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period of the great war with france and the men who commanded them regimental data provided includes shortform regimental lineages service locations and dispositions for the era battle honors won tables of authorized establishments demographics of the field officer cohorts and of the men but the book is essentially concerned with the field officers the lieutenant colonels and majors who commanded the regiments and volume 1 alone contains over 1 000 mini biographies of men who commanded the regiments including their dates of birth and death parentage education career including political awards and honors and places of residence volumes 2 to 5 will extend the coverage to ultimately record over 4 500 biographies across more than 200 regiments these biographies will show the regimental system in action officers routinely transferring between regiments for advancement or opportunity captains who were also brevet colonels many who retired early some who stayed the distance to become major 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haldane then secretary of state for war it was made all the more imperative by the aggressive and openly ambitious imperialism of germany whilst still relying in the first instance on her naval supremacy england could no longer think in terms of small forces fighting in far flung corners of her mighty empire the danger loomed nearer home and the possibility of a british force at grips with a foe across the narrow seas had to be faced nay more it had to be provided for and planned against an agreement was made with france our ancient enemy on many a bloody field and the general staffs of the two countries explored the measures necessary for the defence of the frontiers from the sea to the vosges arthur wellesley duke of wellington lives on in popular memory as the invincible general loved by his men admired by his peers formidable to his opponents this incisive book revises such a portrait offering an accurate and controversial new analysis of wellington s remarkable military career unlike his nemesis napoleon wellington was by no means a man of innate military talent huw j davies argues instead the key to wellington s military success was an exceptionally keen understanding of the relationship between politics and war drawing on extensive primary research davies discusses wellington s military apprenticeship in india where he learned through mistakes as well as successes how to plan campaigns organize and use intelligence and negotiate with allies in india wellington encountered the constant political machinations of indigenous powers and it was there that he apprenticed in the crucial skill of balancing conflicting political priorities in later campaigns and battles including the peninsular war and waterloo wellington s genius for strategy operations and tactics emerged for his success in the art of war he came to rely on his art as a politician and tactician this strikingly original book shows how wellington made even unlikely victories possible with a well honed political brilliance that underpinned all of his military achievements this comprehensive three volume work on the french revolution and napoleon s rule and campaigns covers a wide range of military political social and cultural events and personalities during a time of dramatic change in europe in three extraordinarily rich volumes the encyclopedia of the french revolutionary and napoleonic wars captures the full sweep and legacy of the transformation of europe from 1792 to 1815 its nearly 900 alphabetically organized fully cross referenced entries provide students and general readers with vivid biographies of politicians sovereigns and commanders accounts of battles weaponry and diplomatic affairs insights into the art music and culture of the times and much more unlike other works on the subject this encyclopedia combines coverage of napoleon s rule with that of the crucial revolutionary years in france that set the stage for his rise to power it includes contributions from the most wide ranging group of international experts ever assembled for a work on this era students will see the full continent wide impact of france s evolution from aristocracy to democracy to military autocracy and explore the effects of nationalism empire building industrialization and international conflict which resonate with more relevance today than ever since the creation of the standing army in 1661 when each regiment was known by the name of its current colonel there have been many reforms and rationalizations of the british army from 31 cavalry regiments and 113 infantry regiments in 1881 at the time of this title s first publication in 1988 the army had reduced to just 16 regiments of armour and 39 regiments of infantry through processes of absorption and amalgamation the handbook of british regiments provides insight into the lineage and history of the approximately 85 regiments and corps which formed the british army towards the end of the 1980s comprehensive in coverage each has a separate entry giving factual details in a layout standardized for easy comparison including current title colonel in chief uniform and history amongst others a key title amongst routledge reference reissues this handbook provides an accessible guide to specialists as well as lay enthusiasts and illustrates a sense of the continuity and inherited tradition of each regiment and corps another weighty regimental history two volumes 820 pages in all covering the record of twenty two battalions in france flanders italy and gallipoli all of them served on the western front when war broke out the regiment consisted of two regular battalions 1st and 2nd two special reserve 3rd and 4th and four territorial battalions 5th to 8th the 1st battalion went to france with 6th division in september 1914 the 2nd battalion came home from malta to join the newly formed 8th division regular and went to france in november 1914 both battalions remained in the same brigades 18th and 23rd and divisions throughout the war the four territorial battalions each formed a 2nd and a 3rd line battalion the four original battalions made up the 146th brigade 49th west riding division arriving in france in april 1915 the second line battalions combined to make the 185th brigade 62nd 2nd west riding division which arrived in france in january 1917 kitchener s call to arms resulted in eleven service battalions being raised 9th to 18th the 17th was formed as a bantam battalion and 21st of these only 13th and 14th did not go on active service the 21st battalion became a pioneer battalion in 4th division and the 22nd was a labour battalion which also went to france this history records events in chronological order the dates of the operations being described are shown in the margin as are the identities of the battalions involved volume 1 x 355pp with 18 maps and 15 b w photos covers the period from the outbreak of war to the end of 1916 the close of the somme offensive and includes the dardanelles campaign where the 9th battalion was in action with the 11th northern division on 1st july 1916 the first day of the somme the 10th battalion attacked at fricourt and incurred the heaviest casualties of any battalion 710 of whom 307 were killed including the co 2ic adjutant and two company commanders more than half of them are in in fricourt new military

