

## FIRST BATTALION SHARPSHOOTERS. NEW YORK, men of 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> Companies----captured at Weldon Rail Road, Virginia, on August 19, 1864

AINSWORTH, THERON.—Age, 26' years. Enlisted, August 12, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; taken prisoner, at Weldon, R. R., Va., August 19, 1864; released, March 8, 1865, at Aikens Landing, Va. ; mustered out, September 1, 1865, at Rochester, N.Y. [ Appears to have died around October 1868 ]

ALVERSON, WATSON.—Age, 20 years. Enlisted, August 27, 1862, at Gerry; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; wounded, May 23, 1864, at North Anna; mustered out, May 30, 1865, at United States Army General Hospital, Summit House, Philadelphia, Pa. [ Invalid in June 1865; died July 4, 1906]

BARTOO, NORMAN.—Age, 28 years. Enlisted, August 28, 1862, at Busti ; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; exchanged, March, 1865; died of disease, April 3, 1865, at Newton United States General Hospital, Baltimore, Md.; also borne as Bartow. [ Widow files pension application in June 1865 ]

BENSON , HORATIO P.—Age, 33 years. Enlisted, August 28, 1862, at Busti ; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; exchanged in March, 1865; died, March 16, 1865, at Jamestown, N.Y. [ 33 pages at [www.fold3.com](http://www.fold3.com) Was a paroled prisoner on furlough. Two young children went into guardianship. ]

BENNETT , GEORGE.—Age, 20 years. Enlisted, August 13, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; died in confederate prison, January 4, 1865, at Salisbury, N.C. [ Father granted pension in June 1880 ] In Brown as Bennett, Geo., Pvt., C, 1st NY SS, 1-6-65

BERTRAM , ROBERT.—Age, 22 years. Enlisted, November 17, 1862, at Hanover; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, November 18, 1862, to serve three years; died, January 26, 1865, a prisoner at Salisbury, N . C. [ No Pension Application Found—NPAF ] [ In Brown as Bertram, ---, Pvt., ---, --- NY SS, 1-28-65 ]

BRACKETT , MICHAEL.—Age, 33 years. Enlisted, August 22, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; promoted corporal, prior to April 10, 1863; reduced, date not stated; died January 18, 1865, in Confederate prison, at Salisbury, N , C. [ Widow files for pension in April 1868 ] [ In Brown as Brackett, Michael, Pvt., ---, 6th NY SS, 1-19-65 ]

BROWN, AMOS I.—Age, 25 years. Enlisted, August 11, 1862, at Carroll; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled in March, 1865; mustered out, June 7, 1865, at Elmira, N, Y. [ Died December 31, 1914 at National Home, California ]

CARPENTER , WILLIAM.—Age, 22 years. Enlisted, August 20, 1863, at Dunkirk; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, August 20, 1863, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; died of disease, November 30, 1864, at Salisbury, N.C, while a prisoner of war. [ Father applies for pension in July 1887 ] [ In Brown as Carpenter, W.H., Pvt., F, 1st NY SS, 11-30-64 ]

COOK, JAMES N. C.—Age, — years. Enlisted, December 2, 1862, at Buffalo; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, December 3, 1862, to serve three years; 'wounded, May 5, 1864; died of disease, February 12, 1865, at Salisbury, N.C. , in a confederate prison. [ Mother files pension application in July 1884 ] In Brown as Cook, James, Pvt., C, 1st NY SS, 2-12-65 ]

CUNNINGHAM, GEORGE.—Age, 18 years. Enlisted, August 13, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years, at Camp Parole, Annapolis, Md. ; no further record. [ Died December 29, 1914 at National Soldiers Home, VA ]

ERTS, NICHOLAS.—Age, 34 years. Enlisted, November 7, 1862, at Hudson; mustered in as corporal, Eighth Company, January 22, 1863, to serve three years; died of disease, March 20, 1865, at Richmond, Va. ; also borne as Ertz. [ Widow files for pension on January 31, 1866 ]

EATON, RICE H.—Age, 24 years. Enlisted, August 20, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; wounded, June 18, 1864; discharged for disability, June 19, 1865, at United States Army General Hospital, Rochester, N . Y. [ Invalid in July 1865; died August 4, 1912 in Tacoma, WA ]

