

War of Three Kings, Ireland, 1688-91

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Order of Battle/Record of Engaged Units

Army of James II

Horse

Royal Regiment of Horse

Boyne

Red turned back blue

Viscount Galmoy's

Moyry Pass

Limerick

Abercorne's

Aughrim

Colclough's

Limerick (1691)

Kilmarnock's

Limerick (1690)

Luttrell

Enniskillen

Sligo (1689)

Dublin Garrison (winter 1689)

Aughrim

Parker's

Boyne

Aughrim

Pendergast's

Aughrim

Purcel

Boyne

Limerick (1691)

Sarsfield's

Ballyshannon

Sligo (1689)

Cavan

Boyne

Ballineety Raid

Castle Birr

Aughrim

Sheldon's

Boyne

Aughrim

Limerick (1691)

Sunderland's

Boyne

Aughrim

Duke of Tyrconnell's

Boyne

Westmeath's

Dragoons

Maxwell's

Boyne
Limerick (1690)
Althone (1691)

Lord Clare's

Derry
Boyne

Clifford's

Limerick (1690)
Limerick (1691)

Cotter

Lord Dungan

Boyne

Maxwell's

Boyne

O'Brien

Sligo
Boyne

O'Gara's

Boyne

O'Neill's

Boyne

White turned back brown

Talbot's

Limerick (1690)

Foot

Royal Regiment of Foot Guards

Derry
Boyne
Aughrim

Red turned back blue

Earl of Antrim's (Scots/Antrim) ("Redshanks")

Derry
Boyne
Althone
Aughrim
Limerick

White turned back red

Barret's

Waterford Garrison

Bagenal's

Derry

Lord Bellew's

Derry
Moyry Pass
Newry (1690)
Ballymore Fort
Aughrim (*Lord Bellew captured and dies of wounds*)
Red turned back tawney

Berwick's

Enniskillen
Derry
Cavan

Limerick (1690)

Castle Birr

Cork

Limerick (1691)

Maj. Gen Boisseleau's

Newry

Boyne

Limerick (1690)

Limerick (1691)

Bophin's

Aughrim

Bourke's

Lanesborough

Ballymore Fort

Aughrim

Burke's

Duncannon

Butler's

Derry

Cavanaugh's

Waterford Garrison

Earl of Clancarty

Derry

Butchers Gate

Boyne

Cork

Aughrim

Galway

Clifford's

Lanesborough

Ballymore Fort

Limerick (1691)

Dillon's

Ballymore Fort

Aughrim

Galway

Limerick (1691)

Dorrington's

Aughrim

Lord Duncan

Boyne

Eustace's

Limerick (1690)

Ballymore Fort

Red turned back yellow

Fitzgerald's

Althone

Lord Grand Prior's (Fitzjames)

Dublin Garrison (winter 1689)

Boyne

Limerick (1690)

Althone (1691)

Aughrim

Limerick (1691)

Red turned back white/red breeches

Galmoy

Enniskillen
Siege of Crom Castle
Newry (1690)
Lord Galway's
Bir Castle
Gormanston's
Ballymore Fort
Goughegan
Ballymore Fort
Grace's
Althone (1690)
Althone (1691)
Hamilton's
Dromore
Derry
Pennyburn Mill
Boyne
Coleriane
Aughrim
Lord Iveagh's
Drogheda Garrison during Battle of the Boyne
Lord Louth's
Newry (1689)
MacCarty Mor's
Carrickfergus
Owen MacCarty
Carrickfergus
MacDonogh's
Sligo (1691)
Ballyshannon
MacElligott's
Boyne
Cork

Maguire's
Aughrim
McMahon's
Limerick (1690)
Althone
Moore's
Ballymore Fort
Sligo
Aughrim
Nugent's
Derry
Kenagh
Cavan
O'Donnell (Ulster) (Went over to William III at Sligo)
Sligo (1691)
O'Gara's
Jamestown
Sligo (1691)
Althone
O'Neale's
Derry
O'Regan
Charlemont

Sligo (1691)
Cormack O'Neill's
Althone
Gordon O'Neill's
Aughrim
Limerick (1691)
Red turned back red
Oxburgh's
Bir Castle
Ballymore Fort
Scott's
Kinsale
Slane's
Aughrim
Earl of Westmeath's
Limerick
Wauchope
Cavan
Limerick (1690)
Althone (1691)
Limerick (1691)

Viscount Montcashel's (later Lee's) (entered French Service April 18 1689)

Enniskillen
Newtownbutler
Crom Castle
Red turned back ?

