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THE TIPPERARY REGIMENT OF MILITIA

The Tipperary Militia, raised in 1793 and 28th in the ballot of precedence among the 38 units on 8 August 1793, were a ten-company unit of 560 rank-and-file initially, before being augmented to 764. Units of eight companies or over were denominated regiments.

They are not listed by Sir Henry McAnally as having been involved in any of the principal engagements in 1798 (*The Irish Militia 1793-1816*, London and Dublin, 1949, pp. 324/5). He does, however, record that when the force was disembodied after the signing of the peace of Amiens, the Tipperary militia “gave trouble when they were refused their clothes”.

Their agitation worked. They were allowed to take away their uniforms “for their own use as a boon from the king!” — Pádraig O Snodaigh.

