

VOLUNTEER BATTALIONS OF

THE ROYAL FUSILIERS (THE CITY OF LONDON REGIMENT)

1859 - 1908



Incorporating
The Volunteer Decoration Roll
and
The Volunteer Long Service Medal Roll

"Remembrance sweetly awakes – And the past lives o'er again"

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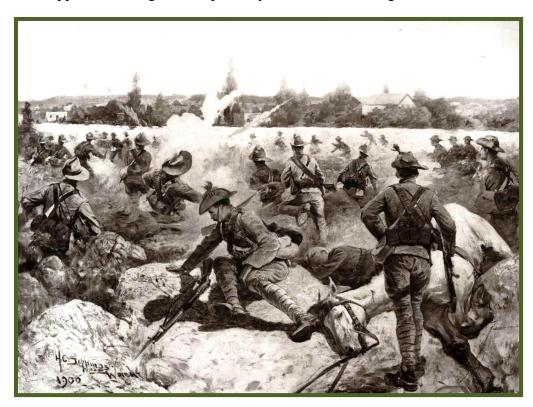


The Volunteer movement in Middlesex got off to a flying start in 1859 and 1860 with virtually every parish (Boroughs did not exist before 1900) raising or offering to raise a Volunteer Corps. Notable patrons from the parishes lent their names, and gave their money in support. Many smaller corps did not survive beyond the 1860's and were either abandoned or merged into larger neighbouring corps. There were many and varied changes over the next thirty or so years as Government reluctance to support the scheme turned into acceptance. As the volunteer became better trained in the soldierly art the government had to accept that he was a worthwhile addition to the armed services. Of course if the government was going to spend money, it had to take control and it provided arms and ammunition and certain clothing and necessaries.

The Anglo-Boer War 1899-1902

Such was the poor condition of the standing army of 1900 in the first year at war with the Boers, that The City of London raised and equipped the City of London Volunteers which was composed of Artillery, Engineer and Rifle Volunteers from the City and the Metropolis. The C.I.V. saw action in South Africa in support of the regular army, and each participating volunteer corps was awarded the Battle Honour "South Africa 1900"

A total of forty three NCO's and men served in the C.I.V. in 'G' Company under Capt A.A. Howell, 3rd.Volunteer Battalion, and saw action at Jacobsdaal, Diamond Hill and minor operations in support of the regular troops. They arrived back in England in October 1900.



The C.I.V in action at Jacobsdaal February 1900

Members of the 1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} Volunteer Battalions served in this conflict with The City of London Imperial Volunteers, The Imperial Yeomanry and Volunteer Service Companies attached to the 2^{nd} Battalion Royal Fusiliers.

The 1st. (Volunteer) Service Company was composed of men from all three Volunteer Battalions and sailed in HMT Devon in April 1900 and upon arrival in South Africa proceeded to Fourteen Streams where they joined the 2nd.Bn Royal Fusiliers. One of their earliest tasks was to support the Mafeking Relief Force and they took part in the forced march from Taungs to Vryburg, covering a distance of forty four miles in thirty two hours. Afterwards they occupied in turn, Lichtenburg, Ventersdorp, Potchefstroom and Klerksdorp. Thence they marched via Johannesburg to Pretoria, which they reached on June 30th. They were reviewed on July 2nd by Lord Roberts who promptly sent them to reinforce General Hutton. Under him they took part in the operations SE of Pretoria, including the escort of a convoy by night to Springs and a forced march to Pretoria – seventy two miles in as many hours. Subsequently to this they were employed in building fortified posts (blockhouses) on the Magaliesburg for the defence of Pretoria, and took part in the operations to the NE of that town, under General Ian Hamilton. After the eastern advance under Lord Roberts they built Mill Fort at Bronkhurst Spruit, and having parted company with the rest of the battalion in October fortified a post near Germiston for the defence of the mines. While under the command of General Bullock at Serfontein Camp in the Orange River Colony, twenty three NCO's and men transferred to the Volunteer Mounted Infantry Company (not be confused with the Imperial Yeomanry). The Volunteer Service Company encamped at Rooderval Spruit by December, and for the rest of its service was employed in the defence of the camp and certain posts on the railway line against frequent night attacks. It was relieved on May 1st.1901 by the 2nd Volunteer Service Company and sailed home on board the Avondale Castle on the 16th. having obtained a high report from the officer commanding the 2nd Bn. Royal Fusiliers, Colonel Donald. The total casualties were one killed, two wounded and thirteen from disease.

ROYAL FUSILIER VOLUNTEERS SERIVING WITH THE CITY IMPERIAL VOLUNTEERS and THE VOLUNTEER SERVICE CONTINGENTS

1ST VOLUNTEER BN.

CAPTAINS H G McK. REW, E G MERCER, A A LYSLE and B D BYFIELD.
GODLEY, 1536 C-SGT William (Permanent Staff Pay Sgt) late of 1st Bn RF) CIV
MIDY, 480 PTE Louis CIV and 5th Bn Royal Fusiliers 1901-02
PIGOU, 474 PTE H J CIV
STEELE, 478 PTE M C CIV
TURLEY, 475 PTE W W CIV
VIVIAN, 477 PTE E J C CIV
WEBB, 479 PTE H G CIV
WELLER, 482 L-CPL F CIV
WHYNTIE, 476 PTE J J CIV
WILLIAMS, 473 PTE W F H CIV

2nd. VOLUNTEER BN.

FREIEDBERGER,, MAJOR W.S.

ADAMS, Pte W J 8946 1st Volunteer Service Coy. RF Died 7.7.1900

DEXTER, Pte J 9003 1st Volunteer Service Coy. RF Died 3.7.1900

DORAN, 542 L-CPL A C CIV

FORSTER, Pte T 8929 1st Volunteer Service Coy. RF Died 25.1.1901

FREEMAN, Pte W E 8934 1st Volunteer Service Coy. RF Died 2.2.1901

JOHNSTON, 545 PTE C CIV

JOHNSON, 541 PTE W G CIV

JONES, 544 PTE H W CIV

LANE, Cpl A H 8944 1st Volunteer Service Coy. RF Died 12.7.1900

MARCH, Pte CP 8937 1st Volunteer Service Coy. RF Died 9.6.1900

NORRIS, Pte A E 8901 1st Volunteer Service Coy. RF Died 24.6.1901

PHILLIPS, 543 C J CIV

SENDALL, 549 PTE A P CIV

STEENER, 540 PTE A E CIV

TUCKER, Pte W 8910 1st Volunteer Service Coy. RF Died 7.10.1900

WALTERS, 539 PTE Thomas Edward CIV Wounded severely in the right breast at Diamond Hill 11.6.1900:

Discharged medically unfit 31.12.1900: later Died of wounds



2ND VOLUNIEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS (CITY OF LONDON REGIMENT)—C.I.V.