Fielding (later disbanded) (entered French Service April 18 1689)

Enniskillen
Newtownbutler
Crom Castle
Red turned back ?

Dillon (entered French Service April 18 1689)

Enniskillen
Newtownbutler
Crom Castle
Red turned back black

O'Bryan (later Claire's) (entered French Service April 18 1689)

Enniskillen
Newtownbutler
Crom Castle
Red turned back ?

Richard Butler (later disbanded) (entered French Service April 18 1689)

Enniskillen
Newtownbutler
Crom Castle
Red turned back ?

French (Arrived 19 April 1689 and departed 12 September 1690)

Foot

De Biron

Boyne

De Brouilly

Boyne

Conrad von Zurlauben's Blue Regiment (Swiss/German)

Boyne



Contemporary Image of the Army of James II

Army of William III

Dutch

Horse

William's Horse Guards

Boyne

Boncour's

Boyne

Aughrim

Ginkel's

Boyne

Althone (1690)

Aughrim

Ballymore Fort (1691)

Galway

Monopvillian's

Boyne

Aughrim

Nieuwenhuy's

Boyne

Lord Portland's

Boyne

Aghrim

Riedesel's

Boyne

Schack's

Boyne

Aughrim

Dragoons

Eppinger's

Boyne

Duncannon Fort

Aughrim

Reidesell's

Boyne

Aughrim

Foot

Dutch Blue Foot Guards

Boyne

Brandenburger Foot

Limerick (1690)

Cutt's

Aughrim

Limerick (1690)

Limerick (1691)

Van Graben's

Aughrim

Nassau-Saarbrucken-Ottweiler

Aughrim

Limerick (1691)

Wurtemberg

Limerick (1690)

Cork

Kinsale

Tettau

Limerick (1690)

Cork

Kinsale

Danish

Horse

Donop's

Boyne

Aughrim

Shested's

Aughrim

Juel's

Limerick (1691)

(? unnamed at Limerick 1690)

Foot

Foot Guards

Boyne

Prince Christian's

Boyne

Dronningen's (Queen's)

Boyne

Prince Frederick's

Boyne

Funen

Boyne

Jutland

Boyne

Zealand

Boyne

(? unnamed at Limerick 1690)

(six unnamed at Aughrim)

(one unnamed at Althone 1691)

Huguenot

Horse

Duke of Schomberg's 88-90/ Ruvigny's 90 on

Boyne

Althone

Aughrim

Limerick (1691)
Grey
Luistadt
Aughrim
Meinhard Schomberg's
Boyne
Grey
Montpoullion's
Aughrim
Grey

Dragoons
La Forest
Cork
Aughrim
Grey
Miremont's
Grey

Foot
Caillemote's/Belcastle's
Boyne
Limerick (1690)
Aughrim
Grey
Cambon's
Boyne
Limerick (1690)
Cork
Aughrim
Galway
Grey
La Meloniere's
Sligo
Boyne
Limerick (1690)
Cork
Aughrim
Grey

English, Irish and Scots Regiments

Horse
Life Guards
Boyne
Lord Blaney's (Armagh)
Coleraine
Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Byerley's
Boyne
Compton's
Aughrim
Coy's

Boyne
Lanier's (Queen's Regiment of Horse)
Boyne
Castle Bir
Aughrim
Laggan Horse (Donegal)
Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Langston's
Boyne
Murray's (Londonderry)
Derry Garrison (Apr-Aug 89)
Earl of Oxford's (Royal Irish Regiment of Horse)
Boyne
Aughrim
Blue turned back red
Forward's (Inishowen)
Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Russell's (Enniskillen)
Enniskillen Garrison
Sligo
Boyne
Villier's
Boyne
Raid of Ballyneety
Aughrim
Red turned back red
Wolseley's (Enniskillen)
Newtown-Butler
Boyne
Althone
Aughrim
Red turned back green/red breeches

