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Site of the Civil War Battle of Bulltown



On October 13, 1863, the Battle of Bulltown occurred near the Union trenches. This skirmish lasted only twelve hours. The Confederate forces were led by Colonel William L. Jackson (a native of Lewis County, Virginia — now West Virginia — and first cousin of “Stonewall” Jackson). The Confederates attacked the Union forces at 4:30 am. The Union forces, led by Captain Mattingly, repelled the attack on their fortifications and the battle finally ended about 4:30 pm. There were apparently casualties on both sides, and one civilian casualty — Moses Cunningham — who ran out of his farmhouse into the line of fire and shouted “Hurrah for Jeff Davis.” He was clipped by a bullet but recovered.

