

Dedication of Colours in Dornoch Cathedral.
Sunday 26th August, 1951.

Rev. Wm. MacLeod M.A. Chaplain to Dornoch Branch, and Rev. Wm. Edgar, M.A., Minister of Dornoch Cathedral, will conduct the service.

Parade Commander - Captain J.G. Macdonald, T.D., D.L.

TIME OF ARRIVAL.

1. Visiting branches should arrive Dornoch by 14.15 hours.
2. Branches will debus in the Square.
3. Empty vehicles will park under direction of Police.
4. FALL IN.
 - (A) Marker from each branch will report to Mr. Thomas Munro.
 - (B) Branches will fall in in three ranks under own Commanders.
 - (C) Colour Parties will take post in front of own branches.
 - (D) Massed Bands will fall in on right flank.
 - (E) The parade will be inspected by Major General H. Macdonald, C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O., D.L.

5. MARCH OFF

The parade will march off on Command of Parade Commander and march by Bridge Street and High Street entering Cathedral by west door.

Branches will fill up pews from the front in west aisle.

Colour Parties will be seated in the Chancel.

SERVICE.

6. Necessary instructions will be given by officiating Ministers during the service.
7. Colours of visiting branches will be held at the "Order" throughout the service except during the National Anthem when they will be brought to the "Carry".

LEAVING CHURCH.

Order of Leaving.

8. By North Door - Colour Parties, Bands, Branches.
9. By South Door - Major General Macdonald and party, who will proceed direct to saluting base at County Buildings..

MARCH PAST.

10. The parade will reform in High Street facing Cathedral in following order:- Massed Bands, Massed Colours, Branches.
11. The words of Command "Eyes Right" and "Eyes Front" will be given by Branch Commanders.
12. Massed Colours after passing saluting base will wheel right and form up on right of platform.
13. Necessary instructions for Pipe Bands will be issued on arrival by Pipe Major Neish, Dornoch.
14. FALL OUT.

Colour Parties. Bands and Branches will fall out under their own Commanders after the March Past, and proceed to the Territorial

HYMN 632

God bless our native land;
God's al-protecting hand
Still guard our shore:
May peace her sway extend,
For be transformed to friend,
And Britain's power depend
On war no more.

Lord God, our monarch bless;
Girded with righteousness,
Long may he reign!
His heart inspire and move
With wisdom from above;
Throned on a nation's love,
His power maintain.

Break, Lord, all lawless might;
Founded in truth and right,
Stablish our laws;
God of all equity,
Set Thou the captive free;
Give the poor liberty,
Judge Thou his cause.

Nor on this land alone,
But be Thy mercies known
From shore to shore.
Lord, make the nations see
All men should brothers be.
One league, one family,
One, the world o'er.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

God save our gracious King.
Long live our noble King,
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
God save the King!

THE BENEDICTION.

After the Blessing, the Minister will take the Standard and return it to the Bearer, who, with the Standard at the "Carry" and accompanied by his supporters, will thereupon precede the members of the Legion in procession following the Clergy from the place of Service. The congregation will remain in position till the Clergy and Legion members have passed.

Times, Glasgow.

THE BRITISH LEGION (SCOTLAND) DORNOCH and DISTRICT BRANCH

DEDICATION OF KING'S COLOURS AND BRANCH STANDARD

on

SUNDAY, 26th AUGUST, 1951,

At 3 p.m.

in

DORNOCH CATHEDRAL

Order of Service

PSALM 100

ALL people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell,
Come ye before Him, and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed,
Without our aid He did us make,
We are His flock, He doth us feed;
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise.
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good.
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure. AMEN.

During the singing of the Hymn, the Standard Bearer and his two supporters will move forward to the Chancel Steps.

**PRESENTATION OF COLOURS BY
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Then shall the Chaplain or officiating Minister say:

BRETHREN, we are met together in the presence (and House) of God to take part in the hallowing and dedication of the Standard of the Branch of the British Legion established in this place: and to witness thereby to the noble ideals and great purposes, inspired by Almighty God, which animate the members of the Legion—such purposes being the succour of those our brethren who fought in the War and who have fallen out by the way of life, the care of the widows, orphans and other dependants of those who served, the fostering of brotherly love and comradeship among all its members, the remembrance of the ideals for which we fought in the Great War, and of our fellow citizens who then laid down their lives for us: and also the preservation of true loyalty and devotion to our King and Country at all times, and in all places.

To this end I call upon the members of the Legion and the whole congregation here present, to offer humble prayer to Almighty God, that He will bless this Standard now to be dedicated to His Glory, and that He will inspire the members of the Legion to carry out with a single heart and devoted purpose the high aims for which they are joined in fellowship.

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PRAYERS.

OUR FATHER, which art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil, For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. AMEN.

O LORD GOD of our fathers, Who didst lead this people through the countless sufferings of the Great War, Keep us, we beseech Thee, ever mindful of Thy mercy; pour Thy blessing upon the peoples over whom Thy Servant GEORGE, our Sovereign Lord the King, is ruler; unite us in the bond of brotherhood and in the service of our country; that the offering of our life's work may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

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My table thou hast furnished
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Goodness and mercy all my life
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