

# Lorne Scots to Receive Colors At World Plowing Match in Fall

This is the fourth of a series of articles dealing with the history of the Lorne Scots. In October, the Peel-Dufferin-Halton militia unit will be presented with its colors by a representative of Her Majesty, during the World Plowing Match at Major Coms Smythe's Caledon Farms. All former members of the unit are invited to attend the ceremony and all head social functions. Send your name and address to Chairman Invitations Committee, Lorne Scots, 48 John St., Brampton, Ont.

## The Peel Regiment 1921

The Peel and Dufferin Regiment 1921 - 1936  
After the Great War the 3rd Peel Regiment was reorganized by General Order No. 18 of 1921 as the Peel Regiment. Headquarters and two companies were located in Toronto but little progress was made toward building up an efficient regiment so that in 1922 a further reorganization took place. All companies were relocated in the county and other personnel were to be residents of the county. By General Order No. 61 of 1923 the designation of the regiment was amended to the Peel and Dufferin Regiment. Headquarters and A Company were located at Hamilton, B Company at Inglewood and D Company at Orangeville.

Early in 1923 the regiment requested and received permission from Sir Robert Peel to use part of his crest as a Regimental Badge, namely the Lion and Shute. The cap badge, bearing the Regimental Crest, is officially described as being a demilion rampant gorged and collared, charged with three bezants, between the paws a shuttle; beneath a scroll bearing the motto "Pro Aris et Focis". The collar badge adopted was identical but without the scroll. Later a regimental button was authorized, being the regimental crest superimposed on a brass button.

During the year 1929 the Peel and Dufferin Regiment became allied with the Lancashire Fusiliers, one of the most famous units in the British Army. Permission was also received to wear the white facing of the Lancashire Fusiliers.

The Colors  
On the 19th of October, 1925 the regiment was concentrated in Brampton and paraded to Rosalea Park to receive from the Peel Regiment Chapter, Imperial Or-

der Daughters of the Empire, their King's Colour. Following the dedication of the colour by the Regimental Chaplain, the Regent of the Order formally presented the Colour to the regiment. The funds for the purchase of the Regimental Colour were provided in the year 1924 by the County Council of Peel. However, it was not until 1930 that the final design was approved and the regiment was granted its battle honours.

On the 22nd of May, 1930, the regiment paraded to Rosalea Park, Brampton, to receive its Colour from His Excellency, the Right Honourable Viscount Wellington, G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.B.E., Governor General of Canada, in the presence of a large number of citizens.

During these years, training was carried out annually at local headquarters and at short Brigade or Regimental weekend camps. Many of these camps were held at Regimental expense, especially during the depression years of 1929-1933, when public funds were not available. These training periods and other regimental activities were made possible by the splendid support from the Peel and Dufferin County Councils, who each year made substantial contributions to the Regimental Funds. It is noted that in the year 1932 the authorized training allotment for the regiment had been reduced to 100 all ranks for a period of only four days.

## The Halton Rifles 1920

The Lorne Rifles (Scottish) 1931 - 1936  
Following the Great War the regiment was reorganized by General Order No. 68 of 1920 as The Halton Rifles. Battalion headquarters and one company were located in Georgetown with the other companies at Milton, Oakville and Burlington. In March, 1926, an alliance was proclaimed between the Halton Rifles and the Royal Ulster Rifles. Like other militia units, the Halton Rifles suffered severely from the curtailment of training allowances during these years, and in addition, constant shifting of personnel to larger centres seriously weakened the regiment. In the late 1920's it was decided to renew the Scottish connection established in 1881 in order to stimulate recruiting and revive interest in the regiment. After a period of negotiations the Halton Rifles were redesignated as the

