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13TH LONDON REGIMENT (PRINCESS LOUISE'S KENSINGTON REGIMENT)

Among the troops who fought in Sicily were the Kensingtons, who left North Africa for the first campaign on European soil late in July.

They took part in the operations on the central front, and distinguished themselves in the actions in the Centuripe area, which ended in the capture of the mountain stronghold on August 2nd. Later they were in action to the west of Mount Etna, and helped to capture Adrano and other towns in the difficult country among the volcano's lower slopes.

The Regiment now forms part of the Middlesex Regiment, (Duke of Cambridge's Own).

The Regiment has a great reputation and fought gallantly with the 51st Division in Tunisia, particularly distinguishing itself in the attack on strong German positions to the west of Homs.

The Kensingtons have been associated with the Highlanders from the early days of this war. They fought with them in France, in the actions which ended at St. Valery. They were in the line in the Metz area from May 1st. They were withdrawn from the Contact and Scutien lines on the 15th May after engaging the enemy in hard fighting, the Ligne de Receuil being still held by two companies.

Few units can have been engaged in more travel during the brief campaign. From the 21st-31st May they moved from St. Arivaux Chenes through Hautecourt, Vitry, Liancourt St. Pierre to Foucarmont where they came into divisional reserve. Three days later they were with the 4th Black Watch defending the line of the River Bresle and two days afterwards they were heavily involved when the Germans attacked the entire divisional front. Day after day the Kensingtons withdrew towards Havre, resisting fiercely against prodigious odds as they fell back. They finally left France on 12th June, embarking at Cherbourg.

The Kensingtons fought in South Africa between 1900-02. They raised three battalions in the Great War and served on the Western Front, in Macedonia and in Palestine. Neuve Chappelle, Somme, 1916, Cambrai 1917, 1918, Gaza and Jerusalem are among their battle honours.

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