

79th Camerons of Canada

True bearers of Erracht's tradition
Fighting Ladies from Hell
Battled to and back from perdition
Answering their nation's call

At Regina Trench Col Thompson fell
In the blood and fire of the Somme
At Bellvue Spur Shankland carried the day
Winning eternal renown

In 23 Queen's Own we were named
For service in the first war
In 39 we mobilized again
The Hun was at it once more

Alec Graham in the bow stood tall
Piping us ashore at Dieppe
Pushed furthest inland before the recall
Only half the battalion was left

Davy Rogers killed thirteen and took twenty-four
At Goch-Calcar by himself
Downgraded by Monty to DSO
The Canadians have already enough

At home in time of flood and fire
We've seen and done it all
When the people's need is dire
The Camerons answer the call

Onto Bosnia, Croatia or Cyprus,
Peacekeeping is the new game
Be it Camp Mirage or Kabul you send us
To a Cameron it's all the same

Canadian hei'landers one and all
Either by choice or by birth
Here's to the Camerons short and tall
The 79th's proven its worth