Uniform plates - 15th Battalion, 1889, 1910, 1915 and 1926

Introduction A

visit to Loppetorvet at Israels Plads in Copenhagen brought me - for the modest sum of DKK 10.00 in total - two excellent uniform plates, which come from the book: *Contribution of 15de Bataillons Historie* by K:C. Rockstroh et al., Kø benhavn 1928.

The plates were selected from a larger collection of various clippings and plates, mainly with motifs from the Danish Army in the 17th and 18th centuries. Those interested are advised to visit the site.

About the 15th Battalion

In the Textbook for the Army's Privates, 1946, the following is stated:

The battalion was established on 1 October 1778 (Names: 1778 Laalandske Infanteri Regiment, 1785-1842 Holstenske Infanteri Regiment) was originally a Holstein unit that garrisoned in Rendsborg until 1852. Then it was located in Helsingør until 1868, from where it came to Copenhagen. It has participated in the wars 1807-14 and 1864. On its banner is: *Stralsund 1809, Bornhøved 1813, Sehested 1813, Dybbøl 1864.*

In Lærebog for Hærens menige, 1954 is added:

The 15th, 18th, 21st and 24th Battalions are attached to the 1st Regiment as local defense battalions.

In the Lærebog for Hærens menige, 1959, the 15th Battalion no longer appears.

The planks

With the help of Source 1, the designer's signature can be translated to Thor Sick-Petersen, who further states that the book contains six plates which are reproductions of drawings from the Tøjhusmuseet.

I refer to Danish infantry uniforms over 200 years by AN Hvidt for a detailed description of the uniforms shown more.

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