

British Artillery Battalions and the Men Who Led Them 1793-1815

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Royal Engineers / Royals Sappers and Miners

Regimental History, Royal Engineers / Royals Sappers and Miners

1716: Formed as Corps of Engineers (officers only)

1772: Soldier Artificer Company (other ranks) formed at Gibraltar (later 2 companies)

1787: Corps of Military Artificers and Labourers (other ranks) formed (6 companies)

1787: Corps of Engineers renamed Royal Engineers (officers only)

1793: Four companies of foreign Military Artificers for overseas postings formed (2 in Flanders, 1 in West Indies, 1 in Upper Canada but never formed)

1797: Artificers absorbed Gibraltar companies

1798: Artificers renamed Corps of Royal Military Artificers

1801: Absorbed Royal Engineers in Ireland upon Act of Union

1806: Establishment increased from 10 to 12 companies designated by number rather than station

1811: Establishment to be 4 battalions of 8 companies

1812: Artificers renamed Royal Military Artificers or Sappers and Miners (other ranks)

1813: Renamed Royal Sappers and Miners (other ranks)

1817: 4th Battalion disbanded

1856: Royal Engineers absorbed Royal Sappers and Miners (becoming an all ranks corps)

1862: Absorbed Honourable East India Company sappers and miners

Current: The Corps of Royal Engineers

Combined Service History, Royal Engineers / Royals Sappers and Miners

1793: Companies at Woolwich, Chatham, Portsmouth, Gosport, Plymouth, Guernsey and Jersey; February - detachment to Grenada; March - company to Flanders; August - second company to Flanders; September - detachment with Grey's force to Ostend; detachment sent from Gibraltar to Toulon; 4 foreign companies formed

1794: January - West Indies company on Barbados; June - detachment to Halifax Nova Scotia

1795: April - two provisional companies to West Indies; Artificers HQ moved to Woolwich

1796: March - 2 detachments in West Indies (San Domingo and St Lucia); September - detachment at Halifax Nova Scotia

1797: January - detachment at Lisbon; February - detachment to Martinique; detachment at capture of Trinidad and Porto Rico

1798: Two companies at Gibraltar; one company in Nova Scotia; one company in West Indies; May - detachment at Ostend expedition; November - Lisbon detachment in Minorca campaign

1799: February - detachment at capture of Surinam; June - detachment at Constantinople and later Dardanelles in the service of the Sultan; August - detachment to Helder

1800: April - detachment on Minorca; July - Constantinople detachment at Jaffa; Minorca detachment to Malta

1801: Absorbed Irish companies; seven companies at home, two at Gibraltar, one in West Indies, detachments in Nova Scotia and on Minorca; March - detachment to the capture of The Saintes; March - Syrian detachment at Gaza; March - detachment at Alexandria and Aboukir

1802: August - Minorca company disbanded

1803: January - detachment to Ceylon; June - detachment at capture of St Lucia and Tobago; September - detachment at capture of Demerara, Essequibo and Berbice

1804: April - detachment at capture of Surinam; September - Gibraltar companies decimated by fever epidemic

1805: April-July - brought up to strength by volunteers from militia and the line; October - detachment to Hanover; November - detachment at Naples

1806: January - Detachment at Cape of Good Hope; February - company to Gibraltar; March - three companies of Maltese Military Artificers formed on Malta; July - Naples detachment at Maida; September - RMA increased from 10 to 12 companies (8 at home, 2 at Gibraltar, 1 in West Indies and 1 in Nova Scotia)

1807: One company in Newfoundland (until 1819); March - detachment from Messina at Alexandria; June - detachment to Chile, diverted to Buenos Aires; July - Maltese company to Messina and Syracuse; July - detachment to Newfoundland; August - detachment at Copenhagen; December - detachment on Madeira; December - detachment at capture of The Saintes

1808: June - detachment to Portugal; July - detachment in Newfoundland; July - detachment at capture of Ionian Isles; October - detachment with Moore in Sweden landed at Lisbon

1809: January - West Indies company and company from Halifax at capture of Martinique; Corunna campaign; April - detachment in Lisbon; July - Talavera campaign; September - 2 companies to Walcheren; October - Lines of Torres Vedras commenced

1810: January - detachment at capture of Guadeloupe; March - detachment at Cadiz; April - detachment of Maltese Artificers at capture of Santa Maura; September - Lines of Torres Vedras completed

1811: March - West Indies company reinforced; April - Portuguese company reinforced; May - establishment to be 4 battalions of 8 companies (17 in England, 2 at Cork, 1 at Halifax, 1 in Newfoundland, 3 at Gibraltar, 2 in West Indies, 2 at Cadiz, 4 in Portugal); August - 1st siege of Badajoz; October - detachment to Tarifa; November - Cadiz company reinforced