First Row — Private A. E. Stenner; Lance-Corporal A. Sendall; Private A. C. Doran; Private H. W. Jones; Private C. J. Phillip
Second Row.—Co.poral C. Johnston; Sergt, W. G. Johnstone; Lance-Corporal T. E. Walters.

3rd. VOLUNTEER BN.

HOWELL, CAPT A A Commanding 'G' Company CIV Infantry

REILLY, LT W.E.

ALDER, 1478 SGT E J CIV

ARCHBALD, 155 PTE J F CIV

BAWDEN, 1450 PTE H J CIV

BENNETT, 156 PTE W CIV

BOTT, 158 PTE A E CIV

BOWDEN, 154 PTE H I CIV

BOYES, 157 PTE E CIV

BRYANT, 151 PTE H S CIV

COLEMAN, 150 PTE ME CIV

CORDON, 146 PTE G R CIV

CUNNINGTON, 153 PTE H W CIV

DOWSE, 161 PTE W J CIV

GALLON, 137 PTE J CIV

GIBBS, 152 PTE W J CIV

GRUNDY, 1542 C-SGT A E (Permanent Staff) CIV

HOLMES, 149 PTE G E CIV

JACOBS, 148 PTE I CIV

LAMBARD, 145 PTE C CIV

LYNCH, 142 PTE C CIV

MENTZ, 140 PTE SYDNEY VAN ${f CIV}$

PALMER, 141 PTE G CIV

PEARCE, 144 L-CPL R R CIV

SARGENT, 159 L-CPL F R CIV

SEMPER, 143 PTE W CIV

SMITH, 139 PTE R E CIV

STARR, 138 PTE Walter John CIV and Imperial Yeomanry 1901-02

THOMAS, 160 CPL F W CIV

TUSSLER, 136 PTE H W CIV

WARREN, 147 PTE T CIV

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In 1908 the Volunteer Corps became The Territorial Force, and its members were invited to join the new organisation. Many men declined as they saw volunteering as their duty, and would not accept payment (Bounty) for attendance to drills. The Territorial Force came into its own during the Great War 1914-19 when its battalions covered themselves in glory whilst serving with the Colours.

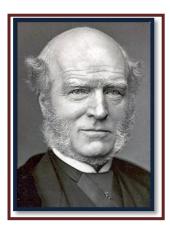
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The following units started out life as Rifle Volunteers and within 30 years had become affiliated to the Royal Fusiliers (The City of London Regiment) and were destined to add yet more laurels to the records of that already illustrious regiment.

My Sincere Thanks to
Maj (Rtd) J M A Tamplin MBE TD
Ray Westlake
Mike and Linda Jackson

1st. VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS (THE CITY OF LONDON REGIMENT)

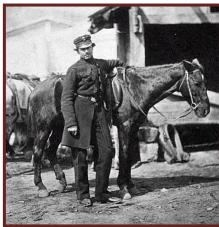
Raised as The 19th.Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps with authority date 13th.December 1859 by Thomas Hughes and other members of the Working Men's College, 45 Great Ormond Street, NW. The Working Men's College originated as an evening school from 8-10pm. Thomas Hughes was a friend of the Principal and raised the idea of a Volunteer Corps with other teachers including Dr F.J. Furnival. Philip Read offered his services as Sgt Major/Drill Instructor. Having received official approval from the Lord Lieutenant of Middlesex, Thomas Hughes was gazetted Captain Commandant on 13th. December 1859, and the first muster was taken on 18th February 1860. Three Companies were formed; No1. Capt John Martineau; No.2 Capt John Roebuck; No.3 Capt F J Furnival.



Thomas Hughes QC MP

Author of Tom Brown's Schooldays. Founding member of the 19th.Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps. Resigned 1860

Member of Parliament for Lambeth, and later Frome. Member of The Royal Commission on Labour . Promoted Lieutenant Colonel in 1864, and Hon.Colonel May 1869. His daughter lost her life when Titanic sank in 1912. She was en-route to Tennessee where Hughes had purchased 350,000 acres. This land now the small settlement of Rugby West of Oneida. It contains a museum to Thomas Hughes and the original building are preserved.



Captain Peter James Bathhurst, Grenadier Guards

Commanded 5th Brigade of British German Legion in the Crimea Late Lt Colonel, 19th.Middx VRC. Succeeded Thomas Hughes in command of the corps in 1860.



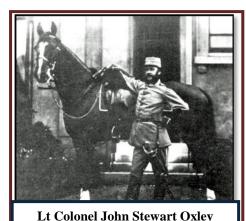
Major & Adjt Philip Reed DCM VD

Enrolled in 19th Middx.RVC as Sgt Major Late 2418 Pay-Master Sgt 33rd.Regt. Awarded Distinguished Conduct Medal 9.2.1855 and French Medaille Militaire .Seriously wounded at The Redan Civilian Occupation Telegraph Clerk Buckingham Palace Appointed Adjutant September 1860 Retired Major & Adjutant 1885



The uniform adopted by the 19th.Middx.- grey with scarlet facings. The grey shako was at first adorned with a cock's feather plume. On 1st.February 1860 Lt. Colonel James Peter Bathhurst, late Coldstream Guards, was gazetted to command the corps .By 1862 a 4th.Company had been raised , followed by six more : No.4 Capt Hantler; No.5 (Price's Candle Works, Battersea) Lieut. Woodham; No.6 (St. Luke's Westminster) Capt. Williams; No.7 (St. Anne's Westminster) Capt. McDonnell; No.8 (Paddington) Capt. Robins; No.9 (St. John's Institute, Cleveland Street W) Capt. Shaen; No.10 (Paddington). In 1862 HQ was removed to the Appollonicum Hall, St. Martin's Lane W.C.

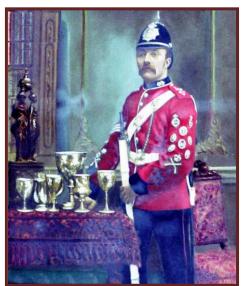
May 26th.1869 Lt Col Bathurst resigned and was succeeded in command by Lt Colonel John Stewart Oxley, who commanded the battalion until his death in 1881.



In 1871 the HQ was removed to 33 Fitzroy Square W., drill was still carried out in the grounds of the London University, and in 1878 the uniform was changed from grey to scarlet with the adoption of the Home Service Pattern helmet. The helmet plate was the seven point star surmounted by a crown. Within a Garter belt was the battalion title, and in the centre a stringed bugle horn.

