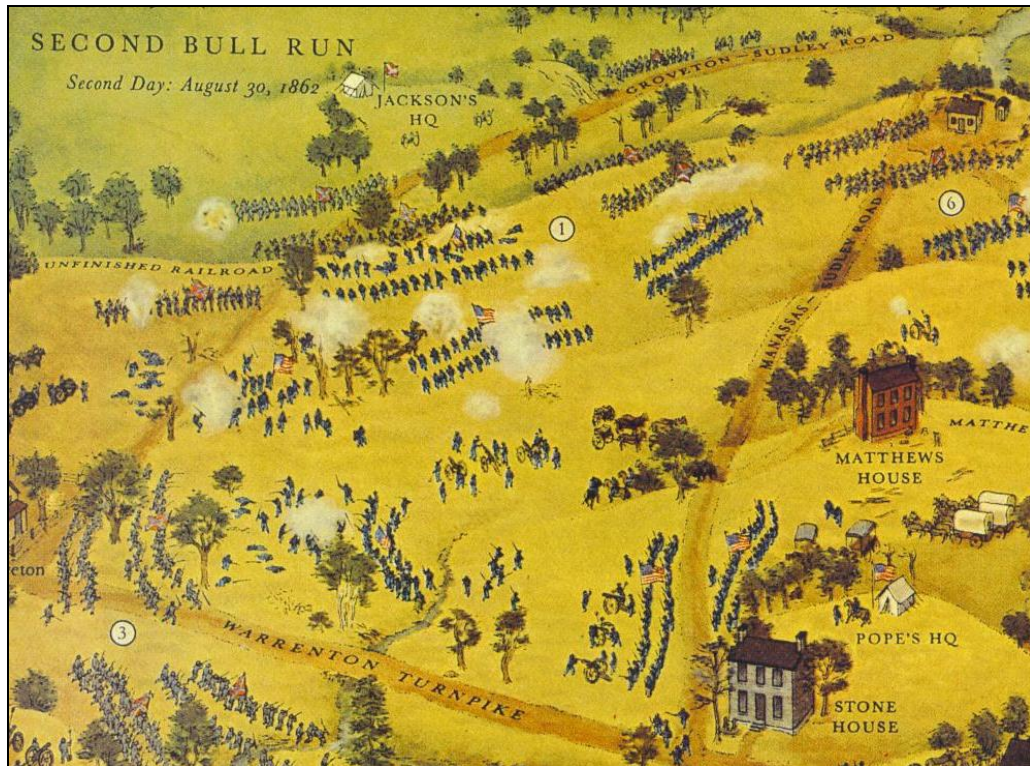
Armory Square General Hospital - (Charles B. Scriber died in this Washington DC hospital 9/13/1862) Ancestry.com US Registers of Death of Volunteers, 1861-1865