1812: Siege of Ciudad Rodrigo; siege of Badajoz; April - companies arrived from England and Madeira; June - Maltese Artificers at Tarragona; Salamanca campaign; November - detachment on Bermuda; December - Peninsula force reinforced

1813: June - one company at Quebec; siege of San Sebastian; August - one company to Flanders; October - Maltese companies absorbed into RS&M; operations in the Pyrenees; December - Gibraltar company subject to fever; December - company to Flanders; 700 new volunteers during the year from the militia and general recruiting

1814: 5 companies in Peninsula, one company in Flanders; campaign in south of France; April - Maltese companies from Tarragona to Messina; June - one company from France to Maryland, one to Italy; September - detachment in Maine; December - one company in Louisiana

1815: Three companies in North America; second company sent to New Orleans; Flanders companies at Brussels, reinforced by 7 companies from home and one from North America; Waterloo campaign; June - detachment at capture of Guadeloupe; October - Maltese companies disbanded

1816: Five companies in Army of Occupation; April - one company on Saint Helena; August - establishment reduced by 25 men per company

1817: February - 4th Battalion disbanded. Eventually to 12 companies by 1819.

Colonels

Charles, DUKE OF RICHMOND

Born: Charles Lennox in London 1735

Relations: Eldest son of 2nd Duke of Richmond

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel in 33rd Foot 1756; Colonel of 72nd Foot 9 May 1758; Colonel of Royal Horse Guards 15 July 1795

Early Service: Served on the Continent 1758-1759; Ambassador to France 1765-1766

Service 1793-1815: Master-General of the Ordnance 1782-1783, and 1789-1795

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 9 March 1761; Lieutenant-General 30 April 1780; General 20 November 1782; Field Marshal 30 July 1796

Awards & Honours: KG; PC; FRS; 3rd Duke of Richmond 1750; Duke of Aubigny 1777

Died: 29 December 1806.

Charles, Marquis CORNWALLIS

Born: London 1738

Relations: Eldest son of 1st Earl Cornwallis

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel in 12th Foot 1 May 1760; Colonel of 33rd Foot 21 March 1766

Early Service: Served in Germany 1759-1761; served in North America and surrendered at Yorktown 1781; served in India 1791-1792

Service 1793-1815: Commander-in-Chief in Ireland 1798; Governor-General of Madras 1785-1793; Master-General of the Ordnance 1795-1801; Governor-General of India 1805

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel August 1765; Major-General 29 September 1775; Lieutenant-General 29 August 1777; General 12 October 1793

Awards & Honours: KG; Earl Cornwallis 1762; 1st Marquess Cornwallis 1792

Died: Ghazipur 5 October 1805.

John, EARL OF CHATHAM

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 47

Born: John Pitt in Kent 1756

Relations: Eldest son of William Pitt the Elder; elder brother of William Pitt the Younger

Regimental Service: Captain & Lieutenant-Colonel in 3rd Foot Guards 18 December 1782; Colonel of 4th Foot 5 December 1799

Service 1793-1815: First Lord of the Admiralty 1788-1794; served at Helder 1799; Master-General of the Ordnance 1801-1806, and 1807-1810; Governor of Plymouth 1805-1807; commanded force to Walcheren 1809; Governor of Jersey 1807-1820; Governor of Gibraltar 1820-1835

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 12 October 1793; Major-General 26 February 1795; Lieutenant-General 29 April 1802; General 1 January 1812

Awards & Honours: KG; PC; Viscount Pitt 1766; Earl of Chatham 1778

Died: 24 September 1835.

Francis, EARL OF MOIRA

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 26

Born: Francis Rawdon in Dublin 1754

Relations: Eldest son of 1st Earl of Moira; added -Hastings surname in 1790

Regimental Service: Colonel-Commandant of 105th Foot 1781; Colonel of 27th Foot

Early Service: Served in North America 1775-1781

Service 1793-1815: Served in Flanders 1793-1794; Commander-in-Chief in North Britain 1803; Master-General of the Ordnance 1806-1807; Governor-General of India 1813; commanded forces in Nepal 1815-1816

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 20 November 1782; Major-General 12 October 1793; Lieutenant-General 1 January 1798; General 1803

Later Service: Governor of Malta 1824-1826

Awards & Honours: KG; GCB; FRS; Earl of Moira 1793; 1st Marquess of Hastings 1816

Died: At sea off Naples 28 November 1826.

Henry, LORD MULGRAVE

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 33

Born: Henry Phipps in Yorkshire 1755

Relations: Third son of 1st Baron Mulgrave

Regimental Service: Major in 85th Foot 30 August 1779; Captain & Lieutenant-Colonel in 1st Foot Guards 6 June 1783; Colonel of 31st Foot 8 February 1793

Early Service: Served in North America 1776-1778; served in West Indies 1780-1781

Service 1793-1815: Commanded British forces at Toulon 1793; military envoy to Austria 1799; Foreign Secretary 1805-1806; First Lord of the Admiralty 1807-1810; Master-General of the Ordnance 1810-1819

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 18 November 1790; Major-General at Toulon 23 October 1793; Major-General 3 October 1794; Lieutenant-General 1 January 1801; General 25 October 1809

Awards & Honours: Lord Mulgrave 1792; 1st Earl of Mulgrave 1812; MP 1784-1794

Died: Yorkshire 7 April 1831.