FARNHAM, JOHN T —Age, 20 years. Enlisted, August 20, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; mustered out, June 17, 1865, at Elmira, N . Y . [ NPAF ]

FOLLETT, BYRON M.—Age, 20 years. Enlisted, August 15, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; wounded, May 5, 1864, and captured by the enemy; discharged for disability, June 15, 1865, at Slough General Hospital, Alexandria, Va . [ Pensioned as invalid in June 1865 ]

GALLATI N, DANIEL B.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, August 30, 1862, at Buffalo; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, 'September 3, 1862, to serve three years; mustered out, June 20, 1865, at Annapolis, Md. [ Died October 18, 1929 at Washington, DC ]

HALE, HIRAM.—Age, 33 years. Enlisted, August 18, 1862, at Ellery; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; promoted corporal, August 1, 1863; wounded, May 5, 1864; promoted sergeant, December 1, 1864; discharged, May 16, 1865, at Satterlee United States General Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. [ Minor applies for pension in January 1884---denied ]

HERRICK, GEORGE W.—Age, 35 years. Enlisted, August 28, 1862, at Carroll; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; sent to hospital wounded, June 25, 1864; mustered out, October 26, 1865, at Elmira, N . Y . [ Pensioned as an invalid in September 1866; died in 1908 ]

HOLMAN, HORACE D.—Age, 38 years. Enlisted, August 20, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as corporal, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; captured at Weldon, Railroad, August 19, 1864; paroled at Richmond, Va., October 8, 1864; mustered out, June 16, 1865, at United States General Hospital, Annapolis, Md. [ NPAF ]

HORTON, WILLIAM B.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, August 30, 1862, at Buffalo; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, September 3, 1862, to serve three years; **died, January 4, 1865, at Salisbury, N.C., while a prisoner of war.** [ 9 pages at [www.fold3.com](http://www.fold3.com) Place of capture not found but probably Weldon RR since Wilderness captures went to Andersonville. Widow, no children. ] [ In Brown as Horton, Wm. D., Pvt., C, 1st NY SS, 1-4-65 ]

JOHNSON, BENJAMIN N.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, November 10, 1862, at Amherst; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, November 10, 1862, to serve three years; mustered out with detachment, June 5, 1865, at Annapolis, Md. [ NPAF ]

KELLY, ROYCE.—Age, 18 years. Enlisted, August 11, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; discharged for disability, April 28, 1865, at McDougall General Hospital, Fort Schuyler, New York Harbor. [ Died July 19, 1922 at Kalamazoo, MI ]

KOCHER, JONAS H.—Age, 22 years. Enlisted, August 11, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; captured at Weldon R. R., Va., August 19, 1864; released, March 9, 1865, at Aikens Landing, Va.; mustered out, August 5, 1865, at Rochester, N. Y.; also borne as James Kocher. [ Died September 16, 1921 at Jordan township, [illegible], Michigan ]

LANGWORTHY, ELIJAH W.—Age, 24 years. Enlisted, July 26, 1862, at Ellicott; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; mustered out, May 16, 1865, at Satterlee General Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. [ Died May 5, 1916 at Bath, NY ]

LAWRENCE, GEORGE A.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, August 19, 1863, at Ellington; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, August 19, 1863, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; **died of disease, February 5, 1865, at Salisbury, N. C., a prisoner of war.** [ NPAF ] [ In Brown as Lawrence, George A., Pvt., F, --- NY SS, 2-5-65 ]