Dragoons

Cunningham's (Scots)
Aughrim
Red turned back white
Cunyngham's (Enniskillen)
Enniskillen Garrison
Boyne
Aughrim
Sligo (1691)
Grey
Eppinger's
Boyne
Waterford
Heyford's
Boyne
Levinson's
Boyne
Aughrim
Limerick (1691)
Montjoy's (Tyrone)
Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Rawdon's (Londonderry)
Dromore

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Wynne's (Enniskillen)
Enniskillen
Crom Castle
Newtownbutler
Sligo (1689)
Cavan
Boyne
Althone (1691)
Aughrim
Grey

Foot

Princess Anne's of Denmark's

Boyne
Cork
Limerick (1690)
Kinsale
Limerick (1691)
Red turned back yellow/yellow breeches

**Babington's (1688-91)/ Prince George of Hesse-Darmstadt
91 on**

Carrickfergus
Boyne
Althone (1691)
Aughrim
Limerick (1691)

Baker's (Londonderry)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Derry Garrison (Apr-Aug 89)

Beaumont's

Aughrim
Limerick (1691)

Beresford (Antrim)

Coleraine

Lord Blaney's (Armagh)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Bolton's

Cork
Kinsale

Brewer

Aughrim
Galway

Canning/Crofton (Londonderry)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Lord Charlemont's (Londonderry)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Chichester's (Dungannon)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Churchill's

Cork
Kinsale

Coldstream Guards

Boyne

Coleraine (Londonderry)

Derry (Mar-Apr 89)

Collier's

Cork

Limerick (1691)

Colyear

Cork

Kinsale

Red turned back yellow

Corry (Enniskillen)

Enniskillen Garrison

Douglas' (Scots Guards)

Boyne

Limerick (1690)

Althone (1690)

Bir Castle

Jamestown

Ballimore

Red turned back white/white breeches

Earl of Drogheda's (Belfast)

Boyne

Blue

Edmonstone's (Antrim)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Erle's (Irish)

Limerick (1690)

Aughrim

First Guards

Boyne

Fitzpatrick's

Cork

Foulke's

Boyne

Aughrim

Limerick (1691)

Garvagh's (Derry)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Hales's

Cork

Red turned back red

Hamill's

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Derry Garrison (Apr-Aug 89)

Gustavus Hamilton's 89-90/ Creighton's 90 on (Enniskillen)

Enniskillen

Crom Castle

Newtown-Butler

Aughrim

Gustavus Hamilton's 89 (augmented by 6 companies of Montjoy's)

Boyne

Al;thone

Limerick (1690)

Aughrim
Limerick (1691)
Red turned back red
Hanmer's
Relief of Derry
Boyne
Althone (1691)
Limerick (1691)
Red turned back red or tawney (?)

Hasting's
Killiekrankie (Scotland)
Boyne
Cork
Kinsale
Red turned back yellow with yellow breeches

Herbert's
Boyne
Aughrim
Galway
Blue turned back white

Johnson's (Tyrone)
Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Kirke's (Queen Dowager's Regiment)
Relief of Derry
Boyne
Limerick (1690)
Bir Castle
Waterford
Aughrim

Red turned back green/green breeches

Lisburn's (Newtonbutler)
Boyne
Lanesborough
Aughrim
Lloyd's (Enniskillen) 89-90/ George Hamilton's 90 on
Enneskillen
Newtown-Butler
Ballyshannon
Sligo (1689)
Ballysadare
Boyne
Aughrim
Galway
Limerick (1691)

Red turned back green

Luttrell's (1688-91)
Boyne
Aughrim
Blue turned back yellow 1688-89
Red turned back yellow 1689 on

Marlborough's
Cork

Maxwell's (Down)
Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Edgeworth's/Earl of Meath's (Irish)

Carrickfergus
Boyne
Limerick (1690)
Aughrim
Limerick (1691)

Melville's (Earl of Leven) (Scots)