A change in designation within the Metropolitan Corps came into effect in 1880 when the 19th. Middlesex RVC was renumbered 10th.Middlesex RV, and affiliated to the King's Royal Rifle Corps,

although no change in designation or uniform took place.. The headdress remained the same as for the 19th with the number 10 in place of 19. In General Order 99 July 1883 the 10th.Middlesex were transferred to The Royal Fusiliers (The City of London Regiment) as its 1st.Volunteer Battalion. The uniform was changed with immediate effect to that of the parent regiment, of scarlet with royal blue facings, although the helmet was retained as the headdress until the nights of 10th and 12th April 1889 when, it was replaced by the Fusilier busby, having been approved by HRH The Commander-In-Chief.



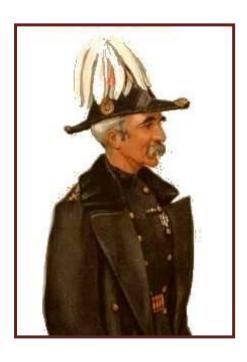
SGT. JAMES JOSEPH CHANTLER

A candle maker at Price's Candle Works, Battersea 3609 E (Battersea Company) 1st. Volunteer Bn:
Prolific shooting prize winner
Was best shot of the battalion 19 times
Volunteer Long Service Medal 1898

(RRF Collection, Balham Drill Hall)



General Sir Daniel Lysons GCB Hon Col 19th Middlesex VRC 26th.June 1880 Constable of HM Tower of London 1890-98



Major General Sir Henry Trotter GCVO Hon Colonel 1898



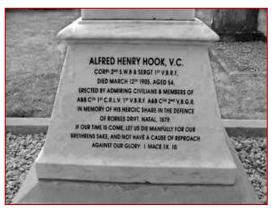
Colonel Albert John Bolton VDEnrolled into 19th.Middx.RVC in March 1860 and served in every rank until appointed
Colonel Commanding the 1st.VB in 1897
Retired 1907



Sgt Major Charles Ibbs c.1902Colour Sgt Royal Fusiliers – LSGC 1896
Permanent Staff 1st.VB
Served throughout the Great War with 1st.London
Regt. As Quarter Master & Hon Major. Awarded the
Distinguished Service Order in 1918 and twice
mentioned in Despatches.







SGT ALFRED HENRY HOOK VC

Henry Hook was awarded the Victoria Cross at Rorke's Drift 22/23rd.January 1879.Having left the army and settled in London, Hook was employed at the British Museum Library for many years, and while here he joined the 17th.North Middlesex Rifle Volunteers where he served as a Lance Corporal. He later joined the 1st.Volunteer Battalion Royal Fusiliers and served for nearly 20 years until his death in 1905.

Hook was wrongly portrayed as a "malingerer" in the film "Zulu



COLOUR SGT INSTRUCTOR WILLIAM GODLEY

1st.Bn Royal Fusiliers and Pay Sgt 1st.VB RF LSGC 1899

Served with the City Imperial Volunteers in South Africa 1900
Served on the Staff of Winston Churchill MP 1939-45
Medals & Photograph in RF Collection
Note: Not related to Pte S F Godley VC



 $Transport \ Section - 1^{st} \ Volunteer \ Battalion \ Royal \ Fusiliers \\ c. 1905 \ (RF \ Museum \ Collection)$

On 1st.April 1908 the Territorial Force came into being. The 1st.Volunteer Battalion Royal Fusiliers became The 1st (City of London Battalion) The London Regiment T.F.

2nd. VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS (THE CITY OF LONDON REGIMENT)

In December 1860 a number of meetings were held with a view to set up and organise a



Volunteer Corp in Westminster, and on 16th.April 1861 approval and recognition was received and the corps was numbered 46th.Middlesex Volunteer Rifle Corps with headquarters at 5 Victoria Street SW., removing soon after to 31 Great Smith Street SW.

Sir John Villiers Shelley was the first Commanding officer of the corps which very soon consisted of eight companies, four from the City and four from Westminster which led to the unofficial title "London & Westminster Rifle Volunteers". The uniform of the corps was of a drab grey material with green facings. The belts etc were

black, and the shako head dress was black with a green ball tuft. Officers tunics were laced with silver. The uniform remained so until 1876 when it was changed to scarlet with royal blue facings, belts and accourrements were changed to white. The shako was changed to blue with a red and white tuft and remained in wear until 1878 when exchanged for the Home Service Pattern Helmet.

In November the organisation of the battalion was reduced from eight companies to six due to a decline in recruits. Lt Col Sir John Shelley died in 1866 and his successor Major Lord Campbell and Stratheden assumed temporary command until 1873, and again in 1874. In 1877 Lt Col Sir Charles Russell VC was appointed Honorary Colonel and remained so until his death in April 1883, when he was succeeded by General (later Field Marshall) Lord Wolseley.



Sir Charles Russell VC MP Hon Colonel

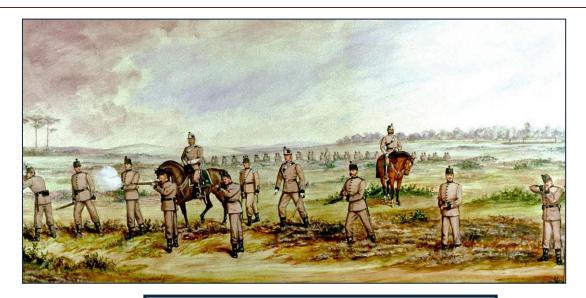




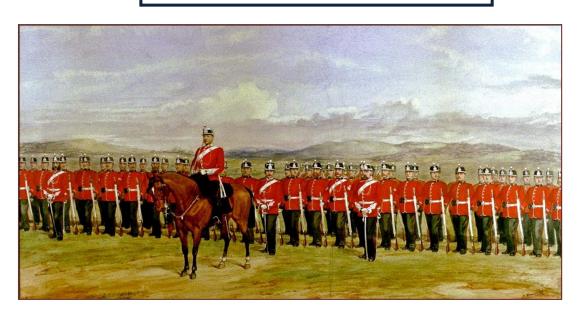
Sir Garnet Wolseley Hon Colonel

Lord Campbell and Stratheden

Lt Colonel Commanding 1866-73 and 1874-76



46th.Middlesex RVC 1861 – 1875 (RRF Collection)



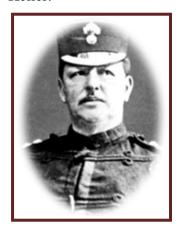
46th.Middlesex RVC 1876-1878 (RRF Collection)



2nd Volunteer Bn Royal Fusiliers c.1890

In 1880 as a result of a reorganisation of the Volunteer Force, the 46th.was renumbered 23rd.Corps and in July 1883 became the 2nd.Volunteer Battalion Royal Fusiliers (The City of London Regiment) and adopted the uniform and appointments of the Royal Fusiliers.

