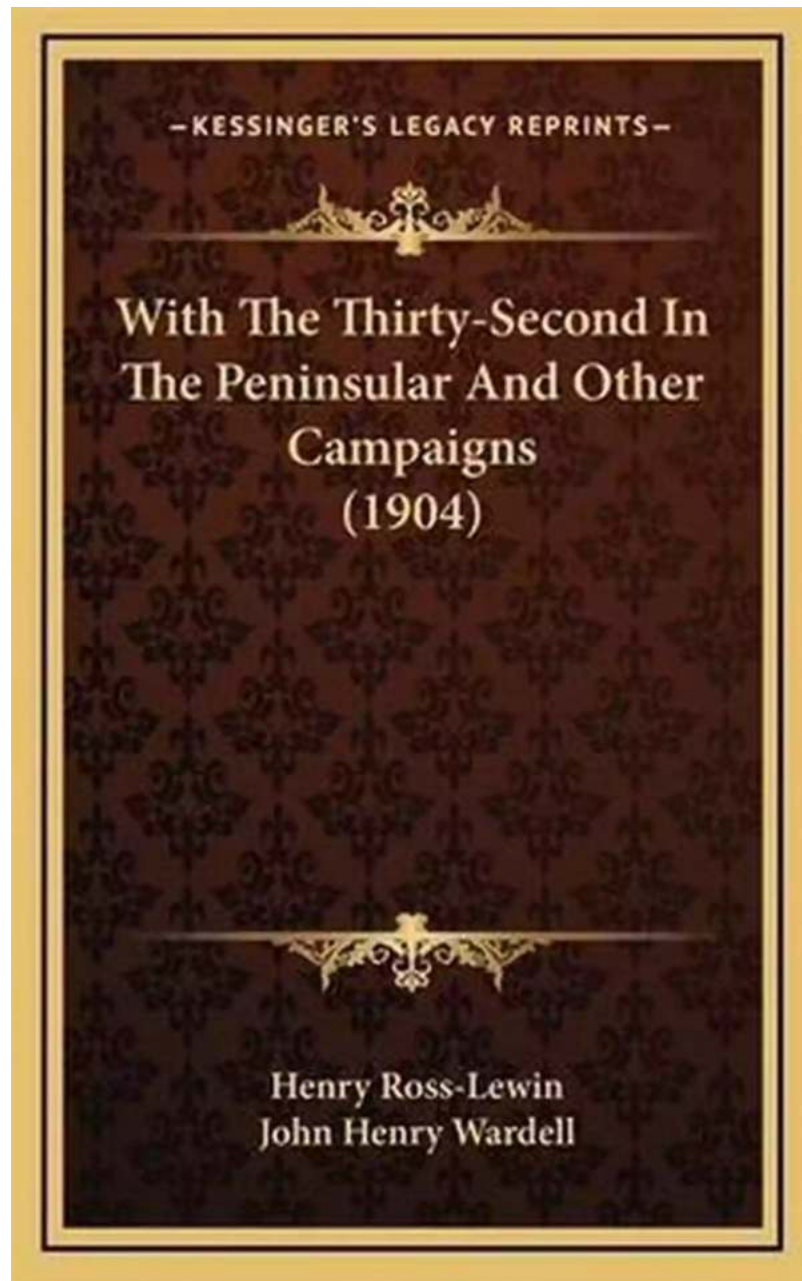


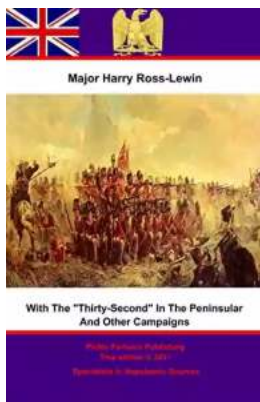
Unveiling the Heroics: With The Thirty Second In The Peninsular And Other Campaigns



The Peninsular Campaign, also known as the Peninsular War, was a remarkable chapter in military history, characterized by fierce battles, strategic maneuverings, and heroic feats. Within this extraordinary endeavor, the Thirty Second Regiment

of Foot played a vital and distinguished role, leaving an indelible mark on the grand tapestry of warfare.

In this riveting exploration, we delve into the extraordinary experiences of the Thirty Second Regiment in the Peninsular Campaign and other notable campaigns. Prepare to be captivated as we unravel the heroic stories and prominent contributions of these brave soldiers.



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The Peninsular Campaign: A Herculean Struggle

The Peninsular Campaign, fought between 1808 and 1814, witnessed an alliance between the British forces and their Portuguese and Spanish counterparts against the mighty French Empire. The objective was to liberate the Iberian Peninsula from the French occupation, ultimately leading to Napoleon Bonaparte's downfall.

Amidst this immense struggle, the Thirty Second Regiment, equipped with sublime discipline, unwavering courage, and unyielding loyalty, emerged as

veritable heroes. Their battles were grueling, their losses heart-wrenching, but their determination remained unshaken.

The Battle of Albuera: Defiance Amid Chaos

One of the most significant engagements for the Thirty Second Regiment in the Peninsular Campaign was the Battle of Albuera in 1811. Amidst the thunderous roar of cannons and the cries of fallen soldiers, the Thirty Second fearlessly fought against overwhelming odds.

Their unwavering spirit and steely determination proved critical in withstanding the onslaught of the French forces. With their bayonets fixed and their ranks unbroken, they exemplified true defiance in the face of chaos. Their resilience inspired their comrades and earned them unwavering respect from the enemy.

