



 April 15 President Abraham Lincoln calls for volunteers to suppress "insurrection April 17 Virginia secedes • April 19 Baltimore Riots • April 27 Lincoln suspends writ of habeas corpus in parts of Marylan

June 10 Battle of Big Bethel, Va.

July 21 First Battle of Manassas, Va.

-- September 12–17 Federal government arrests "disloyal" Md. legislators

• October 21 Battle of Ball's Bluff, Va.

**CAMPAIGN Antietam National Battlefield** General Robert E. Lee January 11—March 14 Burnside Expedition, N.C. • September 4–19 Antietam Campaign, Va., Md., W.Va. • February 8 Battle of Roanoke Island, N.C. • September 14 Battle of South Mountain, Md. September 17 Battle of Antietam, Md. March 14 Battle of New Bern, N.C

March 23-June 9 Jackson's Shenandoah Valley Campaign, Va.

June 26-July 1 Seven Days' Battles, Va.

April 4—June 25 Peninsula Campaign, Va.

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May 1—3 Battle of Chancellorsville, Va.

May 10 Death of Stonewall Jackson, Va.

June 9 Battle of Brandy Station, Va

June 10—July 14 Gettysburg Campaign, Va., Md., Pa.

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July 1-3 Battle of Gettysburg, Pa.

Lt. Col. Charles L. Chandler rallying the 57th Massachusetts Infantry at Ox Ford, May 24, 1864. Paintin Trevilian Station General Ulysses S. Grant 🜟 Campaign Site Timothy O'Sullivan photograph Driving Route of a Union high command meeting Information or at Massaponax Church. Grant is **Welcome Center** leaning over a church pew conferring with his commanders. → May 4—June 20 Overland Campaign, Va. May 5—6 Battle of the Wilderness, Va. •—• May 8–19 Battle of Spotsylvania Court House, Va.

May 31—June 12 Battle of Cold Harbor, Va • June 15 Siege of Petersburg begins, Va.

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Wilson-Kautz Raid Information or **Welcome Center** • January 15 Surrender of Fort Fisher, N.C. February 1—April 26 Sherman's Carolinas Campaign, S.C. and N.C. March 19—21 Battle of Bentonville, N.C. April 1 Battle of Five Forks, Va. April 2—3 Fall of Petersburg and Richmond, Va., Lee's Retreat Begins, Va. • April 6 Battle of Sailor's Creek, Va.

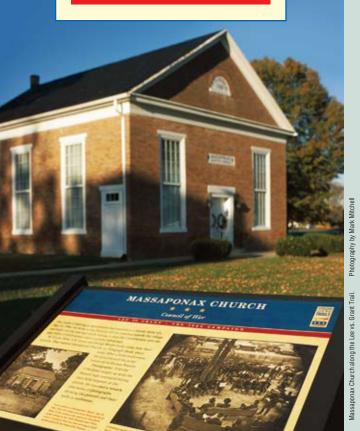
Surrender of Gen. Richard S. Ewell's Corps

at Sailor's Creek, by Alfred R. Waud.

 April 9 Robert E. Lee surrenders at Appomattox Court House, Va. April 10 Last Confederate Cabinet Meeting, Danville, Va. • April 14 John Wilkes Booth assassinates President Abraham Lincoln, flees through Southern Maryland • April 26 Gen. Joseph E. Johnston surrenders near Durham, N.C. • April 26 John Wilkes Booth killed near Port Royal, Va. Follow this sign to discover

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## WAR IN THE MID-ATLANTIC \* \* \* \* \*

August 28—30 Second Battle of Manassas, Va

• August 8 Battle of Cedar Mountain, Va.

hroughout the Civil War, the proximity of the national capitals of Washington, D.C., and Richmond, Virginia, made the Eastern Seaboard a center of military activity. Union blood was first shed in the Baltimore Riots of April 19, 1861, and some of the last Confederate casualties fell just before Gen. Joseph E. Johnston surrendered in North Carolina on April 26,1865. During those four years, the earth of Virginia, Maryland, and North Carolina became the bloodiest in America, as the war swept through again and again.

> Caught between Virginia, which seceded Chesapeake Bay. The state did not secede.

'Attack on the Massachusetts 6th at Baltimore, April 19th, 1861" Drawn by William Bomberger and engraved by George E. Perine.

in April 1861, and Maryland, which was leaning toward secession, President Abraham Lincoln simply had to keep Maryland in the Union. After secessionists fueled the Baltimore Riots by attacking Massachusetts troops en route to Washington, D.C., Lincoln declared martial law, suspended habeas corpus in certain areas, and imprisoned Maryland Confederates. The state remained strongly Unionist in the west while southeastern Maryland became a secessionist hotbed of spies and smugglers along the

• March 9 Battle of Hampton Roads (Monitor vs. Virginia), Va.