cemetery which is in the no man s land across which they attacked and where they died the col It col dickson and his adjutant capt shann lie side by side there is a roll of honour for the period covered in which the other ranks are listed alphabetically by battalions as are the territorial battalion officers the other officers are shown in one group in alphabetical order with the battalion number in front of the name although the note at the head of the officer casualty list states that the theatre in which death occurred is france and flanders unless otherwise indicated nonetheless gallipoli is not shown against the names of the officers of the 9th battalion who died there and so one is left with the wrong impression they died on the western front the war against the ottomans on gallipoli in palestine and in mesopotamia was a major enterprise for the allies with important long term geo political consequences the absence of a turkish perspective written in english represents a huge gap in the historiography of the first world war this timely collection of wide ranging essays on the campaign drawing on turkish sources and written by experts in the field addresses this gap scholars employ archival documents from the turkish general staff diaries and letters of turkish soldiers ottoman journals and newspapers published during the campaign and recent academic literature by turkish scholars to reveal a different perspective on the campaign which should breathe new life into english language historiography on this crucial series of events steele and his comrades expected war to be a glorious adventure their personal intersection with events of historic importance his diary entries convey the excitement that accompanied the passage of the first 500 recruits across the atlantic to england and the boredom that followed as the regiment moved from training camps to garrison towns during the first year of the war steele s account of the regiment s role in the ill fated gallipoli expedition shows how the reality of war transforms individuals shattering illusions about glory and heroic effort and replacing them with fears of death and wounding far from home steele s record of the shift to the western front and the events that led up to the virtual annihilation of his regiment on the fields of beaumont hamel on 1 july 1916 is filled with the pathos and irony of war his diary captures the essence of how the individual deals with war s uncertainties the terrible possibilities of self destruction on the battle ground and the need to control and overcome those fears the great war is of special interest to newfoundland as it was the last significant effort by what was then a small dominion to assert its place within the larger british empire newfoundland s participation in the war resulted not only in the loss of lives and limbs but to the strains and tensions that led to its demise as an independent country historical record of the second or queen s royal regiment of foot is a historical work on one of the divisions of the british army the work contains an account of the regiment s formation in 1661 and describes its following services up to 1837 also the record includes biographical memoirs of the colonels and other distinguished officers the battles between british and french forces during the peninsular war 1807 14 and the hundred days campaign of 1815 saw both sides deploy specialist units of skirmishers trained in marksmanship and open order combat these light troops fulfilled several important roles on the battlefield such as masking large bodies of close order troops as they manoeuvred in battle firing upon enemy troops to provoke them into attacking prematurely and harassing enemy artillery crews and senior officers with aimed fire on occasion the skirmishers were tasked with special missions requiring individual initiative such as the capture or defence of key battlefield positions especially those situated in difficult terrain while napoleon s skirmishers carried the smoothbore musket notoriously inaccurate and short ranged several elite units fighting for britain were armed with the rifle a far more accurate weapon that was hampered by a slower rate of fire as well as the legendary 95th rifles britain fielded rifle armed german troops of the 60th regiment and the king s german legion while france s light troops were fielded in individual companies but also entire regiments in this study david greentree assesses the role and effectiveness of rifle armed british troops and their french open order opponents in three very different encounters roliça august 1808 the first british battle of the peninsular war the struggle for a key bridge at barba del puerco march 1810 and the bitter fight for the la haye sainte farmhouse during the battle of waterloo june 1815 official records produced by the armies of the united states and the confederacy and the executive branches of their respective governments concerning the military operations of the civil war and prisoners of war or prisoners of state also annual reports of military departments calls for troops correspondence between national and state governments correspondence between union and confederate officials the final volume includes a synopsis general index special index for various military divisions and background information on how these documents were collected and published accompanied by an atlas the many regiments that fought in the civil war each had their own stories to tell about what they saw smelled tasted heard and felt while serving in war the second vermont volunteer infantry regiment saw its first combat at the battle of bull run and fought on to lee s surrender this richly illustrated work draws from service pension and court martial records and personal letters and diaries to portray the junior officers noncommissioned officers and privates of the regiment as they were in battle on the march and in camp some were heroes like private william w noyes awarded the medal of honor and others were not like private george e blowers executed for desertion a roster of the 1 858 men who served in the regiment is provided

Wellington's Peninsula Regiments (2)

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Lists and Indexes

1964

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Staging the Peninsular War

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The Queen's (King's) regulations and orders for the army. 1868 [2 eds.], 73,81. [2 issues].

