



Survivors of the Charge of the Light Brigade, in 1855, photo by Roger Fenton

A Crimean Hero

A few days ago, a resident casually observed to a friend, "Seventy years ago today on the 13th July, I joined the Army." The veteran who uttered these words was Elijah Jones. While in the Army he fought in the Crimea, also in the Indian Mutiny. Although in his 88th year, the old soldier is still hale, and often walks into Melksham and back. He told his friend he had just enjoyed a little stroll of about seven miles. Our congratulations: may he live many years yet.

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