Colonels en Second

William, VISCOUNT HOWE

Born: 1729

Relations: Third son of 2nd Viscount Howe

Regimental Service: Major in 60th Foot 4 January 1756; Lieutenant-Colonel in 58th Foot 17 December 1757; Colonel of 46th Foot 21 November 1764; Colonel of 23rd Foot 11 May 1775; Colonel of 19th Light Dragoons 21 April 1786

Early Service: Served in Canada 1758-1760; AG in Cuba 1762; commander of Light Infantry school 1774; Commander-in-Chief in North America 1775-1778

Service 1793-1815: Lieutenant-General of the Ordnance 1782-1804; Governor of Berwick-upon-Tweed 1795; Governor of Plymouth 1808

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 19 February 1762; Major-General 25 May 1772; Lieutenant-General in North America 10 October 1775; Lieutenant-General 29 August 1777; General 12 October 1793

Awards & Honours: KB; 5th Viscount Howe 1799; MP 1758-1780

Died: Twickenham 12 July 1814.

Sir Thomas TRIGGE

Born: 1741

Regimental Service: Major in 12th Foot 17 November 1773; Lieutenant-Colonel 6 June 1778; Colonel of 68th Foot 25 March 1795; Colonel en Second RE 6 November 1804

Early Service: Served in Germany 1759-1762; served at the Great Siege of Gibraltar; commanded ground troops at capture of Surinam 1799 and The Saints 1801

Service 1793-1815: Governor of Portsmouth 1790; Lieutenant-Governor of Gibraltar 1803-1804; Lieutenant-General of the Ordnance 1804-1814

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 20 November 1782; Major-General 12 October 1793; Lieutenant-General 1 January 1798

Awards & Honours: KB

Died: London 11 January 1814.

Sir Hildebrand OAKES, Bt.

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 153

Born: Exeter 1754

Relations: Son of Colonel Hildebrand Oakes

Regimental Service: Major in 66th Foot 13 September 1791; Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 1 March 1794; Lieutenant-Colonel 26th Foot 1 September 1795; Colonel of 1st Battalion of Reserve 22 October 1803; to half-pay 1805; Colonel of 3rd West India Regiment 24 April 1806; Colonel of 52nd Foot 25 January 1809

Service 1793-1815: Served in North America 1781; DQMG on Corsica 1794; QMG in Mediterranean 1794; QMG in Portugal 1796; served in Egypt 1801; Lieutenant-Governor of Portsmouth 1804; QMG in Mediterranean July 1806; commander of Malta garrison March 1808; Civil Commissioner of Malta 1810-1813; Lieutenant-General of the Ordnance 1814-1822

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 1 January 1798; Brigadier-General on Malta October 1802; Major-General 1 January 1805; Lieutenant-General 4 June 1811

Awards & Honours: GCB; Baronet 1813

Died: London 9 September 1822.

Chief Engineers

Sir William GREEN, Bt.

Born: London 1725

Regimental Service: Major 10 September 1759; Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 8 February 1762; Chief Engineer 15 November 1786

Early Service: Served in Flanders 1745-1748; served in Canada 1752-1760; chief engineer at Gibraltar 1761-1768; commanded Soldier Artificer Company 1772; chief engineer at Great Siege of Gibraltar 1779-1783

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 29 August 1777; Major-General 19 October 1781; Lieutenant-General 12 October 1793; General 1 January 1798

Awards & Honours: Baronet 1786

Retired: 1802

Died: Kent 10 January 1811.

Colonels-Commandant

Robert MORSE

Born: 1744

Regimental Service: Colonel 6 June 1788; Colonel-Commandant 1 May 1802

Early Service: Served in Germany 1761-1763; served in West Indies 1773-1779; served in North America 1781-1784; commanded RMA company at Woolwich 1787-1788

Service 1793-1815: CRE at Gibraltar 1791-1796; Inspector-General of Fortifications 1802-1811

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 20 December 1793; Lieutenant-General 26 June 1799; General 25 April 1808

Retired: 1811

Died: London 20 January 1818.

Abraham D'AUBANT

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 16 September 1785; Colonel 27 November 1793; Colonel-Commandant 13 July 1802

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 26 February 1795; Lieutenant-General 29 April 1802

Died: Middlesex 1805.

Alexander MERCER

Relations: Father of Captain Cavalie Mercer

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 21 September 1787; Colonel 3 March 1797 (vice Debbieg); Colonel-Commandant 1 March 1805 (vice D'Aubant)

Early Service: Commanded RMA detachment on Guernsey 1789

Service 1793-1815: Commanded Plymouth Company RMA 1801

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 1 March 1794; Major-General 3 May 1796; Lieutenant-General 25 September 1803; General 4 June 1813

Died: Exeter 1816.

