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Sergeant John Colby 43rd Regiment of Foot

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Sergeant John Colby of the 43rd Regiment of Foot.

Having rank chevrons on both sleeves denotes his regiment's designation of Light Infantry.

**Carte de Visite
J. F. Church - Photographer
Curragh Camp, Kildare, Ireland
c. 1870's**

43rd (Monmouthshire) Regiment of Foot

The **43rd (Monmouthshire) Regiment of Foot** was an infantry regiment of the British Army. It was raised as Thomas Fowke's Regiment of Foot in 1741, renamed the 54th Regiment of Foot in 1747, and became the 43rd Foot in 1751. In 1881 it amalgamated with the 52nd (Oxfordshire) Regiment of Foot, to form the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry.

Prior to amalgamation, the regiment was involved in a number of prominent campaigns. These included the Seven Year's War, American War of Independence, where they were captured at Yorktown in 1781, a lengthy involvement in the Peninsular War against Napoleon, the Battle of New Orleans against General Jackson in 1815, the Indian Mutiny and the New Zealand land wars.



Regimental Cap Badge of the 43rd Regiment of Foot