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External Source:

"36th Battalion, Virginia Cavalry", National Park Services' Civil War Databases, <https://www.nps.gov/civilwar/search-battle-units-detail.htm?battleUnitCode=CVA0036BC>

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