Gother MANN

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 122

Born: London 1747

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 5 December 1793; Colonel 18 August 1797; Colonel-Commandant 13 July 1805

Early Service: Served in West Indies during American Revolution; CRE in Canada 1785

Service 1793-1815: Commanded RMA detachment to Flanders 1793; CRE in Canada 1797-1804; Inspector-General of Fortifications 23 July 1811 (until 1830)

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 25 September 1803; Lieutenant-General 25 July 1810; General 19 July 1821

Died: Lewisham 27 March 1830.

William TWISS

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 173

Born: Gravesend 1744

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 June 1794; Colonel 1 January 1800; Colonel-Commandant 24 June 1809

Early Service: Served in Canada during American Revolution; CRE in Canada 1781-1783

Service 1793-1815: CRE Southern District (home) 1792-1809; Lieutenant-Governor of the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich 1794-1810; CRE at Helder 1799

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 30 October 1805; Lieutenant-General 1 January 1812; General 27 May 1825

Died: Yorkshire 14 March 1827.

John EVELEIGH

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 13 August 1794; Colonel 13 July 1802; Colonel-Commandant 21 July 1813

Service 1793-1815: Commanded Portsmouth and Gosport Companies 1801

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 1 January 1800; Major-General 25 April 1808; Lieutenant-General 4 June 1813

Died: 1815.

Thomas NEPEAN

Born: Cornwall 1748

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 18 August 1797; Colonel 1 March 1805 (vice Mann); Colonel-Commandant 1815 (vice Eveleigh)

Service 1793-1815: Commanded Chatham Company 1801

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 4 June 1811

Died: Bath 25 November 1816.

Colonels

John ARCHER

Regimental Service: Colonel 1 January 1783

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 20 November 1782; Major-General 12 October 1793; Lieutenant-General 1 January 1798

Died: Antigua 1807.

Hugh DEBBIEG

Born: 1731

Regimental Service: Colonel 1 January 1783; Colonel of Royal Invalid Engineers 1798

Early Service: Served at Quebec 1759; examined fortifications on continent during Seven Years War

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 20 November 1782; Major-General 12 October 1793; Lieutenant-General 1 January 1798; General 25 September 1803

Retired: 1798

Died: London 27 May 1810.

John PHIPPS

Regimental Service: Colonel 15 November 1789

Early Service: Commanded RMA company at Portsmouth 1787-1788

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 20 December 1793

Retired: 1794.

William SPRY

Born: Hampshire 1734

Regimental Service: Colonel 15 December 1789;

Early Service: Commanded RMA company at Chatham 1787-1788

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 20 December 1793; Lieutenant-General 26 June 1799

Died: 1802.

Frederick George MULCASTER

Born: 1739

Relations: Alleged illegitimate son of King George II (not verified)

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 15 November 1786; Colonel 3 March 1797 (vice Archer)

Early Service: Served in Florida 1769-1781; commanded RMA company at Plymouth 1787-1789

Service 1793-1815: Commanded Lisbon detachment 1797; commanded Minorca detachment 1798

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 1 March 1794; Major-General 3 May 1796

Died: 1797.

Benjamin FISHER

Born: 1753

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 3 March 1797 (vice Hartcup); Colonel 1 March 1805 (vice Mercer)

Early Service: Served in Canada 1785-1791

Service 1793-1815: Commanded Woolwich Company RMA 1801; surveyed and constructed Martello towers on south coast of England

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 4 June 1811

Died: Portsmouth 29 September 1814.

Sir Charles SHIPLEY, Kt.

Born: Bedfordshire 1755

Relations: Son of Captain Richard Shipley

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 11 September 1798 (vice Hartcup); Colonel 13 July 1805

Early Service: Served on Minorca 1778; CRE Leeward Islands 1781 to 1792

Service 1793-1815: CRE Windward and Leeward Islands 20 October 1796; CRE at capture of Trinidad 1797; CRE at capture of Surinam 1799; commanded West Indies companies RMA 1801; CRE at capture of Martinique 1809; Governor of Grenada August 1813-1815; 2IC at capture of Guadeloupe 1815

Brevets & Staff Service: Brigadier-General in West Indies 12 June 1806; Major-General 4 June 1811

Died: Grenada 30 November 1815.

William FYERS

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 319

Born: Inverness 1753

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 1 January 1800; Lieutenant-Colonel 1 July 1800 (vice Rudyard); Colonel 1 July 1806

Early Service: Served in North America 1775-1781; served at Gibraltar 1788-1795

Service 1793-1815: CRE at Gibraltar 1795-1807; Deputy Inspector-General of Fortifications 1808; CRE and wounded at Walcheren 1809

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 4 June 1811; Lieutenant-General 12 August 1819

Later Service: CRA on Malta 1823-1829; CRE in Ireland 1829

Died: Dublin 27 October 1829.

