

obedience to their wish or from true instinct, brought it back to the women who had worked it.

After the evacuation of York by the Americans the banner was restored to the regiment, and was carried through every engagement in which it took part.

After the close of the war, in 1815, the lapse of years of peace lessened the necessity of keeping up the militia, and the 3rd York Regiment, although continuing for many years to hold its annual parade on the 4th of June, King George the Third's birthday, by subsequent changes made in the militia, soon existed only on paper.

After the death of Colonel Duggan the banner was lost sight of, and it is due only to the determined and persevering search of years that we have it here to-day.

The Hon. George Allan, ably assisted by Mr. Henry Duggan, ultimately discovered it, together with the Queen's colors, in the attic of the Normal School, forgotten, tattered and discolored.

He had them conveyed to his home, and to a woman we owe the present state of preservation of our banner.

Mrs. Allan, with clever ingenuity and deft fingers, spread it on a breadth of white net, placed the worked design in its original position, covered it all with a second width of net, and by stitching it through kept it intact; then, sewing the fringe round the outer edge, preserved the remains as we have them to-day.

Need I say more to justify my choice of our motto, taken from a banner worked by women, to hearten the men in defence of their homes, cared for