

The 20th Century Battle Song, entitled

"DOWN GOES THE KAISER"

Tune: "John Brown's Body."

John Bull is angry and the Kaiser raises his ire,
Now the British are advancing without orders to retire,
You can bet your bottom dollar that we will never cease fire,
As our troops go marching on.

CHORUS

Down goes the Kaiser like a sour apple tree
(Repeat three times).
As our troops go marching on.

With the courage that is fervent in each noble-hearted breast,
For the honour of Old England we will do our level best,
The brave sons of old Britannia put the Kaiser to the test
As our troops go marching on.

CHORUS

There is a hill called Vimy, on the Western Front, you know;
They thought we could not take it, so we had to let them know,
That nothing is impossible when the Canadian makes a vow,
As our troops go marching on.

CHORUS

So we tamped it on top and we sapped it down below,
And we made it just so hot, so they thought they'd better go;
Then we made one final charge, then Vimy Ridge was ours,
As our troops go marching on.

CHORUS

And we'll never, never tarry, till we've conquered every foe,
With our Allies and Sir Douglas Haig, on to Berlin we will go;
And the Kaiser will go crazy when we strike the final blow,
As our troops go marching on.

CHORUS

Good luck to the boys who came from Canadian shores
To fight for old England as they did in days of yore;
With their glory and their pluck they have made the Kaiser sore,
As our troops go marching on.

CHORUS

When the cruel war is over we will sit around the hearth,
Mid the ties that always bind us to our loved ones on this earth,
And we hope grim war in future for old Britannia proves a dearth,
As our troops go marching on.