In 1893, after a period of seventeen years in command, and having seven of his sons serving in the battalion, Lt Col Routledge VD resigned and was succeeded by Lt Col Albert Leopold Keller.







LT COL R W ROUTLEDGE VD

LT COL A L KELLER VD

LT COL P CARLEBACH TD

Lt Col Keller VD commanded until 1906 when he was succeeded by Lt Col Carlebach. On the death of Lt Col Keller in 1907, Lt Colonel Philip Carlebach was appointed Honorary Colonel. The headquarters was now located at 9 Tufton Street SW.

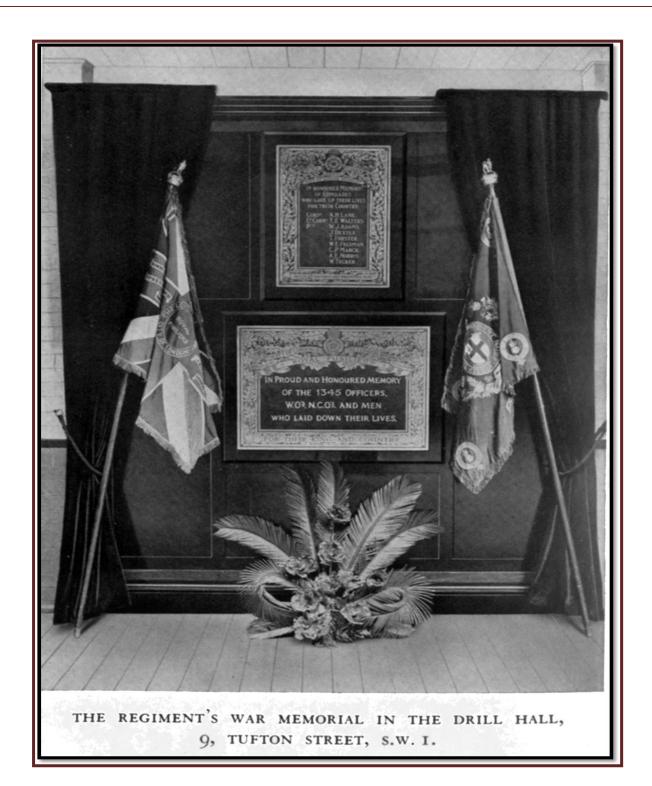




CPL. 2VB RF c.1890 (Courtesy R Westlake)

2nd.VOLUNTEER BN ROYAL FUSILIERS MACHINE GUN SECTION c.1906

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3rd. VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS

(THE CITY OF LONDON REGIMENT)



Raised as the 20th Division Middlesex Volunteer Rifle Corps with effect of 13th.December 1859, a title which was shortened to 20th Middlesex Volunteer Rifle Corps.

The corps was raised primarily from employees of the London and North Western Railway Company and the Railway Clearing House, both based in Euston Station NW. The first HQ was at 22 George Street NW. The first Capt

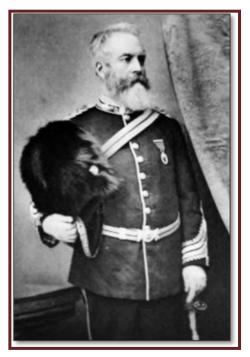
Commandant of the corps was Lt Col Thomas Edward Bigge FGS, late 23rd.Regt, and the first uniform adopted was grey with scarlet facings.

In October 1860 No 6 Company was raised from employees of Messrs. Cubitt & Co. Builders of Gray's Inn Road and commanded by Mr Plucknett. The uniform was provided at a cost of between 4 and 5gns, towards which each man was expected contribute a small sum.

A second battalion was formed when the 50th or "Bank of England Metropolitan Rifles" failed to gain official recognition. They had been proposed by Major Bowyer of the Bank of England. Bigge of the 20th seized the opportunity to enrol the men, and Major Bowyer commanded the 2nd Battalion. In January 1861 No 7. or Western Central Company was formed and in February 1861 both battalions paraded in The Working Men's Institute, Euston Road and headed by their three bands, marched down Tottenham Court Road . The 1st.Bn was reported to be 800 strong, the 2nd 400, not including the cadets who mustered nearly 300. The 20th formed part of the 4th.Administration Bn until 1861.

In 1867 HG The Duke of Sutherland was appointed Honorary Colonel of the 20th.Middx.

Lieut Colonel Bigge stood down from command in 1870 and was succeeded by Lt Colonel H C E Malet, late Grenadier Guards, although he didn't hold the position for long before being succeeded in 1873 by another Guardsman, Major Percy Mitford, albeit again, for a period of three years. It should be stressed here that any debts incurred by the running of a volunteer battalion were the responsibility of the Commanding Officer, as the Government only provided a minimum of arms and equipment. The 20th managed to keep a hold on its position in the Metropolitan District despite a regular turnover in senior officers. In 1876 Gore-Brown, late 49th. and 82nd. Regt's and an Indian Mutiny veteran, was appointed to the command. The new Commanding Officer was not an advocate of the Easter Monday Volunteer Review as he saw it as an expensive and time exercise with little or no military value to the battalion. He was not alone in his view, and he, among many other Commanding Officers, advocated that Volunteers should be allocated to Regular battalion at Easter Manoeuvres, and officers should be able to attend Schools of Military Instruction. In time, these proposals would bear fruit. In a Regimental Order of 28th. August 1880 it was announced firstly, the 20th was renumbered 11th.Midd. RVC, secondly, that HM The Queen had approved the addition of (Railway) to the title. In 1881 another change, in title only, took place when the 11th.became a Volunteer Battalion of the King's Royal Rifle Corps, and the HQ was moved to 5, Albany Street NW. In Army Order 237 of 1882, the battalion became



the 3rd. Volunteer Battalion of the Duke of Cambridge's Own (The Middlesex Regiment), again with no actual changes in uniform. In 1883, Lt Colonel Sir William Charley was appointed to the command of the battalion, and he ensured that the battalion made good use of the Volunteer Brigade System introduced in 1889. In this year the Honorary Colonel, HG The Duke of Sutherland died and was succeeded by Sir William Charley who stood down from command. He was succeeded in 1889 by the Senior Major of the battalion, now Lt Colonel, Wickendon and it was he who was a prime mover in the transition from volunteer grey to Royal Fusilier scarlet. The transition was sealed under a General Order of March 1890 whereby the 11th.Middx. became the 3rd. Volunteer Battalion Royal Fusiliers (The City of London Regiment).