The Retreat to Corunna: A Harrowing Journey

As the Peninsular Campaign unfolded, the Thirty Second Regiment faced various trials, none more challenging than the infamous Retreat to Corunna in 1809. By then, fatigue and losses had taken their toll, yet their resolve never wavered.

Enduring harsh weather, relentless pursuit, and excruciating hardships, the regiment displayed sheer determination and selflessness. Their valiant defense against the French ensured the successful evacuation of the British army, saving countless lives in the process.

Their unwavering heroism amidst formidable adversity is etched in history, forever immortalizing their sacrifices.

The Legacy Continues: Other Campaigns and Heroisms

Beyond the Peninsular Campaign, the Thirty Second Regiment continued to showcase their heroics in subsequent conflicts. From their deployment in the West Indies to the Napoleonic Wars in the Netherlands, they consistently proved their mettle on the battlefield.

The Battle of Waterloo: A Final Triumph

In one of their last major engagements, the Thirty Second Regiment fought valiantly in the climactic Battle of Waterloo in 1815. Alongside other British and Allied forces, they faced the relentless assault of Napoleon's Army with unwavering determination.

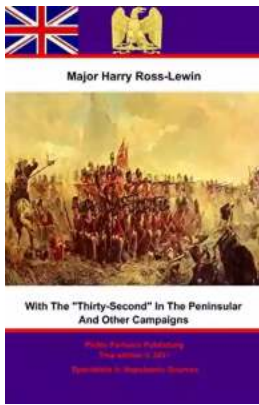
Their steadfastness and unwavering discipline contributed significantly to the eventual victory. The Thirty Second Regiment stood firm amidst the chaos of the battlefield, securing their place in history as an exemplar of military prowess.

Remembering the Heroes: Honoring Their Sacrifices

The legacy of the Thirty Second Regiment cannot be understated. Their gallantry and sacrifices for the greater cause will forever be commemorated. Monuments, memorials, and remembrance ceremonies stand as testaments to their brave deeds, ensuring the memory of their heroics lives on.

As we reflect upon the extraordinary feats of the Thirty Second Regiment in the Peninsular Campaign and other campaigns, let us pay tribute to the indomitable spirit of these brave soldiers. Their unwavering courage, selfless sacrifice, and unwavering loyalty embody the very essence of heroism.

May their remarkable stories inspire generations to come, reminding us of the immeasurable strength that can be found within the human spirit and the transformative power of camaraderie in the face of adversity.



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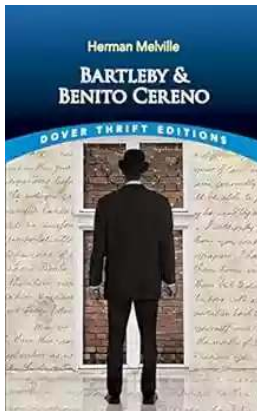
Although the 32nd Regiment was primarily recruited in and around Cornwall, leading to many scraps with the Navy for manpower, in its ranks during the Napoleonic wars the two Irish brothers of the Ross-Lewin family fought, the elder brother Harry left an exciting and vibrant account of his campaigning.

His adventures took him from the West Indies, engagements with rebel Irishmen, Copenhagen, even before his arrival in the Peninsular to start his campaigns under Wellington in 1808. His first major trial under fire begins at Rolicca and Vimiero, before he and his brave men are sent off to the pestilent climes of Walcheren. Returning to the Spain once again he is heavily engaged during the battle of Salamanca, during which he is wounded, once mended his service takes him onward to France via a number of battles at Bayonne, Orthez and Toulouse. During his campaigning he suffers the loss of his brother Edward and writes touchingly of his bravery before he fell. His account of the Waterloo campaign is amongst the best that survive, accurate and vividly written, he was lucky to survive the culminating battle as his regiment was one of the most severely depleted.

Major Ross-Lewin originally wrote three volumes of his memoirs of his time in the British army under the title of "The Life of a Soldier, by a Field Officer" in three

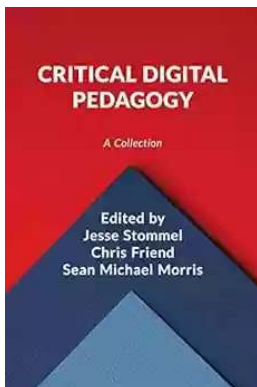
volumes; this edition has been expertly trimmed the then reader of Modern History at Trinity College, Dublin.

This work shares the tone of his countryman William Grattan's memoirs, with a wry view of the antics of his soldiers, an eye for the details of what passed before him, interspersed with battle vignettes that convey the fire and confusion of battle.



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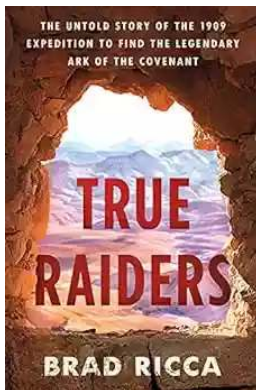
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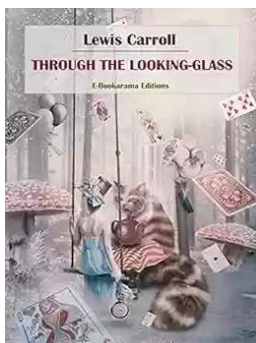
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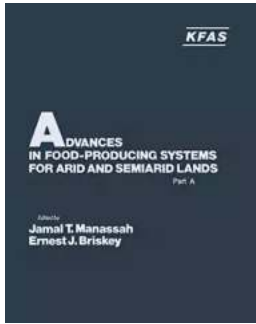
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