William JOHNSTONE

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 403

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 29 April 1802; Lieutenant-Colonel 13 July 1802 (vice Eveleigh); Colonel 24 June 1809 (vice Twiss)

Early Service: Served at Gibraltar 1782; served in West Indies 1784-1811

Service 1793-1815: Commanded 11th (West Indies) Company 1806; CRE at capture of Guadeloupe 1810

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 1 January 1812; Lieutenant-General 1825

Died: Hythe 17 March 1827.

William KERSTEMAN

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 20 July 1804; Colonel 28 May 1810; Colonel of Royal Invalid Engineers 1814

Early Service: Served in North America 1776-1780; served at Gibraltar 1784-1794

Service 1793-1815: Served in West Indies 1794-1797

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 4 June 1813

Retired: 1808

Died: Taunton 1820.

Sir Charles HOLLOWAY, Kt.

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 491

Born: 1749

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 20 July 1804; Colonel 1 May 1811

Early Service: Served at Gibraltar 1782

Service 1793-1815: Commanded detachment in Turkey and Syria 1799-1801; CRE at Cork 1803; commanded 7th (Spike Island) Company RMA 1806; CRE Gibraltar 1807-1813

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 4 June 1814

Retired: 17 July 1824

Died: Plymouth 4 January 1827.

John HUMFREY

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 492

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 March 1805 (vice Fisher); Colonel 1 May 1811

Service 1793-1815: Commanded Jersey Company RMA 1801

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 4 June 1814; Lieutenant-General 22 July 1830

Died: Cheltenham 5 April 1832.

Robert D'ARCY

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 607

Born: Yorkshire c.1751

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 March 1805 (vice Nepean); Colonel 21 July 1813

Service 1793-1815: Commanded 2nd (Chatham) Company 1806; served at Walcheren 1809

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 4 June 1813; Major-General 12 August 1819

Awards & Honours: CB

Died: 13 May 1827.

George BRIDGES

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 608

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 March 1805; Colonel 21 July 1813

Early Service: Served in West Indies 1777-1785

Service 1793-1815: CRE at Cape of Good Hope 1795-1801; CRE in Ceylon 1802-1810

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 4 June 1813; Major-General 12 August 1819

Died: Greenwich 1 June 1825.

Sir Samuel Trevor DICKENS

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 609

Born: c.1764

Relations: Son of Lieutenant-Colonel Thomas Dickens, 1st Foot

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 March 1805; Colonel 30 September 1814 (vice Fisher)

Early Service: Served at Gibraltar 1784-1800

Service 1793-1815: Served at Ferrol 1800; served in Mediterranean 1801; CRE on Malta 1801-1814; commanded Maltese Artificer Companies 1806

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 4 June 1813; Major-General 12 August 1819; Lieutenant-General 10 January 1837

Awards & Honours: Knighted 29 January 1834

Died: Ipswich 11 October 1847.

John ROWLEY

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 692

Born: c.1768

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 July 1806; Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Nepean)

Service 1793-1815: Served in Flanders 1793-1795; Deputy Inspector-General of Fortifications 4 June 1811

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 4 June 1814; Major-General 19 July 1821

Died: Essex 1 December 1824.

Augustus DE BUTTS

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 693

Born: Ireland 1766

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 July 1806; Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Kesteman)

Service 1793-1815: Served at Toulon and Corsica 1793-1794

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 4 June 1814; Major-General 19 July 1821; Lieutenant-General 10 January 1837; General 1851

Died: London 28 November 1854.

William FENWICK

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 July 1807; Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Holloway)

Early Service: Served in North America 1790-1807

Service 1793-1815: Commanded Nova Scotia Company 1801; CRE at Cork 1807-1815; CRE at Portsmouth 1815-1817

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 4 June 1814

Died: Portsmouth 1817.

Sir Alexander BRYCE, Kt.

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 778

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 25 April 1808; Lieutenant-Colonel 24 June 1809 (vice Johnstone); Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Humfrey)

Service 1793-1815: Commanded RMA detachment in Egypt 1801; commanded RMA detachment at capture of Ischia and Procida 1808

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 4 June 1814; Brigadier-General in Mediterranean 1814; Major-General 27 May 1825

Later Service: Inspector-General of Fortifications 1829-1832

Awards & Honours: CB

Died: London 4 October 1832.

Lieutenant-Colonels

AGC = Army Gold Cross (clasps in brackets)

LAGM = Large Army Gold Medal (clasps in brackets)

SAGM = Small Army Gold Medal (clasps in brackets)

MGSM = Military General Service Medal (Silver Medal) (clasps in brackets)

Elias DURNFORD

Born: Hampshire 1739

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 15 December 1786

Early Service: Served at Belle Isle and Cuba 1762-1763; Surveyor-General of West Florida; commanded garrison and taken POW at Mobile 1781

Service 1793-1815: Commanded RMA company at Plymouth 1789; CRE with Grey's force to Ostend 1793; Chief Engineer in West Indies 1794

Died: Of fever on Tobago 21 June 1794.