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the war history of the 4th battalion the london regiment royal fusiliers 1914 1919 by f clive grimwade the 4th battalion london regiment royal fusiliers was a volunteer unit of britain s territorial army recruited from east london though they fought in multiple battles this book describes the efforts the men of this battalion made in the first world war from its first mobilization to the last advance

History of the Royal Regiment of Artillery Vol II (1784-1815)

1879

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1897

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from its formation in 1717 to 1893

The War History of the 4th Battalion, the London Regiment (Royal Fusiliers), 1914-1919

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US World War II Parachute Infantry Regiments

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1998

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Historical Records of the 40Th (2Nd Somersetshire) Regiment

1957

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Australia in the War of 1939-1945: The island campaigns

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King George's Army - British Regiments and the Men Who Led Them 1793-1815

1962

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Australia in the War of 1939-1945

1886

since the creation of the standing army in 1661 when each regiment was known by the name of its current colonel there have been many reforms and rationalizations of the british army from 31 cavalry regiments and 113 infantry regiments in 1881 at the time of this title s first publication in 1988 the army had reduced to just 16 regiments of armour and 39 regiments of infantry through processes of absorption and amalgamation the handbook of british regiments provides insight into the lineage and history of the approximately 85 regiments and corps which formed the british army towards the end of the 1980s comprehensive in coverage each has a separate entry giving factual details in a layout standardized for easy comparison including current title colonel in chief uniform and history amongst others a key title amongst routledge reference reissues this handbook provides an accessible guide to specialists as well as lay enthusiasts and illustrates a sense of the continuity and inherited tradition of each regiment and corps

A Soldier's Experience, Or A Voice from the Ranks

1896

another weighty regimental history two volumes 820 pages in all covering the record of twenty two battalions in france flanders italy and gallipoli all of them served on the western front when war broke out the regiment consisted of two regular battalions 1st and 2nd two special reserve 3rd and 4th and four territorial battalions 5th to 8th the 1st battalion went to france with 6th division in september 1914 the 2nd battalion came home from malta to join the newly formed 8th division regular and went to france in november 1914 both battalions remained in the same brigades 18th and 23rd and divisions throughout the war the four territorial battalions each formed a 2nd and a 3rd line battalion the four original battalions made up the 146th brigade 49th west riding division arriving in france in april 1915 the second line battalions combined to make the 185th brigade 62nd 2nd west riding division which arrived in france in january 1917 kitchener s call to arms resulted in eleven service battalions being raised 9th to 18th the 17th was formed as a bantam battalion and 21st of these only 13th and 14th did not go on active service the 21st battalion became a pioneer battalion in 4th division and the 22nd was a labour battalion which also went to france this history records events in chronological order the dates of the operations being described are shown in the margin as are the identities of the battalions involved volume 1 x 355pp with 18 maps and 15 b w photos covers the period from the outbreak of war to the end of 1916 the close of the somme offensive and includes the dardanelles campaign where the 9th battalion was in action with the 11th northern division on 1st july 1916 the first day of the somme the 10th battalion attacked at fricourt and incurred the heaviest casualties of any battalion 710 of whom 307 were killed including the co 2ic adjutant and two company commanders more than half of them are in in fricourt new military cemetery which is in the no man s land across which they attacked and where they died the co lt col dickson and his adjutant capt shann lie side by side there is a roll of honour for the period covered in which the other ranks are listed alphabetically by battalions as are the territorial battalion officers the other officers are shown in one group in alphabetical order with the battalion number in front of the name although the note at the head of the officer casualty list states that the theatre in which death occurred is france and flanders unless otherwise indicated nonetheless gallipoli is not shown against the names of the officers of the 9th battalion who died there and so one is left with the wrong impression they died on the western front

The Story of One Regiment

1896

the war against the ottomans on gallipoli in palestine and in mesopotamia was a major enterprise for the allies with important long term geo political consequences the absence of a turkish perspective written in english represents a huge gap in the historiography of the first world war this timely collection of wide ranging essays on the campaign drawing on turkish sources and written by experts in the field addresses this gap scholars employ archival documents from the turkish general staff diaries and letters of turkish soldiers ottoman journals and newspapers published during the campaign and recent academic literature by turkish scholars to reveal a different perspective on the campaign which should breathe new life into english language historiography on this crucial series of events

