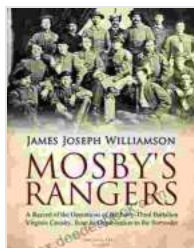


Record of the Operations of the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry from its Organization in 1861 to the Close of the War, 1865

The 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry was a Confederate cavalry unit that fought in the American Civil War. The battalion was organized in 1861 and served in various theaters of the war, including the Shenandoah Valley, the Carolinas, and Georgia. The battalion was disbanded in 1865 after the surrender of the Confederate Army.

This article provides a detailed history of the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry, from its organization to its disbandment. The article includes information on the battalion's commanders, its major battles, and its overall performance during the war.



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Organization

The 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry was organized in August 1861 in Wythe County, Virginia. The battalion was initially composed of five companies, each of which was raised in a different county in southwest Virginia. The battalion's first commander was Colonel William E. Jones, a former officer in the United States Army.

Major Battles

The 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry participated in a number of major battles during the Civil War, including the Battle of Gettysburg, the Battle of Chickamauga, and the Battle of Bentonville. The battalion also participated in numerous skirmishes and raids throughout the war.

At the Battle of Gettysburg, the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry was part of General J.E.B. Stuart's cavalry division. The battalion fought in the battle's second day, July 2, 1863. The battalion charged into the Union lines and helped to drive back the Union cavalry. However, the battalion was unable to break through the Union lines and was forced to retreat.

At the Battle of Chickamauga, the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry was part of General Nathan Bedford Forrest's cavalry corps. The battalion fought in the battle's second day, September 20, 1863. The battalion helped to drive back the Union cavalry and capture several Union artillery pieces.

At the Battle of Bentonville, the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry was part of General Joseph Wheeler's cavalry corps. The battalion fought in the battle's second day, March 19, 1865. The battalion helped to drive back the Union cavalry and capture several Union artillery pieces.

Overall Performance

The 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry was a well-respected unit in the Confederate Army. The battalion was known for its courage and determination in battle. The battalion also had a reputation for being well-disciplined and well-trained.

The 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry played a significant role in the Confederate Army's efforts to win the Civil War. The battalion fought in a number of major battles and played a key role in several Confederate victories. The battalion also helped to harass Union supply lines and disrupt Union communications.

Disbandment

The 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry was disbanded in May 1865 after the surrender of the Confederate Army. The battalion's officers and men were paroled and allowed to return to their homes.

Many of the battalion's veterans went on to serve in the postwar era. Some veterans became farmers, while others became businessmen or politicians. The battalion's legacy continues to be honored today by the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

The 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry was a brave and determined unit that fought for the Confederate cause in the Civil War. The battalion fought in a number of major battles and played a key role in several Confederate victories. The battalion's legacy continues to be honored today by the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Appendix

The following is a list of the commanders of the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry:

* Colonel William E. Jones (August 1861 - December 1861) * Lieutenant Colonel James W. Sweeney (December 1861 - March 1862) * Major Robert S. Greenlee (March 1862 - September 1862) * Lieutenant Colonel John S. McNeill (September 1862 - December 1863) * Major John C. Higginbotham (December 1863 - January 1864) * Major Robert S. Greenlee (January 1864 - April 1865) * Captain William R. Myers (April 1865 - May 1865)

The following is a list of the major battles in which the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry participated:

* Battle of Gettysburg (July 1-3, 1863) * Battle of Chickamauga (September 19-20, 1863) * Battle of Bentonville (March 19-21, 1865)

The following is a list of the counties in which the companies of the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry were raised:

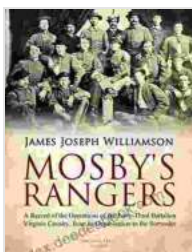
* Wythe County * Smyth County * Bland County * Giles County * Craig County

The following is a list of the members of the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry who were awarded the Confederate Medal of Honor:

* Private John A. Elliott * Private William H. Elliott * Private James M. Greer * Private John W. Hale * Private William H. Johnson * Private John W. Martin * Private William H. Miller * Private John W. Reynolds * Private William H. Smith * Private Samuel W. Walters

The following is a list of the members of the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry who were killed in action:

* Private Joseph W. Adkins * Private William S. Adkins * Private John H. Altizer * Private William A. Anderson * Private John W. Austin * Private James M. Bailey * Private David W. Baker * Private John A. Baldwin * Private William A. Baldwin * Private Samuel H. Bane * Private Samuel A. Barnhart * Private Joseph W. Barrow * Private John W. Bell * Private Robert A. Bell * Private James M. Bennett * Private Jesse W. Berry * Private John W. Berry * Private Thomas W. Berry * Private William L. Berry * Private Andrew J. Bird * Private William A. Bird * Private Charles W. Bishop * Private Henry A. Bishop * Private James H. Bishop * Private Joseph A. Bishop * Private William A. Bishop * Private William R. Bishop * Private Andrew J. Blankenship * Private Edward K. Blankenship * Private George W. Blankenship * Private John W. Blankenship * Private Marion K. Blankenship * Private Thomas J. Blankenship * Private William A. Blankenship * Private William L. Blankenship * Private Joseph W. Bly * Private William W. Bly * Private Andrew J. Bohannon * Private George W. Bohannon * Private John A. Bohannon * Private Joseph A. Bohannon * Private Robert A. Bohannon * Private William A



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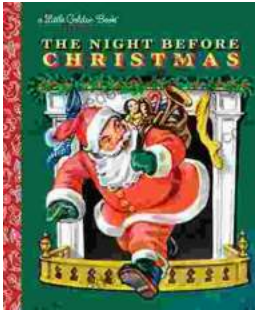
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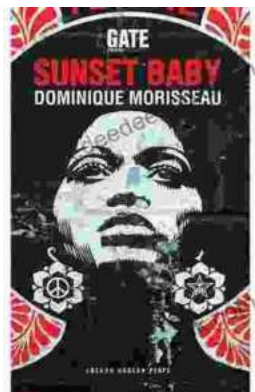
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