

Mounted Sentinels take post :  
16th The Queen's Lancer.  
5th Royal Irish Lancer.

**MUSIC**

The Regimental March "Aliwal"

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**THE 16th/5th LANCERS.**

The 16th The Queen's Lancers were raised in 1759 as Light Dragoons, and shortly afterwards served in the American War of Independence. The Regiment is famed for its part in Wellington's Campaigns and long service during the Indian Wars.

It has the distinction of being the only Lancers Regiment to wear Scarlet Tunics, Crimped Pennon and Plumes. The Regimental March, "Aliwal" is named after the Regiment's famous charge at that Battle in 1846.

The 5th Royal Irish Lancers were raised in 1689 by the Governor of Inniskilling. They played a conspicuous part in Marlborough's Campaigns and then had many years service in Ireland.

In 1858 they went to India and later served in the Gordon Relief Expedition. This was followed by distinguished service in South Africa.

Throughout the Great War both Regiments served together and when the amalgamation of Cavalry Regiments took place in 1922, were brought together permanently.

His Majesty King Alphonse XIII of Spain became the first Colonel in Chief of the 16th/5th Lancers. The Regiment served at home, Egypt and India, and on the outbreak of War in 1939, left its horses there to become mechanised.

In 1947 Her Royal Highness The Princess Elizabeth became Colonel in Chief.