LEE, JOHN A.—Age, 29 years. Enlisted, November 8, 1862, at Hudson; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, October 6, 1863, to serve three years; **died, February 21, 1865, at Salisbury, N.C., while a prisoner of war.** [ 149 pp. at [www.fold3.com](http://www.fold3.com) James Lane, Co. A, 95<sup>th</sup> NY, testified that Lee died on a jail train between Salisbury and Richmond and his body left along with others by the side of the tracks around February 20, 1865. LANE, JAMES. — Age, 41 years. Enlisted, December 6, 1861, at New York city, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. A, December 7, 1861; re-enlisted as a veteran, January 26, 1864; captured in action, October 1, 1864, at Poplar Grove Church, Va.; returned to regiment, May 15, 1865; mustered out with detachment, June 14, 1865, near Washington, D.C. Isaac Van Loan, Co. A, 95<sup>th</sup> NY also testified, saying that it was around March 5 that Lee died and that he had gone insane from exposure, having only a hole in the ground for shelter. VANLOAN, ISAAC—Age, 28 years. Enlisted, December 16, 1861, at New York city, to serve three years; mustered in as private, Co. A, December 17, 1861; promoted sergeant, no date; re-enlisted as a veteran, January 26, 1864; returned to the ranks, April 1, 1864; absent, captured in action, August 21, 1864, at Weldon Railroad, Va.; paroled, no date; returned to regiment, June 2, 1865; mustered out with detachment, June 13, 1865, near Washington, D. C.; also borne as Van Leon. Case took until January 1869 to resolve. No children. She collected pension to at least 1916.] [NOT found in Brown ]

LIKE, FRANCIS.—Age, 19 years. Enlisted, October 22, 1862, at Hudson; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, January 22, 1863, to serve three years; **died, December 31, 1864, at Salisbury, N. C., while a prisoner of war.** [ LYKE--- Mother files in November 1886 ] [ In Brown as Like, Francis, Pvt., G, 1st NY SS, 12-4-64 ]

LOVE , EDGAR.—Age, 18 years. Enlisted, August 28, 1862, at Carroll; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled in March, 1865; mustered out, June 7, 1865, at Elmira, N. Y. [ Died January 16, 1921 at Soldiers Home, California ]

MARTIN, EMORY W—Age, 19 years. Enlisted, August 11, 1862, at Carroll; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; mustered out, June 2, 1865, at Douglass United States General Hospital, Washington, D. C. [ Died March 7, 1902 ]

McDONALD, JOHN B.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, August 30, 1862, at Buffalo; mustered in as sergeant, Eighth Company, January 22, 1863, to serve three years; promoted first sergeant, date not stated; appointed second lieutenant, date not stated; mustered in as first lieutenant, February 4, 1864; wounded, June 1, 1864; mustered in as **captain**, August 5, 1864; reported prisoner of war in October, 1864; mustered out with company, July 10, 1865, near Washington, D. C ; commissioned second lieutenant, December 12, 1863, with rank from September ,28, 1863, vice Latham, dismissed; first lieutenant, January 23, 1864, with rank from December 8, 1863, vice Parry, promoted; captain, J u l y 20, 1864, with rank from July 8, 1864, vice Parry, dismissed.

MILES, DANIEL M.—Age, 24 years. Enlisted, August 30, 1862, at Buffalo; mustered in as sergeant, Eighth Company, September 3, 1862, to serve three years; promoted first sergeant, date not stated; mustered out with detachment, June 5, 1865, at Annapolis, Md. [ NPAF ]

MONTGOMERY, ALEX . — Age , 34 years. Enlisted, August 30, 1862, at Ellington; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; captured, August 9, 1864; paroled, March, 1865; mustered out, June 13, 1865, at Elmira, N.Y. [ Died February 21, 1908 at Eaton Rapids, MI ]

MOON, ALONZO J.—Age, 26 years. Enlisted, August 11, 1862, at Gerry; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; discharged, January 19, 1864, at Chesapeake General Hospital, Washington, D. C. [ Presence as a POW confirmed by affidavit in pension file of Jerome Southwick sworn to by Captain Perry ][ Died July 23, 1901 at Erie, PA ]

MOORE, MARTIN L.—Age, 19 years. Enlisted, August 11, 1862, at Carroll; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; wounded, May 10, 1864; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled, March, 1865; mustered out, June 7, 1865, at Elmira, N. Y. [ Died January 3, 1925 at Frewsburg, NY ]

NICHOLS, TYRUS J.—Age, 27 years. Enlisted, August 28, 1862, at Carroll; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; wounded, May 5, 1864; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled in March, 1865; mustered out, June 13, 1865, at Elmira, N. Y. [ NPAF ]

