

They were at the same time exposed to a galling discharge of gibes from the populace and spectators, which they bore without flinching; and, indeed, I have often had the satisfaction of admiring their constancy in sustaining banter.

The Cowbridge Yeomanry Cavalry are a most formidable force in respect of weight of man and metal. Some of them are fifteen stone and upwards; and their pockets are full of money.

Your Grace will have inferred, from what has been above mentioned, that the men are in excellent condition, owing to the liberal allowance of beef and beer with which they provide themselves. I believe I am justified in stating that better trenchermen never stood in trenches. Their efficiency in the use of the knife and fork would warrant the commendation that they are

masters of their weapons, if, on parade, their swords were less apt to hang in their scabbards.

The Band of the Cowbridge Yeomanry Cavalry must not be dismissed without a word of comment, the singular variety of the instruments which it includes being remarkable. I would take the liberty of suggesting that it might be improved by the addition of a violin.

I have the honour to be, &c.,

(Signed) **PUNCH.**

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