Lt Colonel Sir William Charley VD

Almost simultaneously the battalion acquired larger premises for HQ at 21 Edward Street N, a few minutes walk from Albany Street Barracks where the battalion carried out drill and instruction. The financial outlay involved in all these changes had an adverse on the health of Lt Colonel Wickenden and he resigned in 1893 to be succeeded by Lt Colonel Whewell. He commanded for a little more than one year, being succeeded by Lt Col T.J. Long, who had served in the battalion for over twenty years. Long retired in 1901 to be succeeded by Lt Col T E Carey Bates. The battalion sent numerous men to serve in South Africa.



SGT ROBERT BEATTIE

Enrolled in 1887 served Malta and France, and still serving in 1928. Wearing the 1914-15 Trio, Volunteer Long Service Medal and Territorial Efficiency Medal.



Lt Colonel Thomas James Long VD





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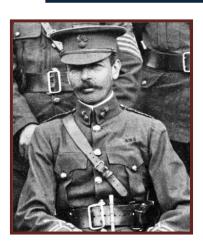




On 11th.November 1895 The Royal Rose Masonic Lodge was initiated by several members of the battalion



THE COLOURS AND REGIMENTAL SILVER $\,$ - 3^{RD} .VOLUNTEER BN and $\,$ 3^{RD} LONDON REGT TF



Captain William Ernest Rielly, R.A.M.C.(T.F.).

attached to 2/3rd London Regt
Died at the Dardanelles on November 28th, 1915.He served in the South
African War, and held the Queen's medal with four clasps. He held the rank
of honorary Lieutenant in the army and a commission as Captain in
the Territorial Force Reserve of the 3rdBattalion London Regiment from
March 27th, 1901, but was transferred to serve as Captain and medical
officer of the same battalion from September 26th. 1914.

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4th. VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS

(THE CITY OF LONDON REGIMENT)

The origins of the battalion were laid down in 1868 with the amalgamation of the 2nd and 4th.



LT COL I TYLER 4VB RF c.1906 RF Collection

Tower Hamlets Corps. The 2nd being raised in 1860 in Dalston and Hackney and commanded by Lt Col Walker until 1867 The uniform of the corps was originally Elcho grey, scarlet facings with a blue braid. The shako had a red over blue pom-pom. Leather equipment was brown..

The 4th was raised in St Leonard's, Shoreditch also in 1860, Major W F de la Rue commanding. The uniform was grey, red facings and black leather equipment. The shako was grey with a cock's feather plume, later changed for a red pom-pom. In 1865, Lt Col James Thompson assumed command until his death in 1870. In an Order dated 17th. January 1874 an amalgamation of the two corps resulted in the title 1st Tower Hamlets Rifle Volunteer Corps later to become The Tower Hamlets Rifle Volunteer Brigade. The 6th (North East London

Rifles) Tower Hamlets Corps was raised at Dalston in 1860 and in 1873-4 this corps was merged with Tower Hamlets Rifle Volunteer Brigade to make a total strength of twenty seven companies, later reduced to sixteen and headquarters was removed to Shaftsbury Street with further reduction to twelve companies. On 14th.November 1874 the uniform was changed to scarlet with approval from the War Office and the shako continued to be worn until 1878 when it was replaced by the Home Service Pattern Helmet. For drill and discipline the corps became attached to the Scots Guards in 1877; in 1889 to the Grenadier Guards, and in 1902, the Irish Guards.



Lt Col John Holt resigned from the command and was succeeded by Lt Col Mapleson who also held a commission in the Honourable Artillery Company. In 1881 the corps was allotted to the Rifle Brigade with no change in title. In 1886, Lt Gen G H Moncrieff, Scots Guards, was gazetted Honorary Colonel. Colonel Mapleson retired in 1888 to be succeeded by Col Wigram until 1890 when he in turn was succeeded by Col E T Rodney Wilde.

Colonel Wilde's tenure in command ceased in 1902 and Col Vickers-Dunfee was gazetted on 14th.February 1903.

In May 1904 became the 4th.Volunteer Battalion Royal Fusiliers (The City of London Regiment)

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THE VOLUNTEER DECORATION

Instituted on 25th. July 1892 for 20 years commissioned service in the Volunteer Force with non-commissioned service counting as half.

Oval skeletal badge in silver and gilt suspended from a plain green ribbon. Issued unnamed.

In 1908 this award was replaced by the Territorial Decoration with a different design of ribbon.

Officers in receipt of both the Volunteer Decoration and the Volunteer Long Service Medal were not permitted to wear both.

1ST.VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS

ALLNUTT, Capt & Hon Maj Alfred	1892
BOLTON, Maj & Hon Lt Col Albert John	1892
CLARK, Lt Col & Hon Col Gerard Collingwood	1892
GARDNER, Maj & Hon Lt Col Henry	1892
READ, Hon Maj & Adjutant Philip	1892
SWAIN, Capt & Hon Maj Joseph Blomeley	1892
WOODHAM, Capt & Hon Maj Rtd Kingston G.	1892
ROBERTS, Capt & Hon Maj Frederick Walter	1893 Cancelled 1896
SMITH, Bde Sgn Lt Col Samuel Parsons	1894
HOLTTUM, Qmr & Hon Capt William Henry	1899
STALLARD, Maj & Hon Lt Col Arthur Dudley	1901
ASHLEY, Capt & Hon Maj Sydney	1901
THOMPSON, Sgn Lt Col Henry George	1906

2ND VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS

CROWE, Lt Col Percy Barby Gustav Otto

COLLINS, Capt Hon Maj Rtd Robert Henry	1892
ROUTLEDGE, lt Col & Hon Col Robert Warne	1892
TAYLOR, Capt & Hon Maj Joseph H.	1892
KNIGHT, Capt & Hon Maj William Frederick	1895
BLUMENTHAL, Maj Mark Arthur	1896
KELLER, Lt Col & Hon Col Albert Leopold	1896
WILLIAMS. Capt & Hon Maj Rtd Francis Greville	1900
WOLSELEY, Hon Col FM Viscount Garnet Joseph	1903
SINGLETON, Qmr & Hon Capt Charles James	1904

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3RD VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS

CHARLEY, Hon Col Sir William	1892
HOTHAM, Hon Maj & Adjutant Rtd Richard	1892
JORDAN, Capt & Hon Maj William	1892
WICKENDEN, Lt Col & Hon Col George Thomas	1892
LONG, Lt Col Thomas James	1896
HAYWOOD, Maj Walter Robert	1899
CARPENTER, Maj John Austin	1900
ECCLES, Capt Richard John Hartley	1900
BERRIDGE, Qmr & Hon Capt Charles	1902
KINGSTON, Acting-Chaplain Rtd Rev.John LL.D	1910

4TH VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS

DUNFEE, Lt Col Commandant & Hon Col Vickers	1904
WATERHOUSE, Bde Sgn lt Col William Dakin	1904
MONCRIEFF, Hon Col Lt General George Hay	1906

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THE VOLUNTEER LONG SERVICE MEDAL

Instituted in 1894 for 20 years service in the ranks. Officers were also eligible on account of their non commissioned service. Issued un-named and suspended from a plain green ribbon. Obverse has a laurel wreath on which are superimposed four ribbons inscribed FOR LONG SERVICE IN THE VOLUNTEER FORCE

In 1908 this medal was replaced by the Territorial Efficiency Medal with a different design of ribbon.

Courtesy of Maj (Retd) J M A Tamplin MBE TD who deposited the Army Orders in the National Army Museum

$\underline{\mathbf{1}^{\text{ST}}} \ \mathbf{VOLUNTEER} \ \mathbf{BATTALION} \ \mathbf{ROYAL} \ \mathbf{FUSILIERS}$

1895

Anderson, 853 C-Sgt

Caiger, 1265 Sgt R T

Codrington, 4906 Pte R T

Coe, 368 Pte C

Dougan, 1086 Pte J

Ferris, 349 Pte S

Foice, 364 Pte G

Froome, 1274 Pte W G

Kempster, 1980 C-Sgt D J

Lee, 4051 Pte T

Millett, 80 Sgt A

Pridmore, 1832 Pte H

Rayner, 793 Pte H

Roots, 1838 Pte R

Telfer, 1290 Cpl W

1896

Barnes, 3920 Pte F G

Brett, 2549 Pte J

Coe, 367 Pte G

Cowderoy, 1085 Pte F

Hapgood, 4971 Pte W

Hooper, 5 Pte W H

Kay, 2619 Pte E

Nerney, 719 Pte W

Phelan, 15 Pte W H

Price, 2669 Sgt W H

Rowe, 2659 Sgt W

Sheppard, 1100 Pte D

Wheeler, 1977 Pte W

Witham, 342 C-Sgt J

Watson, 1326 Pte W C

1897

Carr, 3015 Pte R

Johnson, 3325 Pte W

Smith, 3989 Pte T

Thomas, 3010 Pte A

Abbott, 2728 Pte G T

Agate, 2793 Pte A.

