THE SEARCHLIGHT TATTOO 4919.

The Colour Parties, Escorts to the Colours and the Company Guard of the 1st Battalion The Royal Lincolnshire Regiment (10th Foot).

MUSIC

Entry: The Lincolnshire Poacher

Slow March : "The Colours"

The General Salute

OF

The Royal Salute: "God Save The King"

Exit: "The Lincolnshire Poacher"

THE ROYAL LINCOLNSHIRE REGIMENT

In 1685, The 10th Regiment of Foot was one of several Regiments of Infantry and Cavalry raised to suppress the Duke of Monmouth's Rebellion.

The first Colonel was the Earl of Bath, and the Regiment therefore was known also as the Earl of Bath's Regiment. Their uniform consisted of single-breasted blue coats with long full skirts - the 10th were the only Regiment in the British Army to wear blue - with red waistcoats, breeches and stockings.

The Colours that you see on parade today are amongst the oldest in the British Army. Those of the 1st Battalion (carried by the Colour Party nearest to B & C Stands) were presented in 1863 by the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland. Those of the 2nd Battalion (which is now amalgamated with the 1st Battalion and whose Colours are carried in front of A Stand) were presented in 1859 by General Lord GOUGH, also in Ireland.

Nicknames of the 10th Foot are "The Springers" and "The Poachers". The former was gained for their quickness and mobility whilst fighting in the American War of Independence. The latter of course comes from the Regiment's famous March "The Lincolnshire Poacher".

During the 264 years of their existence, the 10th Foot or The Royal Lincolnshire Regiment, have served and fought all over the world. No more need be said than that they have always acquitted themselves in accordance with the best traditions of the English County Regiment.