HISTORICAL RECORD

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THE SEVENTIETH,

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THE SURREY REGIMENT OF FOOT.

THE repose granted to Europe by the treaty of Aix-1756 la-Chapelle was interrupted by the aggressions, made by the French, on the British territory in America. War between the two kingdoms speedily followed; and a considerable augmentation was made to the strength of the British army in the winter of 1755, and in the spring of 1756. On that occasion a second battalion was added to the THIRTY-FIRST regiment, then commanded by Major-General Henry Holmes, and stationed in Great Britain.

In 1758 the second battaliou of the THIRTY-FIRST 1758 foot was constituted a regiment, which was numbered the "SEVENTIETH" in the British line. It was stationed in North Britain; its facings were light grey; it contained in its ranks many men who were natives of Scotland, particularly of Glasgow, and they were commonly called the "GLASGOW GREYS."

The colonelcy of the SEVENTIETH regiment was conferred on Colonel John Parslow, from captain and

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