Robert PRINGLE

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 18 November 1790; Lieutenant-Colonel 2 May 1792

Early Service: CRE Newfoundland 1772-1783; Chief Engineer at Gibraltar 1783-1785

Service 1793-1815: Served on Grenada 1793

Died: Of fever on Grenada 17 June 1793.

Thomas HARTCUP

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 27 November 1793; Lieutenant-Colonel in Royal Invalid Engineers 1798

Early Service: Served in American Revolution; served at Penobscot 1778-1784

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 26 January 1797; Major-General 25 September 1803; Lieutenant-General 25 October 1809; General 12 August 1819

Died: London 1820.

Henry RUDYARD

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 308

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 3 March 1797 (vice Mulcaster); Lieutenant-Colonel in Royal Invalid Engineers 1801

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 30 October 1805; Major-General 4 June 1811; Lieutenant-General 12 August 1819

Thomas SKINNER

Born: Berwick upon Tweed 1759

Relations: Son of Captain William Skinner

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 1 January 1800; Lieutenant-Colonel 18 April 1801 (vice Twiss);

Service 1793-1815: Served at Gibraltar; served at Newfoundland 1790-1803; commanded 6th (Plymouth) Company RMA 1806

Retired: 1808

Died: France 6 February 1818.

John MACKELCAN

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 349

Born: 1759

Relations: Alleged illegitimate son of King George III (not verified)

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 1 January 1798; Lieutenant-Colonel 13 July 1805 (vice Shipley)

Service 1793-1815: Commanded Guernsey Company 1801; commanded 8th (Guernsey) Company RMA 1806

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 25 April 1808; Major-General 4 June 1811

Retired: December 1814

Died: 22 December 1838.

Ralph Henry BRUYERES

Born: Montreal c.1765

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 July 1806

Service 1793-1815: Served in Flanders 1793; served at Helder 1799; served in Canada 1800-1814; CRE North America 1812-1815

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 1 March 1813

Died: Quebec 15 May 1814.

Robert PILKINGTON

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 810

Born: London 1765

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 24 June 1809; Colonel 1 December 1815; Colonel-Commandant 28 March 1830

Service 1793-1815: Served in Quebec 1790-1802; served at Walcheren 1809

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 27 May 1825

Later Service: Inspector-General of Fortifications 24 October 1832

Died: London 6 July 1834.

Sir Richard FLETCHER, Bt.

Born: Ipswich 1768

Relations: Son of Rev. Richard Fletcher

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel in Portugal 2 March 1809; Lieutenant-Colonel 24 June 1809

Early Service: Served in Royal Artillery 1788-1790; served in West Indies 1791-1796

Service 1793-1815: Served in Syria 1798-1799; served in Egypt 1799-1802, taken POW in 1800; commanded 4th (Portsmouth) Company RMA 1806; commanded RMA detachment at Copenhagen 1807; served in Peninsula August 1808 to August 1813; CRE during Corunna campaign; CRE April 1809 to August 1813; oversaw construction of Lines of Torres Vedras; wounded at Badajoz

Awards & Honours: KCH; AGC (Tal Bus CR Bad Vit SS)

Died: Killed at San Sebastian 31 August 1813.

Henry EVATT

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 811

Born: c.1768

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 24 June 1809; Colonel-Commandant 1832

Service 1793-1815: Served on Guadeloupe 1794; served on Dominica 1795; served at Puerto Rico 1797; served at Helder 1799; commanded 9th (Gibraltar) Company RMA 1806; CRE Cueta 1810-1814; CRE Ceylon 1815

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 27 May 1825

Died: Kent 27 January 1851.

George HAYTER

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 28 May 1810

Service 1793-1815: Commanded 1st (Woolwich) Company RMA 1806

Died: May 1812.

William Henry FORD

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 812

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 May 1811; Lieutenant-Governor of the Royal Military Academy

Service 1793-1815: Commanded 3rd (Dover) Company RMA 1806-1820

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 27 May 1825

Died: Woolwich 7 February 1829.

Frederick William MULCASTER

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 813

Born: Florida 1772

Relations: Son of Major-General Frederick George Mulcaster

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 May 1811; Colonel 7 February 1817; on half-pay August 1817

Service 1793-1815: Served in Portugal and Minorca 1797-1798; staff positions in Mediterranean 1799-1802; Inspector of Royal Gunpowder Factories December 1803; CRE Bourbon and Mauritius 1812-1817; Inspector General of Fortifications 16 July 1834 (until 1845)

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 27 May 1825; Lieutenant-General 28 June 1838

Died: Canterbury 28 January 1846.