Killiecrankie (Scotland)
Ballymore
Althone
Aughrim
Galway
Limerick (1691)

Red turned back yellow

Mervin's (Armagh)

Derry Garrison (Mar- Apr 89)

Monmouth's

Cork
Kinsale

Montjoy's (6 companies augmented Gustavus Hamilton's)

Derry Garrison (Mar- Apr 89)

Murray's (Londonderry)

Siege of Derry (Apr-Aug 89)

Pennyburn Mill

Duke of Norfolk's 89/Bellasis 89 on

Carrickfergus
Boyne
Althone
Aughrim
Galway

Red turned back buff

O'Donnell (Ulster) Went over to William III at Sligo

Sligo (1691)

Parker's/Lance's (Coleraine)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Pennyburn Mill
Derry Garrison (Apr-Aug 89)

Phillip's (Londonderry)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Skeffington's Jan-Aug 1689/ Mitchelburne's Londonderry (Antrim Volunteers)

Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)
Windmill Hill
Derry Garrison (Apr-Aug 89)
Boyne
Sligo (1691)

Steuart's

Relief of Derry Garrison
Boyne
Limerick (1690)
Aughrim

Red turned back tawney

St George's

Relief of Derry

Charlemont's/Baker's/ St John's (Londonderry)

Dromore
Derry Garrison (Mar-Apr 89)

Windmill Hill
Derry Garrison (Apr-Aug 89)
Boyne
Aughrim
Galway

Tiffin's (Enniskillen)

Enniskillen Garrison
Newtown-butler
Ballyshannon
Sligo (1689)
Derry
Boyne
Castle Birr
Aughrim
Galway
Limerick (1691)

Grey turned back white

Torrington's

Cork
Kinsale

Trelawney's (Queen Consort's Regiment)

Boyne
Cork
Kinsale
Limerick (1691)

Red turned back yellow/yellow breeches

Verner's

Limerick (1691)

Rawdon's/Walkers/White's/Caulfield's (Londonderry)

Dromore
Coleraine
Derry Garrison (Mar-Aug 89)
Windmill Hill
Derry Garrison (Apr-Aug 89)
Retained after Siege

Winchester's

Cork

Wharton's (89)/ Brewer's (89 on)

Boyne
Aughrim

Whitney's/Monro's (Londonderry)

Derry Garrison (Apr-Aug 89)