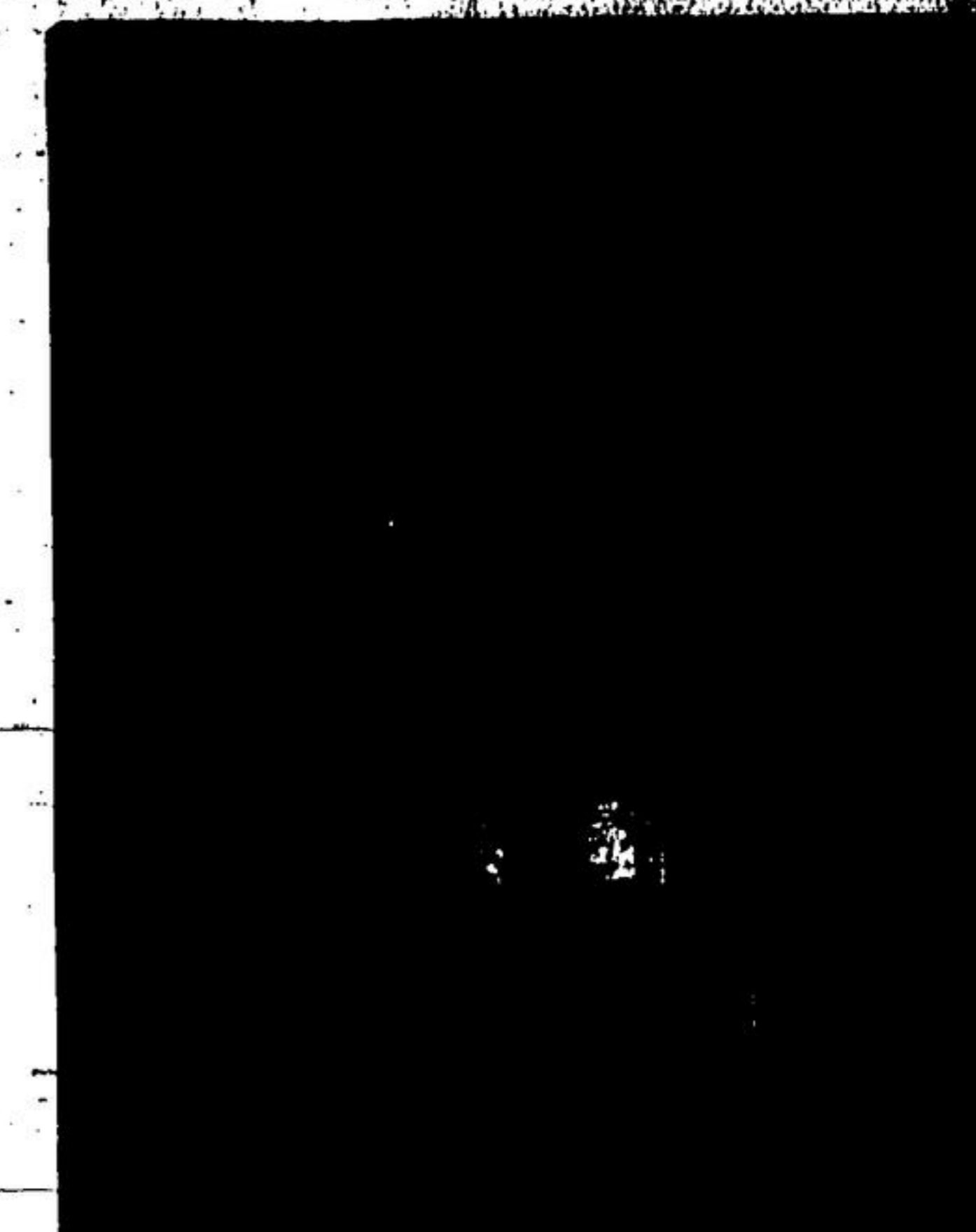
Lorne Rifles (Scottish) by General Order No. 134 of 1931.