William GRAVATT

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 988

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel Royal Invalid Engineers 1 May 1811; Inspector-General at Woolwich

Service 1793-1815: Served at capture of Trinidad 1797

Charles William RUDYARD

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 3 March 1812

Retired: December 1814.

Philip HUGHES

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1160

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel of Royal Invalid Engineers 14 May 1812

Service 1793-1815: Served in Flanders 1793; served at Toulon 1793; served on Corsica 1794-1797; served on Elba 1797; served in Canada 1799-1815; CRE Upper Canada 1813-1814

Retired: 1828.

Sir Howard ELPHINSTONE, Bt.

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1287

Born: 1773

Relations: Eldest son of Captain John Elphinstone RN

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 21 July 1812; Colonel 2 December 1824

Service 1793-1815: Served at Cape of Good Hope 1795-1800; served in Egypt 1801; served in South America 1807; served in Peninsula August and September 1808, wounded at Rolica; again in Peninsula February 1813 - April 1814

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 10 January 1837

Awards & Honours: CB; SAGM (Rol Nivelles Nive); Baronet 25 May 1816

Died: Hastings 28 April 1846.

Elias Walker DURNFORD

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1288

Born: 1774

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 21 July 1813

Service 1793-1815: Served in West Indies in 1794, taken POW at Point a Pitre; served in Newfoundland 1809-1815

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 10 January 1837; Lieutenant-General 1846

Later Service: CRE at Quebec 1816-1831

Retired: 1837

Died: Tunbridge Wells 8 March 1850.

Sir George WHITMORE

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1289

Born: 1775

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 21 July 1813

Service 1793-1815: CRE on Malta 1811-1829

Later Service: Major-General 10 January 1827; Lieutenant-General 9 November 1846

Awards & Honours: KCH

Died: Amiens 19 November 1862.

Frederick Rennell THACKERAY

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1290

Born: Windsor 1775

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 21 July 1813; Colonel 2 June 1825; Colonel-Commandant 20 June 1854

Service 1793-1815: Served in West Indies and Surinam 1799; served in Egypt 1807; served in Sicily 1807-1812; served in Ionian Islands; served on East Coast of Spain August 1812 - April 1814

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 10 January 1837; Lieutenant-General 9 November 1846; General 20 June 1854

Later Service: CRE Scotland 1824; CRE Ireland 1833-1837

Awards & Honours: CB

Died: Bagshot 19 November 1860.

Henry Anderson MORSHEAD

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1291

Born: Henry Anderson in Limerick 1774 (assumed Morshead surname in 1805)

Relations: Son of Colonel Henry Anderson

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 21 July 1813; Colonel 18 July 1825

Service 1793-1815: Served in Flanders 1793-1794; served on San Domingo 1798; CRE on Madeira 1807

Later Service: CRE Malta 1829; Acting Governor of Malta 1831

Died: Malta 11 November 1831.

Stephen Remnant CHAPMAN

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1144

Born: Taunton 1776

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 26 April 1812; Lieutenant-Colonel 21 July 1813

Service 1793-1815: Served in West Indies 1796-1797; served at Helder 1799; served at Copenhagen 1807; served in Peninsula April 1809 - February 1811

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 29 July 1825; Major-General 10 January 1837; Lieutenant-General 9 November 1846

Later Service: Governor of Bermuda 1831-1839; Colonel-Commandant of Royal Engineers 1850

Awards & Honours: CB; SAGM (Bus)

Died: Taunton 6 March 1851.

John Francis BIRCH

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1292

Born: 1776

Relations: Son of Rev. Thomas Birch

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 21 July 1813

Service 1793-1815: Served in Egypt 1801; commanded RMA detachment to Hanover 1805; served at Copenhagen 1807; served in Peninsula August 1808 - January 1809; served at Walcheren 1809; served at Cadiz March 1810 - March 1811

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 10 January 1837; Lieutenant-General 9 November 1846

Awards & Honours: MGSM (Egypt Bar)

Died: June 1856.

John HANDFIELD

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1293

Born: Rhode Island 1779

Relations: Eldest son of Charles Handfield, Commissary-General in Ireland

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 21 July 1813

Service 1793-1815: Involved in coastal defences in England 1803-1815

Died: London 8 January 1821.

Gustavus NICHOLLS

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1310

Born: 1780

Relations: Son of Lt Gustavus Nicolls, 1st Foot

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 1 September 1813; Colonel 29 July 1825; Colonel-Commandant July 1851

Service 1793-1815: Served at Gibraltar 1795-1798; served in West Indies 1799; served in Canada 1808-1837

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 10 January 1837; Lieutenant-General; General 20 June 1854

Later Service: CRE Canada 1815-1837

Died: Southampton 11 August 1860.

Sir James Carmichael SMYTH, Bt.