Raising the Enniskillen Regiment

Battles and Sieges

2 March 1689 Justin McCarthy occupies Bandon

12 March 1689 King James II lands at Kinsale

December - August 1689 Actions around Enniskillen by Enniskillen forces

18 December 2 companies established under Cpts. Allen and Malcome Cathcart

January Enniskillen Regt formed under Col. Gustavus Hamilton and LTC Lloyd

20-24 Mar Siege of Crom Castle

24 Apr Raid on Omagh
Burning of Augher
Raid on Monaghan

4 May Belleek

Late May Redhill

Ballynacarrig
Kells
Finna

3 June Raid on Omagh

11 June Raid on Omagh

17 June Belturbet

8 July Cornegrade

20 July Enniskillen organizes into Wolsely's Horse, Wynne's Dragoons, Hamilton's
Foot, Lloyd's Foot and Tiffins's Foot

31 July Crom Castle
Lisnaskea
Newtown-Butler

18 April - 1 August 1689 Siege of Derry

Actions around Derry by Regiments in Derry

14 March 1689 Dromore

27 March 1689 Coleriane

14 April 1689 Cladyford

21 April Pennyburn Mill

5 May Windmill Hill

28 June Butchers Gate at Derry

4 June Windmill Hill

May 1689 Ballyshannon

1 May- 30 Sep 1689 operations around Sligo

May 1689 – 14 June 1690 Siege of Charlemont

13 August 1689 Schomberg lands at Bangor Bay

20-27 August 1689 Siege of Carrickfergus

21 September 1689 Dundalk

January 1690 Siege of Kenagh Castle

7 June 1690 Ballymore Fort

14 June 1690 William III lands at Carrickfergus

22 June 1690 Skirmish at Moyry Pass

22 June 1690 Newry

1 July 1690 Battle of the Boyne

17-24 July 1690 Siege of Althone

21-26 July 1690 Siege of Duncannon Fort

23-24 July 1690 Siege of Waterford

9-30 August 1690 Siege of Limerick

13 August 1690 Ballineety Raid

Sep 1690 Althone

12 September 1690 Castle Birr

28 September 1690 Cork

3 October 1690 Kinsale

December 1690 Jamestown

27 December 1690 - 8 January 1691 Lanesborough

21-30 June 1691 Siege of Althone

June 1691 Ballymore Fort

12 July 1691 Aughrim

19- 28 July 1691 Galway

25 August – 3 October 1691 Siege of Limerick

10 - 15 September 1691 Seige of Sligo



Contemporary Image of the Death of Schomburg

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Jan Wyck's Painting of the Battle of the Boyne

The Boyne Water

July the first, of a morning clear, one thousand six hundred and ninety,
King William did his men prepare—of thousands he had thirty-
To fight King James and all his foes, encamped near the Boyne Water;
He little feared, though two to one, their multitude to scatter.

King William called his officers, saying: "Gentlemen, mind your station,
And let your valour here be shown before this Irish [nation](#);
My brazen walls let no man break, and your subtle foes you'll scatter,
Be sure you show them good English play as you go over the water."

Both foot and [horse](#) they marched on, intending them to batter,
But the brave Duke Schomberg he was shot as he crossed over the [water](#).
When that King William did observe the brave Duke Schomberg falling,
He reined his [horse](#) with a heavy heart, on the Enniskillenes calling:

"What will you do for me, brave boys—see yonder men retreating?
Our enemies encouraged are, and English drums are beating."
He says, "My boys feel no dismay at the losing of one commander,
For [God](#) shall be our [King](#) this day, and I'll be [general](#) under."

Within four yards of our fore-front, before a shot was fired,
A sudden snuff they got that day, which little they desired;
For [horse](#) and man fell to the ground, and some hung on their saddle:
Others turned up their forked ends, which we call coup de ladle.

Prince Eugene's regiment was the next, on our right hand advanced
Into a field of standing [wheat](#), where Irish [horses](#) pranced;
But the [brandy](#) ran so in their heads, their senses all did scatter,
They little thought to leave their [bones](#) that day at the Boyne Water.

Both men and horse lay on the ground, and many there lay bleeding,
I saw no sickles there that day—but, sure, there was sharp shearing.
Now, praise [God](#), all true [Protestants](#), and [heaven](#)'s and [earth](#)'s Creator,
For the deliverance he sent our enemies to scatter.
The [Church](#)'s foes will pine away, like churlish-hearted [Nabal](#),
For our deliverer came this day like the great Zorobabal.

So praise [God](#), all true [Protestants](#), and I will say no further,
But had the Papists gained that day, there would have been open murder.

Although King James and many more were ne'er that way inclined,
It was not in their power to stop what the rabble they designed.

Lillibulero

Ho! brother Teague, dost hear the decree?
Lillibulero bullen a la, (repeated after each line)
Dat we shall have a new deputy?
Lillibulero bullen a la.

Refrain:
Lero, lero, lillibulero,
lillibulero, bullen a la
Lero, lero, lillibulero,
lillibulero, bullen a la.

Ho! by my soul, it is de Talbot,
And he will cut all de English throat.

Though, by my soul, de English do praat,
De law's on dare side, and Creish knows what.

But if dispencc do come from de Pope,
We'll hang Magna Charta and dem in a rope.

And de good Talbot is made a Lord,
And with brave lads is coming abroad.

Who all in France have taken a sware,
Dat dey will have no Protestant heir.

Ara! but why does he stay behind?
Ho' by my soul, 'tis a Protestant wind!

But see, de Tyrconnel is now come ashore,
And we shall have commissions galore.

And he dat will not go to mass
Shall be turn out, and look like an ass.

But now de hereticks all go down,
By Creish and St. Patrick, de nation's our own.

Dare was an old prophecy found in a bog,
" Ireland shall be ruled by an ass and a dog".

And now dis prophecy is come to pass,
For Talbot's de dog, and James is de ass.