

Situation Report:

12th June 1864

The Army of Northern Virginia have just fought the Union Army of the Potomac to a stop at the epic series of battles at Cold Harbor. Around Richmond federal forces are closing in on Mechanicsville, Williamsburg & Petersburg. Phil Sheridan's cavalry are in and around Charlottesville, Crook's Army of the Kanawha is at Mount Jackson and Dave Hunter's forces are at Staunton, laying waste to the whole area – things don't look too good.

On the plus side Bevington's Corps is currently located at Lynchburg, a key Confederate supply depot, with a view to hold off attacks from Staunton and Wade Hampton at the lead of the Cavalry Corps is holding off Sheridan's cavalry and proving himself to be as good a cavalry commander as his predecessor – JEB Stuart.

Your orders from General Lee are as follows:

“ ... secure Lynchburg, drive Hunter from the Valley and secure it's supplies for the Army of Northern Virginia, if possible travel north to threaten Washington in order to draw off Federal forces from the siege of Richmond”.