NORTON, AARON.—Age, 29 years. Enlisted, August 11, 1862,, at Carroll; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; wounded, June 18, 1864, at Petersburg, Va. ; mustered out, June 18, 1865, at White Hall, United States General Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. [ Died May 15, 1928 at Grand Rapids, MI ]

PEASE , ORSON R.—Age, 27 years. Enlisted, August 25, 1862,, at Kiantone; mustered in as corporal, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; reduced, March 18, 1863 captured, August 19, 1864; paroled in March, 1865; mustered out, June 7, 1865, at Elmira, N . Y . [ Filed as an invalid in 1880; lived to at least 1907 ]

PERRY , CLINTON.—Age, 34 years. Enrolled, August 9, 1862, at Kiantone; mustered in as second lieutenant, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; as first lieutenant, to date, January 23, 1864; as **captain**, to date, April 24, 1864; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled, September 25, 1864; returned to command, December 23, 1864; mustered out with company, June 3, 1865, near Washington, D. C-; commissioned second lieutenant, December 18, 1862, with rank from September 1, 1862, original; first lieutenant, March 15, 1864, with rank from January 23, 1864, vice Hall, discharged; captain, July 20, 1864, with rank from April 24, 1864, vice Arnold, resigned. [ Died July 27, 1879 ]

POOL, DAN.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, August 11, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years; captured at Weldon Railroad, Va., August 19, 1864; released, at N . E. Bridge, N.C. , March 2, 1865; mustered out, July 7, 1865, at Rochester, N. Y . ; also, borne as Daniel Pool. [ Died June 26, 1911 ]

POTWINE, JUNIUS F.—Age, 29 years. Enlisted, August 30, 1862, at Ellington; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled in March, 1865; mustered out, June 13, 1865, at Elmira, NY. [ Appears to have died around January 1879; gives graphic account of the suffering of Jerome Southwick at Salisbury. ]

PRICE, ANDREW J.—Age, 18 years. Enlisted, September 15, 1862, at Buffalo; mustered in as corporal, Eighth Company, • September 15, 1862, to serve three years; wounded, May 23, 1864; **died of wounds, October 29, 1864, at Salisbury, N.C., while a prisoner of war.** [ Father files December 15, 1874---not granted ] [ In Brown as Price, A.J., Pvt., A, 1st NY, 10-29-64 ]

RICHARDSON, EDWIN O.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, August 22, 1862, at Rochester; mustered in as private, Sixth Company, September 13, 1862, to serve three years.; taken, prisoner August 19, 1864, at Weldon R. R., Va.; confined at Belle Isle, Va., and Salisbury, N . C ; released, March 1, 1865; mustered out, June 28, 1865, at Rochester, N. Y . [ Files as invalid in December 1879 ]

RUSSELL, GEORGE W.—Age, 26 years. Enlisted, August 23, 1862, at Ellery ; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; promoted corporal, December 1, 1862; sergeant, April 4, 1864; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled, March, 1865; mustered out, June 16, 1865, at Elmira, N . Y . [ Testifies to the death of Jerome Southwick. Died February 13, 1903 ]

RYTHER, CARMIL.—Age, 20 years. Enlisted, August 19, 1863, at Dunkirk; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, August 19, 1863, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; confined at Richmond, V a . , and Salisbury, N . C ; paroled, February 28, 1865; transferred to Eighth Company, May 26-, 1865, from which mustered out, August 2, 1865, at Elmira, N . Y . [ Died 1907 ]

SAUL, JAMES H.—Age, 21 years. Enlisted, August 30, 1862, at Buffalo; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, September 3, 1862, to serve three years; captured at Weldon R. B., V a . , August 19, 1864; confined at Salisbury, N , C ; released at

N. E. Bridge, N.C., March 3, 1865; mustered out, June 20, 1865, at Annapolis, M d . ; also borne as James M. [ Died February 1, 1911 ]

SMITH, CHAUNCY D.—Age, 23 years. Enlisted, October 11, 1862, at Chatham; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, January 22, 1863, to serve three years; mustered out with detachment, June 14, 1865, at Annapolis, Md. [ Appears to have died around June 1880 ]

