

British Cavalry Regiments and the Men Who Led Them 1793-1815

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33rd Light Dragoons

Secondary Title: Ulster

Regimental History, 33rd Light Dragoons

1794: 2 October - raised by James Stevenson Blackwood

1796: 26 February - disbanded.

Service History, 33rd Light Dragoons

1794: November - raised in County Down

1795: 1795: Killileagh; to Scotland; June - Dumfries; Hull; September - Newcastle; mutinied when ordered to be drafted for foreign service

1796: February - disbanded at Newcastle.

Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant

James Stevenson BLACKWOOD

Born: County Down 1755

Relations: Eldest son of Sir John Blackwood, 2nd Baronet

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of 33rd Light Dragoons 2 October 1794; to half-pay 25 October 1802

Awards & Honours: MP 1788-1801, and 1807-1818; 2nd Baron Dufferin and Claneboye in 1808

Died: 8 August 1836.

Lieutenant Colonel

Nathaniel Williams MASSEY

Born: Ireland 1773

Relations: Second son of General Eyre Massey

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel in 33rd Light Dragoons 15 December 1794; to half-pay 1 March 1798; Lieutenant-Colonel in 35th Foot 6 August 1799; exchanged to Lieutenant-Colonel in 27th Foot 30 May 1800; to half-pay 25 October 1802

Staff & General Officer Service: Brevet Colonel 1 January 1801; Major-General 25 April 1808

Awards & Honours: 2nd Baron Clarina in 1808

Died: Of fever on Barbados 26 January 1810.

Major

Hon. Edward Michael PAKENHAM

Born: Ireland 1778

Regimental Service: Major in 33rd Light Dragoons 6 December 1794; Major in 23rd Light Dragoons; Major in 64th Foot May 1800; Lieutenant-Colonel in 7th Foot 5 May 1804 (on transfer from 64th Foot); Colonel of 6th West India Regiment 21 May 1813

Service 1793-1815: Served in Copenhagen 1807; served in Martinique 1809; served in Peninsula August to September 1810, October 1810 to January 1811, July 1811 to July 1812 as brigade commander in 1st and 4th Divisions; commander of 3rd Division July 1812 to January 1813; commander of 6th Division February to April 1813; commander of British Force in North America 1814-1815

Staff & General Officer Service: Brevet Colonel 25 October 1809; Major-General 1 January 1812

Awards & Honours: GCB; AGC (Mart Sal FDO Pyr Nivelles Nive Ort Toul)

Died: Killed in action at New Orleans 8 January 1815.

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