Portion of Unfinished Railroad, Manassas, Va From CivilWar.com¹¹

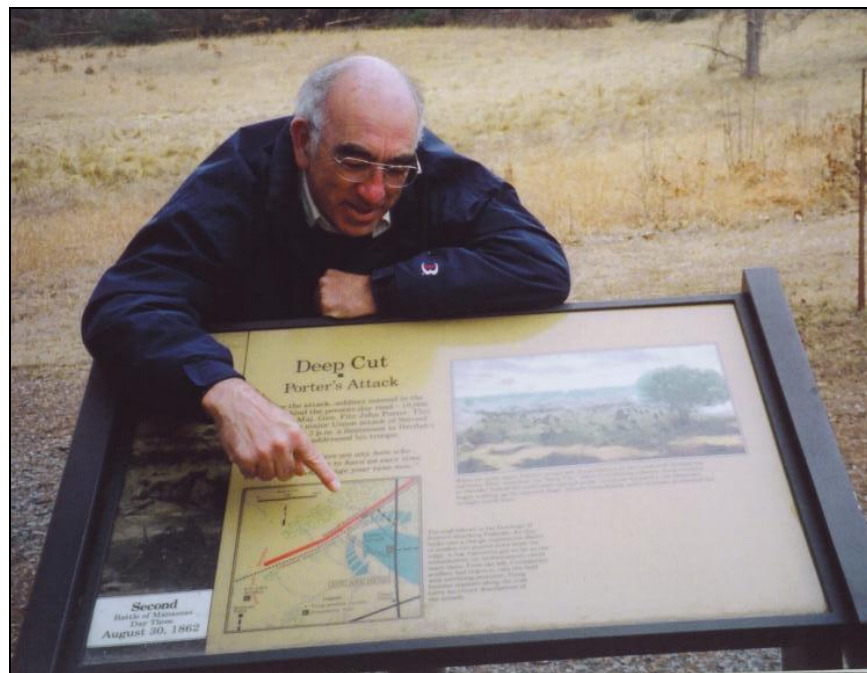


Stone Bridge over Bull Run, Manassas, Va From CivilWar.com¹¹

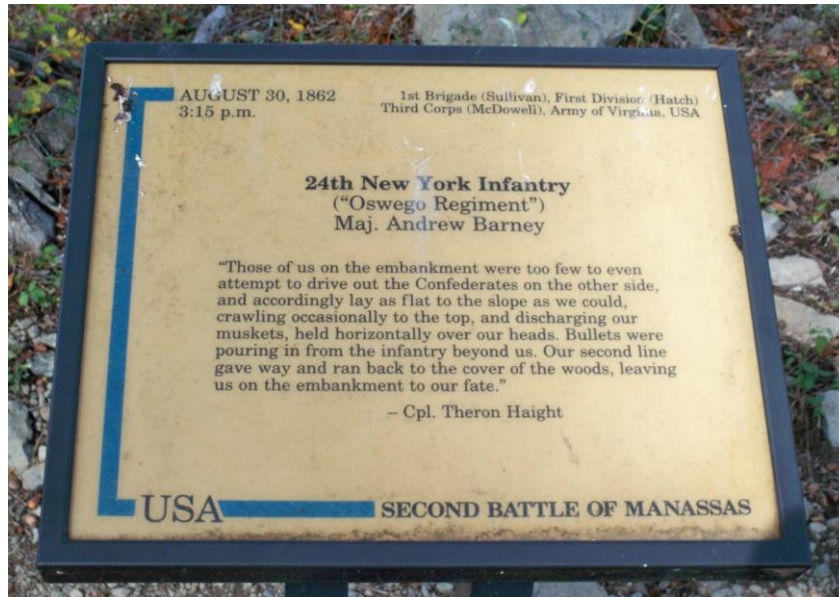


Second Bull Run - 1862

(Numbers 1 & 3 indicate positions where the NY 24th fought on 8/29 & 8/30)^{7,23}



Historical Marker of Porter's Attack @ Deep Cut-
 Second Manassas, August 30th, 1862 (Stephen Scriber was wounded here)



Marker Theron Haight's account of the fighting at the unfinished railroad



Historical Marker with account of the "Rock Fight"



Confederate account of the fighting at the unfinished railroad



Monument honoring those who died at 2nd Manassas (Groveton)

<http://www.nytimes.com/1862/09/03/news/latest-lists-killed-wounded-full-returns-our-special-correspondents-field-united.html?pagewanted=2>

New York Times – September 3, 1862

LATEST LISTS OF KILLED AND WOUNDED.; Full Returns from Our Special Correspondents in the Field. ARMORY-SQUARE OFFICERS. SAME HOSPITAL. RYLAND CHAPEL AND GRACE CHURCH HOSPITAL DR. J. NICHOLS IN CHARGE. TWENTY-EIGHT MASSACHUSETTS. THE SEVENTY-NINTH PENNSYLVANIA FIRST NEW-JERSEY. SECOND UNITED STATES INFANTRY. FIFTY-FIFTH OHIO. **TWENTY-FOURTH NEW-YORK.** NINETY-SEVENTH NEW-YORK. THIRTEENTH NEW-YORK. FIFTH NEW-YORK. SECOND NEW-YORK ARTILLERY. SECOND NEW-JERSEY. SEVENTH NEW-JERSEY. ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND NEW-YORK. EIGHTY-EIGHTH PENNSYLVANIA. SECOND MAINE. ADDITIONAL LIST OF KILLED AND WOUNDED. ELEVENTH PENNSYLVANIA REGIMENT. THIRD MICHIGAN. FIFTEENTH PENNSYLVANIA. FIRST MICHIGAN. SECOND WISCONSIN. WOUNDED AT COLLEGE HOSPITAL. EIGHTY-EIGHTH PENNSYLVANIA CONTINUED. SEVENTH WISCONSIN REGIMENT. OTHER REGIMENTS.

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TWENTY-FOURTH NEW-YORK.

Wm. Sherman, Co. H, killed; Harvey Bundy, Co. B, killed; Lieut. Murray, Co. F, leg; First Lieut. Y. Sandovel, Co. A. head; Second Lieut. Ayres, Co. K, wounded; Lieut. Col. [???], hand; Capt. Beardsley, Co. I, wounded; First Lieut. Phillips, Co. K, side, slightly; Michael J. Farrett, Co. C, side; Eugene Fairbanks, Co. C, hip; Corp. Wallace Wing, Co. H, missing; Benj Hart, Co. H, knee; **Chas. Scruber, Co. H, both knees;** Sidney Ottman, Co. H, neck, dangerously; J.B. Pearsons, Co. H. side, slightly; Sidney Henderson, Co. D, leg; Thos. Cassenger, Co. D, leg; James AVilson, Co. ., anke; George Durfey, Co. K, arm; Michael Farrell, Co. C, head, serious.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Sept 2. The following came up on a train to-night:

Lieut. Cattlin, Birney's Staff, fever; C. Connelly, Co. E, 2d Va., arm; C. Kuntz, Co. A, 11th Penn, arm; **C. Scriber, Co. H, 24th N.Y., knee;** E. Randall, Co. E, 1st Mich, knee; L. Vanocker, Co. F, 18th N.Y., amputation; J. Gibson, Co. B, 5th N.J., amputation; W.R. Kidd, Co. A, 12th Penn. Reserve Vols., arm and hip; E.J. Smith, Co. H, 26th N.Y., arm; C. Hobsmith, Co. B, 20th Ind., fracture; B. Davis, Co. C, [???] N.Y., hip; J. S. Betts, Co. A, 46th N.Y., diarrhea; John Shultz, Co. A, 2d Mich., fever.



Armory Square General Hospital was located at the current site of Smithsonian Space and Air Museum (Google Images)