SOUTHWICK, JEROME B.—Age, 32 years. Enlisted, August 13, 1862, at Ellicott ; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; no further record. [ 56 pp. at [www.fold3.com](http://www.fold3.com) Died somewhere on the way to exchange at Goldsboro, NC or near or at Fort Monroe, VA, on March 15-20, 1865 as a paroled prisoner. Left widow and three minor children. The case took two years to settle. ]

SUTHERLAND, FENNA F.—Age, 24 years. Enlisted, October 20, 1862, at Chatham; mustered in as private, Eighth Company, January 22, 1863, to serve three years; died, January 25, 1865, at Salisbury, N . C , while a prisoner of war; also borne as Finner F. [ 2 pages at [www.fold3.com](http://www.fold3.com) ] NOT found in Brown, but mentioned in George Anderson Lawrence diary in John Bennet's book, No Word of Them: First Battalion New York Sharpshooters, 1862-1865 (lulu.com, 2007) ]

WAITH , GEORGE.—Age, 33 years. Enlisted, August 30, 1862, at Ellington; mustered in as sergeant, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; promoted first sergeant, April 4, 1864; mustered in as **second lieutenant**, to date April 24, 1864; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled, October 8, 1864; mustered out with company, June 3, 1865, near Washington, D. C.; commissioned second lieutenant, July 20, 1864, with rank from A p r i l 24, 1864, vice Pickard, promoted. [ Filed as an invalid in July 1890 ]

WARD, LOREN.—Age, 25 years. Enlisted, August 28, 1862, at Carroll; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; captured, August 19, 1864; exchanged in March, 1865; died in - April, 1865, at Freehold, Pa., while on furlough. [ 33 pp. at [www.fold3.com](http://www.fold3.com) Mother receives pension February 6, 1868. Died April 3, 1865. Testimony states he was at Salisbury prison. Doctor attributed death to prison experiences. ]

WHEAT, BENJAMIN A.—Age, 34 years. Enlisted, August 27, 1862, at Gerry; mustered in as corporal, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; reduced, prior to A p r i l 10, 1863; discharged for disability, February 8, 1865, at Armory Square Hospital, Washington, D. C. [ Died around April 1907? ]

WOOD, HENRY H.—Age, 30 years. Enlisted, August 13, 1862, at Kiantone; mustered in as private, Seventh Company, September 12, 1862, to serve three years; promoted corporal, August 1, 1863; captured, August 19, 1864; paroled in March, 1865; mustered out, June 7, 1865, at Elmira, N. Y . [ Died March 8, 1914 at Frewsburg, NY ]

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53 names: 3 officers and 50 enlisted men, of whom 16 died in (or of) imprisonment, primarily at Salisbury, NC.

Official Records and Phisterer counts the missing as 3 officers and 50 enlisted men.

The Official Records states that they "...were captured entire..." [ OR1, Vol. XLII, part 1, pp.534-536: General Edward S. Bragg report of September 5, 1864] Depositions state that the soldiers were put into Libby Prison in Richmond for a few days and then moved to Belle Island for around six weeks and then moved to Salisbury. This study remains inconclusive for now. There are some assumptions in these numbers, such as those who were mustered out at hospitals in early to mid-1865. *Not all who were captured are mentioned in the NYSAG rosters as being captured.* The most prominent example here is that of Alonzo Moon. I will be the first to admit that there is more "educated guesswork " here than I would like (but the numbers come out pretty well).

In other studies like this where the names/numbers are more reliable and backed by a newspaper list, for example, Weldon RR. and Reams Station captives died at around 50%, give or take a few points. I am counting, as well, those who died in transit to release points or at Union hospitals at Annapolis or Wilmington, and many more, as well as those who died as paroled prisoners on furlough at their homes in the North, if there is some evidence they died of complications from captivity. Some might cry "fowl" but the fact remains that if you were injured at Main and Broad and stumbled to Main and Second where you died, the cause of your death started at Main and Broad. That's how I see it.

Strictly counting, 11 of the 16 dead here died at Salisbury prison. Counting as above, however, makes the numbers 32% who died overall. Salisbury only equals 22% dead.

The last figures I saw for Salisbury overall was 28% in a sidebar article in *America's Civil War* magazine, June 2014. I have watched the numbers creep ever upwards over ten years now.

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