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 808

Born: London 1779

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 20 October 1813

Service 1793-1815: Served at Cape of Good Hope 1795-1808; commanded RMA detachment at Cape of Good Hope 1805; served in Peninsula October 1808 - January 1809; CRE in Netherlands 1813-1814; CRE at Waterloo; ADC to King 29 June 1815

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 29 June 1815; Major-General 27 May 1825

Later Service: Governor of Bahamas 1829-1833; Governor of British Guyana 1833-1838

Awards & Honours: CB; KCH

Died: British Guyana 4 March 1838.

George Thomas LANDMANN

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1383

Born: Woolwich 1780

Relations: Son of Professor Isaac Landmann of Woolwich Military Academy

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel in Spanish Engineers 22 February 1809; Colonel of Infantry in Spanish Army 25 March 1810; Lieutenant-Colonel in Royal Engineers 16 May 1814 (vice Bruyeres)

Service 1793-1815: Graduate of Royal Military Academy; served in Canada 1797-1802; commanded 10th (Gibraltar) Company 1806; served at Cadiz and Peninsula May 1808 - March 1812; commanded Spanish infantry regiment 1810-1811

Later Service: Chief Engineer of London & Greenwich Railway

Awards & Honours: SAGM (Vim); MGSM (Rol Bar); Naval General Service Medal 23 November 1810

Retired: 29 December 1824

Died: London 27 August 1854.

Cornelius MANN

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1515

Born: 1780

Relations: Son of General Gother Mann

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 30 September 1814 (vice Dickens)

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 29 June 1825; Major-General 10 January 1837

Died: Kent 1841.

George WRIGHT

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1530

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Rowley)

Service 1793-1815: Served in Canada

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 29 July 1825; Major-General 10 January 1837; Lieutenant-General; General 9 November 1846

Died: Cheltenham 1856.

John HASSARD

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1531

Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice De Butts)

Service 1793-1815: Served in Mediterranean

Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 29 July 1825; Major-General 10 January 1837

Later Service: CRE in Ionian Islands 1830-1837

Died: Malta 1848.

Sir Charles William PASLEY

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1212

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 27 May 1813; Lieutenant-Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Mackelcan)

Service 1793-1815: Served at Maida 1806; served at Copenhagen 1807; served in Peninsula October 1808 - January 1809; served at Walcheren 1809; primarily engaged in RE training and instruction; Director of School of Military Fieldworks at Chatham 1812

Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 23 November 1841

Awards & Honours: MGSM (Maida Cor); KCB

Died: 19 April 1861.

Henry GOLDFINCH

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1317

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 21 September 1813; Lieutenant-Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Rudyard)
Service 1793-1815: Served at Hanover 1805; served at Copenhagen 1807; served in Peninsula May 1809 - February 1812; POW at Douro but escaped; again in Peninsula July 1812 - April 1814
Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 23 November 1841
Awards & Honours: CB; MGSM (Tal Bus Pyr); SAGC (Vit Nive Ort Toul); KCB
Died: 21 November 1854.

James Robertson ARNOLD

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1532

Born: Philadelphia 1781
Relations: Son of Benedict Arnold
Regimental Service: Lieutenant-Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Fenwick)
Service 1793-1815: Served in Egypt 1801; served at Surinam 1804
Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 23 November 1841; Lieutenant-General 1851
Later Service: CRE Nova Scotia and New Brunswick 1816-1823
Awards & Honours: KC; KH
Died: London 27 December 1854.

John Fox BURGOYNE

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1158

Born: 1782
Relations: Illegitimate son of General Sir John Burgoyne
Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 27 April 1812; Lieutenant-Colonel 20 December 1814 (vice Bryce)
Service 1793-1815: Served at Malta 1800; commanded RMA detachment to Egypt 1807; served in Peninsula August 1808 - January 1809; again in Peninsula May 1809 - April 1814; wounded at Burgos and San Sebastian; CRE at New Orleans 1815
Brevets & Staff Service: Major-General 1838; Lieutenant-General 11 November 1851; General 5 September 1855
Later Service: CRE in Portugal 1826; CRE in Crimea 1854-1856
Awards & Honours: CB; SAGC (CR Bad Sal SS Nive); MGSM (Bus CR Nivelle); KCB; GCB; Baronet 1856; Constable of the Tower of London 1856
Died: London 7 October 1871.

Senior Captains

James MONCRIEFF

Regimental Service: Captain 10 January 1776; brevet Lieutenant-Colonel; commanded RMA company at Gosport 1787-1788; CRE in Flanders 1793
Early Service: Served in North America
Brevets & Staff Service: Brevet Colonel 18 November 1790
Died: Killed in action before Dunkirk, 6 September 1793.

John Thomas JONES

Royal Military Calendar Entry: No. 1159

Regimental Service: Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 27 April 1812; Lieutenant-Colonel 11 November 1816
Service 1793-1815: Served in Peninsula
Awards & Honours: CB
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