In Virginia, Confederate President Jefferson Davis directed a defensive war at first. When U.S. forces marched into northern Virginia to attack Manassas Junction in July

1861, the result was a stunning Confederate victory. The Federals fared better along the northeastern coast of North Carolina, which Gen. Ambrose E. Burnside secured despite resistance from Confederate gunboats and land forces.

Gen. George B. McClellan led a massive U.S. army up the Peninsula against Richmond in the spring of 1862, but Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee repulsed it near the city limits in the Seven Days' Battles in June. In the Shenandoah Valley, meanwhile, Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson defeated several Union armies before joining Lee at Richmond, Together. the generals marched north and bested another Union force under Gen. John Pope at the Second Battle of Manassas in August. Lee then invaded Western Maryland, hoping to rally Confederate support, resupply his army, and gain foreign recognition for the Confederacy. His hopes were dashed at Antietam Creek on September 17, 1862, the bloodiest day in American history, and he retreated to Virginia.

In 1863, following Lee's victory at Chancellorsville in May, he again marched north through the Shenandoah Valley, the avenue of invasion. This time he reached Pennsylvania and confronted Union Gen. George G. Meade's army at Gettysburg. Once again the Confederate tide was turned back. In Maryland and Virginia, freed and escaped slaves flocked to the Union colors and joined regiments of United States Colored Troops (USCTs). At least 60 percent of Virginia's adult male slaves fled before the war ended.

In the spring of 1864, Union commander-in-chief Gen. Ulysses S. Grant launched simultaneous attacks against the Confederates throughout the South. He accompanied Meade's army in Virginia during the bloody Overland Campaign battles of the Wilderness, Spotsylvania Court House, and Cold Harbor, maneuvering Lee ever closer to Richmond and



Nineteenth-century print by Kurz & Allison

finally besieging him in the capital and at Petersburg. The USCTs fought valiantly in several battles, especially the Battle of the Crater in Petersburg and the Battle of New Market Heights east of Richmond. Fourteen black soldiers received Medals of Honor for their bravery in the latter engagement. In mid-1864, Union Gen. Philip H.

Sheridan led a railroad raid to Trevilian Station, and Gens. James H. Wilson and August V. Kautz tore up tracks in Southside Virginia but failed to burn the Staunton River Bridge. In the Shenandoah Valley, a succession of Union commanders pressed Confederate forces and laid waste to the 'Breadbasket of the Confederacy." Federal Gen. David Hunter burned Virginia Military

Institute in Lexington and then marched on Lynchburg, where Gen. Jubal A. Early turned him back. Early then marched north through the Valley and attacked the defenses of Washington, D.C. Eventually Sheridan swept the Shenandoah clear of Confederates. In southwestern Virginia. eastern Tennessee, and western North Carolina. Union cavalry raided saltworks and railroads. Gen. William T. Sherman, in the Deep South, first captured Atlanta and then marched to the sea. occupying Savannah. Next, the Carolinas, South and North, felt the weight of Sherman's boot early in 1865. Fort Fisher, the "Gibraltar of the South" that protected the blockade-running capital of Wilmington, North Carolina, fell in mid-January, cutting the supply lifeline to Lee in Virginia.

December 13 Battle of Fredericksburg, Va

westward around Petersburg until they finally broke at Five Forks on April 1, 1865, a week and a half after Sherman had almost crushed Johnston at Bentonville, North Carolina. Lee evacuated Petersburg and Richmond and marched his dwindling army west, hoping to turn south and join Johnston. Grant blocked his way, however, and cornered him at Appomattox Court House, where Lee surrendered on April 9. The Confederate government fled south through North Carolina. In Washington, Lincoln planned for the swift reunion of North and South, but John Wilkes Booth altered the path of reconciliation on April 14 at Ford's Theater. The assassin escaped the capital and fled through Southern Maryland to Virginia, where he was shot and killed on April 26. On that same day, at Bennett Place near Raleigh, North Carolina, Johnston surrendered to Sherman, essentially ending the Civil War.

Grant, meanwhile, forced Lee's lines

At Appomattox, Va., on April 9, 1865, Robert E. Lee. commanding general of the Army of Northern Virginia, surrendered his men to Ulysses S. Grant and the Armies of the Potomac and the James. Painting by Louis Guillaume, 1867.



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