Evans, 2365 Pte A

1898

Bell, 3185 Sgt R

Chantler, 3069 Pte J

Goman, 2964, Pte J

Hartnell, 5005 Pte H

Nash, 3776 Pte E

Read, 5733 Pte W E

Scammell, 3120 Cpl

Willmot, 3153 C-Sgt F

1899

Cotton, 3194 L-Cpl H

Matthews, 3944 C-Sgt W H

Palmer, 3956 Qr-Mr-Sgt E

Barnes 4692, Pte T

Peach, 6172 Pte H

Phillips, 3312 C-Sgt J J

Smith, 3360 Sgt AW

1900

Chandler, 3699 Pte H N

Cousins, 1839 Pte W

Moore, 3404 Pte J

Ashley, Capt & Hon Major S

Baverstock,3537 Pte J

Burnham, 3520 L-Sgt R

Collier, 4530 Pte S

Davey, 3514 Pte T

Dunkley, 3441 Pte F

Goodale, 3731 Pte H

Jones, 4543 Pte A E

Moffart, 3495 Pte S

Scott, 3538 Pte A

1901

Codrington, 3574 Pte G A

Hayes, 3586 Pte T

Hills, 3576 Pte A H

Lancaster, 5292 Sgt A W

Lawless, 3794 Pte J

Snook, 3624 C-Sgt W

Heslop. 3651 Pte T

Kemp, 4236 Pte J

Ramsay, 3578 L-Cpl J

Stephenson, 3661 Pte C

1902

Burkin, 4384 C-Sgt W

Coggins, 3835 Sgt F

Hansley, 4204 Sgt G

Howard, 3627 Pte J

Monckton, 5783 Sgt Drummer W J

Price, 3758 L-Cpl J H

Scott, 3692 Pte F

Smith, 5078 Cpl H

Waterman, 3716 Pte J

Wheeler, 3755 Cpl R

Wilson, 4876 C-Sgt E

1903

Dingley, 3863 Sgt J

Gilbert, 3848 Pte J W

Shaw, 4683 Pte T

Donovan, 3932 C-Sgt J

Isles, 4040 Pte J

Webb, 3978 Pte W J

1904

Baker, 5870 Sgt A N

Budge, 4202 Pte A F

Corneloues, 4129 C-Sgt E

Edwards, 4744 Pte C

Pratt, 4162 Sgt E W

Common, 4220 L-Cpl A C

Knight, 4815 C-Sgt H T

Ling, 4252 Pte G W

Townsend, 4234 Pte H J

Baxter, 4375 Pte D

Mooney, 4374 Sgt T

Smith, 5301 Sgt F

1905

Hillary, 4442 L-Sgt C J

Overall, 4400 C-Sgt J

1906

Ainge, 6650 Pte W P

Becker, 5443 L-Cpl F

Clampitt, 5113 Pte G

Green, 5929 Pte A E

Kersley, 4555 Pte J

Naylor, 7756 Pte A T

Seed, 4597 L-Sgt J W

Sumner, 5692 Pte J C

Wheatley, 4596 Pte J C

1907

Burns, 5713 Pte J

Jones, 4681 C-Sgt J E

Watson, 4681 C-Sgt J

Witton, 4696 Bugler E G

1908

Jackson, 4626 Pte W

Marshall, 5511 Pte H

Spennyn, 4793 Pte C

1909

Atkinson,4939 Sgt J

Banberry, 5186 Pte C E

Baker, 5448 Pte T H

Barrows, 5130 Sgt F

Basett, 5494 Pte W

Blackford, 5420 Pte H H

Crouchley, 8975 Pte A E

Faulkner, 5153 Pte P H

Florence, 5649 Pte F E

Holmes, 5193 Pte W

King, 5244 Pte A

Lane,4970 Cpl F

Levett, 5374 Pte A W

Lyons,5288 Cpl J H

May, 5377 Pte W D

Muddle, 6020 Pte J

Ruscoff, 5127 Cpl G

Seeley, 5100 Pte CR

Sheen, 5107 Pte A Shore, 5167 Pte E J

Smith, 5532 C-Sgt H

Todman, 5689 Pte W E

Wise, 6474 Pte W A

Dick, Capt & Hon Major W F

Taylor, Major C E W

1910

Denton, 7272 L-Sgt G

Dolly, 4896 L-Cpl H

Harrison, 5372 Pte J

Woodhead, 6967 Pte D

Weller, 6319 C-Sgt

2ND VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS

1895

Cormack 3337 Pte G

Easton, 2362 Pte W

Hindle, 573 Pte J H

Howell, 2372 Pte E H

Hull, 7 Pte F

Kinchen, 42 C-Sgt W

Wallder, 1025 Pte R P

Whiston, 593 Pte J

Buckland, 768 Qr-Mr-Sgt L T

Gibbons, 2098 Pte CWT

Land, 354 Pte E

Lane, 2493 Pte C L

Robertson, 108 C-Sgt A

Sharp, 40 Sgt A

Slater, Capt F

Spencer, 3120 L-Cpl H

Spencer, 580 Pte W

Hale, 118 C-Sgt W

Healey, 240 Sgt J A

Lowe, 695 C-Sgt H A

Smith, 1025 C-Sgt P M

Smith, 84 Sgt W A

Harvey, 94 Sgt F

McCarthy, 194 Pte C

Mackey, 111 Armr-Sgt

Mackey, 43 C-Sgt J T

Parfitt, 1011 Sgt Bugler

Sharpe, 2834 Cpl G T

Stebbing, 469 C-Sgt

Thornton333 Sgt T C

1896

Hamerton, 708 Sgt W

Mason, 720 Pte H

1897 Fishwick, 98 Sgt J

Beech, 1007 L-Sgt H

Bray, 878 Pte S J

Canham, 2598 Pte W

Cooper, 3121 Pte W H

Bell, 889 Pte J

Foster, C-Sgt A

1897

Nunn, 1790 Pte C

Williams, Capt & Hon Major F G

Williams, 1444 Sgt W

Morris, 852 Sgt T

Wood, 184 Pte F

1898

Cooper, 973 Sgt O T

Jerram, 966 Cpl J

Pulman, 3157 Sgt W H

Robinson, Pte J

Sewell, 2402 Pte G

Adams, 3139 Pte G

Huddlestone, 2142 Pte A E

Robertson, 1056 Sgt R J T

Yates, 2431 C-S

1899

Beckett, 1287 Pte F

Quitterton, 3589 Pte W H

Risley, 1314 Pte G

Mills, 1353 Sgt D

Barnes, 1398 C-Sgt T

Fryer, 1379 Sgt A

Marsh, 3818 Cpl C

1900

Smith, 2938 Pte J

Blyth, 2188 Pte W

Marshall, 1492 Pte W J

Maule, 2074 Pte R W

Quinlan, 1495 Pte J

Simons, 1489 Pte C E

1901

Thompson, Major W W

Hastel, 2219 Pte W J R

Power, 1618 Pte A E

Waite, 1620 C-Sgt H

Wilkie, 1602 Sgt J

Brown, 2108 C-Sgt J S

Blake, 1685 Pte A

Bright, 1655 Pte H

Hinton 2424 C-Sgt F E

1902

Arundell, 3371 Pte T

Boome, 2927 Cpl R J

Bishop, 3906 Pte T

Casemaore, 1795 C-Sgt G W

Ellis, 1843 Pte S D

Thompson, 1843 Pte W G

Bishop, 1937 C-Sgt G L

Parfitt, 1878 Sgt D A

Walton, 4639 Pte W H

Turner, 3046 Pte G C

1903

Hicks, 1948 Pte G

West, 1947 Pte W C

Baker, 1862 Pte G H

Quartermain, 3760 Pte W

Oulds, 2131 Pte W R

1904

None recorded

1905

Head, 2189 Pte C

Kirby, 2180 Pte J H

Law, 4278 Pte J

Purton, 2245 Pte W C

1906

Clover, 2399 Pte W J

Goodall, 2418 Pte T

McCarthy, 3316 Sgt J

Wright, 2577 Pte AT

1907

Luxton, 3035 Pte A E

Daniels, 3124 Pte A S

Denwick, 2694 Sgt J W

1908

Greens, 2748 Sgt A E

Nureem, 2968 C-Sgt J R

1909

Bennelick, 4606 Cpl F J

Cabburn, 2964 Sgt W J

Churcher, 3862 C-Sgt T H

Edwards, 4476 Pte W

Frakes, 3507 Sgt A J

Hammond, 3219 Pte F W

Harris, 327 Pte A E

Harris, 2829 Pte J

Johnston, 3298 Sgt C

Michales, 2990 Sgt G

Morsman, 4053 Sgt E W

O'Grady, 3103 Pte P

Petty, 3358 C-Sgt G J

Smith, 3111 Pte J W

Spiller, 2937 Pte E

Symes, 2812 Pte T

Taylor, 3904 Pte W A

Thatcher, 238 Pte J

Wallder, 3227 Pte R T

Walter, 3011 Pte W H

Williams

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1894

4724 Hall Pte W H

16 Condy Sgt J

