

tremendous send-off, eclipsing that of the previous Saturday, the men making a gallant display, and when the steamship Aberdeen cast off her moorings there was a mighty demonstration at the quay.

As on the previous Saturday, the city was gaily decorated, the streets lined with eager faces, who, cheering lustily, followed up the rear, until the quay was reached. As the Aberdeen steamed slowly down the harbor, she was accompanied by every ferry-boat crowded to excess. The boats were responsible for the tremendous din they raised, which was to indicate the overcharged feelings of the citizens, and amid the blaze of bands, the shouts of thousands of people, the waving of hats, the tears of relatives and loved ones, and the good wishes of everybody the contingent had gone.

#### EVERY MEMBER A LOYAL PATRIOT.

On the 15th of November, the Newcastle people were favored, as the port of departure of another detachment of troops. Newcastle was selected. Sydney so far had been the centre of operations, and Newcastle rose to the occasion, and gave to the men a very hearty send-off. In the course of an address to the men, the mayor said all hoped they would have an opportunity of winning the laurels they deserved, and he was satisfied that each member of the contingent would prove a credit to the Empire for which he was about to fight. Until the steamship Langton Grange had passed out of sight, the people vented their feelings in the popular songs of the day and hearty cheering.

The departure of the steamship Warrigal with the members of "A." Battery, was not accompanied by any public demonstration, but nevertheless they were accorded quite as genuine a send-off as the previous contingents by the great numbers who gathered on the quay to witness their embarkation. It was thought advisable to defer a public demonstration, until the departure of another and larger body of men. They sailed away after very spirited addresses by ministers and others. They are described as the best in the service, and a model of what will be in the future the commonwealth artillery.