With the adoption of the word "Lorne" in the regimental title, His Grace the Duke of Argyll, was approached for permission to use a Campbell Tartan. The Duke, being without an heir, also retained the title "Marquis of Loring". Consent was readily granted and His Grace, the Duke suggested that the regiment use his personal tartan, the ordinary Campbell of Argyll, and also his crest, the Boat's Head. His tartan was the original tartan of the clan and his crest the most ancient. The Cap Badge is described as follows: At the base a scroll inscribed The Lorne Rifles (Scottish) immediately above the thistles, symbolic of a Scottish Regiment, resting on three bugles as used by rifle regiments, at the centre of the inside curve of the bugle a maple leaf for Canada; the whole surmounted by the Boat's head resting upon a heraldic wreath. The Collar Badge is described as: A Boat's Head resting upon a heraldic wreath.

During the early nineteen-thirties despite the lack of adequate training allowances, training was carried out annually at local Headquarters with short periods under canvas either at Long Branch or Niagara on the Lake. These camps were made possible by the cooperation of all ranks who turned their pay to Regimental Funds in order to defray expenses. It is interesting to note that in 1934 the Regiment attended camp at Niagara on the Lake over 200 strong. Transportation was by the Steamship Brockville, which docked at Oakville, where the Regiment embarked. On Saturday 13th October, 1934, for the first time the Regiment was able to parade for the District Officer Commanding. Inspection reports in their new dress, Tartan Trousers and Glengarry. Over 300 all ranks were present and were highly complimented by the Inspecting Officer on their smart appearance.

## The Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regt.)

In 1936 a general reorganization of all militia units in Canada was carried out. This involved a decrease in the number of Infantry regiments and an increase in the number of other units, particularly Artillery and Machine Gun, and was, insofar as possible, to be effected by mutual arrangements between units



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Lorne into consideration the fact that the counties of Peel, Dufferin and Halton would make a very compact Regimental area and that a friendly rivalry had always existed between the Peel and Dufferin Regiment and the Lorne Rifles, a mutual agreement was soon arrived at. This was given effect by General Order No. 779 of 1936 by which the Peel and Dufferin Regiment and the Lorne Rifles were disbanded and the Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment) was authorized as of 15th December, 1936. On amalgamation, the new regiment proceeded at once to reorganize and it was not very long before the new organization was functioning smoothly. Brampton was selected as Regimental Headquarters,

companies were located at Port Credit, Oakville, Georgetown and Orangeville. Annual camps at Niagara were well attended and training at the various Company Headquarters was thorough and intensive.

## Badges and Dress

With the disbandment of the Peel and Dufferin Regiment and the Lorne Rifles (Scottish) it was now necessary to obtain approval from His Grace the Duke of Argyll and Sir Robert Peel to incorporate their crests in the badge of the newly formed Lorne Scots Regiment. Permission was readily given and the badge and dress formally approved are as follows: To perpetuate the badge of the Peel and Dufferin Regiment the cap badge described as follows: In silver or white metal, Issuing from a heraldic wreath a demilion rampant, gorged with three bezants, holding between the paws the shuttle, below a scroll inscribed "Pro Aris et Focis," the whole flanked by sprays of maple leaves and thistle blossoms surmounted with the Imperial Crown and resting upon a scroll inscribed "The Lorne Scots" (Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment). The collar badge was to perpetuate the badge of the Lorne Rifles (Scottish). In silver or white metal, a Boat's Head crested resting upon a heraldic wreath. The shoulder badge is to be in white metal. The sword "LORNE" above "SCOTS" in 9/32 inch plain block letters. The

buttons to be brass, showing the Royal route on University Avenue.

## Alliances

As the alliance already in effect with the Lancashire Fusiliers and the Royal Ulster Rifles had proven satisfactory, permission was sought to continue these affiliations. This was given effect by General Order No. 80 of 1934 as follows: His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve that the alliance between the former Peel and Dufferin Regiment and the Lancashire Fusiliers, and between the former Lorne Rifles (Scottish) and the Royal Ulster Rifles, be continued as The Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin, and Halton Regiment) Non Permanent Active Militia Canada, effective 9th May, had the honour of being part of 1938.

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