

They Trooped the Colours

Men of the No. 2 Construction Battalion--
Canadian, Yankee, West Indian--
Sailed and marched to trenches on two fronts:
Battle they had to twice, not once.
Fought they to join in the Great War--
Defeat the foe and win sweet Honour;
And they sought to wrought Equality--
The human right to civil Dignity--
To down those who Supremacy craved,
Believing Africans best off enslaved
Or oppressed. But these soldiers *de couleur*
Proved no human being is inferior,
And established there's never true Peace
Unless each Society knows true Justice.
These men--Canadian, Yankee, West Indian,
African--were all of Liberty's dominion.