178 Griffiths Sgt G

140 Hembrow Sgt C W

543 Parker QMS W H

203 Parish Sgt W

78 Quar Pte J

152 Rata Arm'r Sgt J

1359 Stewart Sgt G

4740 Stockley Pte J

371 Thackray Cpl J

4269 Webb Pte E

Perdue Lieut. H

1895

Eccles, Capt R J H

31 Neal Cpl.C

384 Phillps Cpl J

Dalton Major P

Robbins Major W E

1896

5293 Bannister L-Cpl C

81 Smith Pte T E

1565 Cotton C-Sgt C E

Vallatt Capt W F

Haywood Major W R

1897

2063 Cox Sgt W H

2252 Willis C-Sgt

1764 Wright Cpl W

Berridge Quartermaster & Hon Capt.C

1898

1820 Corner Pte Charles

1832 Flagg Pte G S

1887 Smith C-Sgt A J

4741 Fisher C-Sgt A

Carpenter Captain J A

1899

2096 Chase Pte A W

1900

4804 Bowell Pte WH

5999 Tombs Pte H

3965 Bulgin Pte W

4521 Keene Sgt J H

2389 Kimbrey QMSgt F

2402 Smellie C-Sgt T G

 $2270\ Thompson\ S\text{-}Sgt\ W$

1901

2423 Smith Pte J

4341 Wilkie Pte M

1902

2671 Corderoy L-Sgt G

6294 Isham Pte R

5066 Brown Sgt H A

2688 Flagg Pte J A

1903

5741 Lovegrove Pte W

5249 Rope Cpl R J

3225 Wilson Sgt C

1904

5930 Randall Pte W

5361 Cotton C-Sgt W H

4338 Crisp Sgt G

4408 Noah Pte F

1905

6266 Deacon Cpl B

3744 Emerson Sgt J

3804 Hawes L-Sgt H W

5079 Stoner Pte H T

3995 Bannister C-Sgt W T

3864 Hulstrom Pte A J

1906

3590 Hume L-Cpl RH

4111 Leigh Sgt W J

Carey-Bates Major T J

3961 Prouse Pte A

4191 Bott C-Sgt H

4219 Jones Pte W H

4218 Wightman Cpl R J

6614 O'Neil Sgt R

1907

6830 Finch Sgt A

4382 Fountain Sgt J

4310 Smith Sgt T

4267 Wenham Cpl W

2205 James L-Cpl W

5869 Cook C-Sgt G A

1908

4447 Beattie Cpl R

5035 Bryant Sgt T J

Hall C-Sgt W H

5090 Towers Pte W

1909

4690 Alder Pte A

6494 Fox Pte J

4922 Moy Pte J

6384 Smith Pte H T

4733 Wright Cpl A J

5052 Coombe QMSgt L W H

5067 Mackay C-Sgt W A

5242 Ratcliffe Cpl G A

4483 Walker Sgt W

7986 Burkitt Cpl W A

5043 Hobbs Pte H C

4594 Hobbs, Pte T J

4996 Parrish Pte C W

5592 Tiller Sgt W H

Pulman Capt H S

6016 Colegrove Sgt F H

4594 Hobbs Pte T J

7653 Pearce Cpl R R

4941 Viney C-Sgt H

5070 Brooks C-Sgt G H

7528 Hans Sgt G P

5908 Pain Cpl J W

4900 Strasbourg Dmr A

5939 Young Cpl J

4906 Essen Pte J

5136 Millen Dmr W R

7223 Sinclair Pte C E

4791 Winton Cpl C O

8494 Fox, Pte J

4TH VOLUNTEER BATTALION ROYAL FUSILIERS

1904

Phipps, 4060 Pte W

Trickey, 5374 Pte D J

1905

Best, 4295 Pte R A

Harrison, 3311 Qr-Mr-Sgt G W

Heffernon, 3235 Pte W J

Herod, 3206 Pte W

Perry, 3456 Pte G

Somerset, 4978 Pte C

Lovatt, 5289 Sgt W R

Henderson, 2355 Pte E C

King, 4110 Sgt H E

Page, 2561 Pte H

Wiskar, 3721 Pte J

1906

Rudland, 3536 Cpl H

Barker, 3849 Pte J

Dawson, 3850 Pte H C

Moore, 3741 C-Sgt G F

Hodges, 6028 C-Sgt H O

Jackson, 3656 C-Sgt G H

1907

Warren, 3906 Qr-Mr-Sgt C F

1908

Hazel, 8323 Or-Rm-Sgt E J

Bryant, 4926 C-Sgt T

Endean, 4057 Bugler

Harrison, 7963 Sgt J

1909

Axford, 5278 Sgt W J

Barthorpe, Major F J

Bock, 4117 Pte G

Boon,4613 Sgt T

Boulter, 6370 Cpl T H Boulter

Culley, 5144 Pte G

Dade, Lt Col H

Davidson, 4229 CQMS R

Dixey, 5028 Cpl F

Dixon, 4884 Pte R Edwards, 4405 Pte W Flinn, 4944 Pte C Flude, 4626 Sgt B French, 4430 Sgt S Golding, 4907 Pte E C Goodman, 4358 Cpl A Harse, 4520 Pte H J Howes, 4528 Pte J Langwerth,4521 Pte E Monson, Major E C P Povey, 4094 Pte F E Rudd, 5448 Pte F W Rudman, 4837 C-Sgt F Selling, 4590 L-Cpl A H Shipway, 8783 CSM F W Smith, 5027 Sgt W Somerset,4978 Pte C Tanner,5026 Pte A Testi,4163 Armr-Sgt G C Walsh,4794 Sgt F W Ward, 4196 Pte T Ward, 7883 Pte W T

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A SMALL SELECTION OF REGIMENTAL SILVER IN THE ROYAL FUSILIERS COLLECTION



THE BATTERSEA CHALLENGE BOWL Presented by The Rt. Hon Lord Battersea MP to the 1st.VB Royal Fusiliers 1897



THE KELLER TANKARD
Presented to Lt Col Keller VD on his
retirement by the officers, past and present
2nd VB Royal Fusiliers 1906



CHALLENGE BOWL
Presented to 3rd.VB Royal Fusiliers
To be competed for annually

SILVER BUGLE

Presented by the Ladies of Poplar to The 4th. and 5th.Companies 2nd. Tower Hamlets (Poplar & Limehouse) Rifle Volunteer Corps June 1861 Presented to The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Headquarters) by 460th H.A.A. (4th.City of London) Regt. T.A. O.C.A. June 2005



THE FOULKES STATUETTE

A silver statuette of a cyclist of 1st.VB Royal Fusiliers holding his bicycle and inscribed " From the Cyclist Section 1st.VB Royal Fusiliers to Capt. H C Foulkes, Brigade Cyclist Officer 1895-96



THE ROUTLEDGE FRUIT STAND

A highly decorative and ornate silver fruit representing a fruit vine; Stand and Server with 3 glass dishes.

Presented to Mrs R W Routledge on the occasion of a dinner given to Lieut Colonel Routledge in celebration of his 25 Years in The Volunteer Force by The Officers Past & Present, and NCO's and Men of the 2nd.Volunteer Battalion

March 17th. 1885



THE CARLEBACH CENTRE PIECE

A finely executed modern silver table cigar box of large proportion. In the form of a classical style casket, lined with cedar wood. The front and back applied with oval cartouche enclosing the enamelled Regimental Badge of the Royal Fusiliers with Garter Belt & Motto.

With the date 1685 together with the White Horse of Hanover.

The body is supported on five cast foliate scroll feet. The hinged stepped cover surmounted by a finely cast figure of a Royal Fusilier c.1769.

Presented to Colonel Philip Carlebach CMG TD by the Colonel & Officers of The Royal Fusiliers as a token of esteem for his services