The Story of One Regiment in the War of the Rebellion

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steele and his comrades expected war to be a glorious adventure their personal intersection with events of historic importance his diary entries convey the excitement that accompanied the passage of the first 500 recruits across the atlantic to england and the boredom that followed as the regiment moved from training camps to garrison towns during the first year of the war steele s account of the regiment s role in the ill fated gallipoli expedition shows how the reality of war transforms individuals shattering illusions about glory and heroic effort and replacing them with fears of death and wounding far from home steele s record of the shift to the western front and the events that led up to the virtual annihilation of his regiment on the fields of beaumont hamel on 1 july 1916 is filled with the pathos and irony of war his diary captures the essence of how the individual deals with war s uncertainties the terrible possibilities of self destruction on the battle ground and the need to control and overcome those fears the great war is of special interest to newfoundland as it was the last significant effort by what was then a small dominion to assert its place within the larger british empire newfoundland s participation in the war resulted not only in the loss of lives and limbs but to the strains and tensions that led to its demise as an independent

country

Australia in the War of 1939-1945: The island campaigns, by A.S. Walker

2016-01-20

historical record of the second or queen s royal regiment of foot is a historical work on one of the divisions of the british army the work contains an account of the regiment s formation in 1661 and describes its following services up to 1837 also the record includes biographical memoirs of the colonels and other distinguished officers

A Soldier's Experience; or, A Voice from the Ranks

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the battles between british and french forces during the peninsular war 1807 14 and the hundred days campaign of 1815 saw both sides deploy specialist units of skirmishers trained in marksmanship and open order combat these light troops fulfilled several important roles on the battlefield such as masking large bodies of close order troops as they manoeuvred in battle firing upon enemy troops to provoke them into attacking prematurely and harassing enemy artillery crews and senior officers with aimed fire on occasion the skirmishers were tasked with special missions requiring individual initiative such as the capture or defence of key battlefield positions especially those situated in difficult terrain while napoleon s skirmishers carried the smoothbore musket notoriously inaccurate and short ranged several elite units fighting for britain were armed with the rifle a far more accurate weapon that was hampered by a slower rate of fire as well as the legendary 95th rifles britain fielded rifle armed german troops of the 60th regiment and the king s german legion while france s light troops were fielded in individual companies but also entire regiments in this study david greentree assesses the role and effectiveness of rifle armed british troops and their french open order opponents in three very different encounters roliça august 1808 the first british battle of the peninsular war the struggle for a key bridge at barba del puerco march 1810 and the bitter fight for the la haye sainte farmhouse during the battle of waterloo june 1815

The Tammany Regiment

1896

official records produced by the armies of the united states and the confederacy and the executive branches of their respective governments concerning the military operations of the civil war and prisoners of war or prisoners of state also annual reports of military departments calls for troops correspondence between national and state governments correspondence between union and confederate officials the final volume includes a synopsis general index special index for various military divisions and background information on how these documents were collected and published accompanied by an atlas

Historical Records of The Buffs East Kent Regiment

1875

the many regiments that fought in the civil war each had their own stories to tell about what they saw smelled tasted heard and felt while serving in war the second vermont volunteer infantry regiment saw its first combat at the battle of bull run and fought on to lee s surrender this richly illustrated work draws from service pension and court martial records and personal letters and diaries to portray the junior officers noncommissioned officers and privates of the regiment as they were in battle on the march and in camp some were heroes like private william w noyes awarded the medal of honor and others were not like private george e blowers executed for desertion a roster of the 1 858 men who served in the regiment is provided

Hart's Annual Army List, Militia List, and Imperial Yeomanry

List

1963

Historical Record of the Seventh Or Royal Regiment of Fusiliers

1869

United States Army in World War II.

2012-06-26

The Colours of the Grenadier Guards

1974

Wellington's Wars

2006

List of War Office Records

1867

The Encyclopedia of the French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars

2013-10-18

Rosters [etc.] of Illinois regiments numbered from the 1st to the 17th cavalry; 29th United States colored infantry, and the 1st and 2nd regiments and independent batteries of artillery. Also, rosters of enlisted men of regiments numbered from the 7th to the 20th

1983

The Handbook of British Regiments (Routledge Revivals)

2013-02-25

The 3d Marine Division and Its Regiments

2016-04-20

The West Yorkshire Regiment in the War 1914-1918 Vol 1

2002-12-10

The Gallipoli Campaign

1852

Lieutenant Owen William Steele of the Newfoundland Regiment

2019-12-19

An Alphabetical List of the officers of the Seventy-ninth Regiment, or Cameronian Highlanders, from 1800 to 1851

2020-02-20

Historical Record of the Second, or Queen's Royal Regiment of Foot

1932

British Rifleman vs French Skirmisher

1884

Army Register

2009-09-08

The War of the Rebellion

The Second Vermont Volunteer Infantry Regiment, 1861-1865

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