

2nd/5th Bn Manchester Regt (Territorial Force) – Raised in Wigan Nov 1914

Brief history, Cemetery and Memorial records and casualty reports extracted from War Diaries

Introduction

After the 1st/5th Battalion Manchester Regt left for Egypt in September 1914, a second line battalion, designated 2nd/5th Battalion was formed in Wigan in November 1914. It was initially made up of Territorials from the 5th Battalion who had not signed up for service overseas.

In recording casualty figures, most war diaries record the names of officers and just refer to the remainder of the troops as other ranks. The 2/5th Bn war diaries are fairly unique in that as well as officers they also record the names of NCO's and private soldiers. This has enabled me to list all the killed, wounded or missing and locate their graves or memorial if they have no known grave, and also previous regiments served in. The exception is March 1918 during the German Spring Offensive when the British Army was in withdrawal all along the Western Front. The War Diary is very sketchy during this period and information on casualties had to be gained from other records.

In the fog and confusion of war it is inevitable that clerical errors will be made, the 2/5 Bn war diaries have the deaths of several soldiers incorrectly recorded, regarding date of death, service number, first names or initials etc. It is also inevitable that there will be transcription errors. There are discrepancies between the 'British Soldiers Killed in the Great War' records and the Commonwealth War Graves Commission records. These have been amended as per the official CWGC records.

Active Service

As part of 199 Brigade of the 66th Division, the battalion trained at Southport, followed by a move to Crowborough in Sussex. In 1915 they moved to Cuckfield, near Haywards Heath and then to Peas Pottage, near Crawley. In March 1916 there followed a further move to Colchester in Essex. A year later on 6 March 1917 they sailed from Folkestone to Boulogne on board SS Princess Henrietta to enter the war on the Western Front.

In the press, and in local history accounts of the Manchester Regiment, the exploits of the 1st/5th Bn in Gallipoli and Egypt overshadow their second line unit. In fact, in twelve months of active service between March 1917 and March 1918, the 2nd/5th Bn saw plenty of action.

They first entered the trenches on 19 March 1917 and suffered their first fatalities of the war three days later when three men were killed by poisonous gas and one accidentally shot by rifle fire. During their first tour of the trenches they suffered six killed and nine wounded. At the end of March 1917 the battalion strength stood at 44 officers and 985 other ranks.

On the night of 8 June 1917 nearly 300 men of the battalion conducted a large-scale night raid on the German trenches at Cambrin, to the east of Bethune. They suffered 59 casualties, consisting of four killed, 49 wounded and six missing in action.

The battalion took heavy casualties in the action at Poelcapelle during the Battle of Passchendaele in October 1917. Between April 1917 and February 1918 the war diary shows that the battalion suffered 98 killed in action, 314 wounded and 23 missing in action.

In March 1918 they again suffered heavy casualties in France during the German Spring Offensive. Initially a composite battalion was made up from the remnants of the various companies. It was then decided not to bring the Battalion back up to full strength and on 11 April 1918 they were reduced to a training cadre, tasked with instructing the newly arrived American Expeditionary Force in the art of trench warfare.

On 7 May 1918 the war diary of the 1st/5th Bn records that a draft of 80 men arrived from the 2nd/5th Bn which had been broken up.

On 11 May the 2nd/5th Cadre trained the U.S 1st Bn, 326th Infantry Regt at Mons Boubert, on the 22nd the training team moved to Pendre to train the 2nd Bn of the 326th.

By 31 May they were at Coulouvillers, attached to the US 1st Bn, 106th Infantry Regt. They instructed the Americans on the Lewis Gun, musketry, gas warfare, and in the art of scouting, bayonet fighting, bombing, wiring and sanitation.

They stayed with the Americans until they were ready to take over the GHQ Reserve Line on 29th June. The strength of the Cadre at the end of June was 12 officers and 62 other ranks. On 5 July they conducted general training with 159 Bde, 80 Div.

On 22 July the Cadre moved to Haudricourt, between Amiens and Rouen. Here on 31 July 1918 2nd/5th Bn Manchester Regt was officially disbanded. The remnants of the Cadre were then transferred to 1st/5th Bn Manchester Regt who were in Brigade Reserve at Bertrancourt, north west of the town of Albert.

Some facts and figures

During their 12 months of active service the 2nd/5th Manchester's suffered 245 'other ranks' killed in action. Seven Sgts, three L/Sgts, seven Cpls, 21 L/Cpls and 207 Private soldiers gave their lives. Officer casualties have been excluded as they are just listed as 5th Battalion on official records, so might be either from 1st /5th or 2nd/5th Bn's. However one officer is mentioned in the war diary as being killed in action. 2nd Lieut Richard Mellor of 'A Coy' died on 16 June 1917 aged 19 and is buried in Cambrin Military Cemetery.

Soldiers from the battalion are buried in 25 cemeteries in France and 12 in Belgium, 116 have no known grave. They are commemorated on four memorials to the missing, one in Belgium and three in France. There are 41 names on the Tyne Cot Memorial in Belgium, and in France there is one on the Thiepval Memorial, six on the Loos Memorial and 62 on the Pozieres Memorial.

In Ferriere-la-Petite Communal Cemetery in France there is just one military grave, belonging to Pte Edgar Dawson who died 14 Oct 1918. He has no grave number, just the description that he lies alone in the NE corner of the local graveyard.

Seven soldiers died as POWs and were buried by the Germans, but their graves were lost in further fighting. Five were first buried in Le Quesnoy Cemetery and now have Special Kipling Memorials in Valenciennes in France. One was originally buried in Estrees Communal Cemetery and now has a Special Kipling Memorial in St. Souplet Cemetery in France. Pte Arthur Atkinson aged 20 was buried by the Germans on 14 Oct 1918 in Erquelinnes Communal Cemetery, to the south east of Mons in Belgium. The exact location of his grave is unknown but he is commemorated with a Special Memorial within the cemetery.

Five soldiers died in captivity in Germany, Pte's Thomas Hirst and Samuel Sinclair are buried in Cologne, Pte's Maurice Broadhurst and George Firth in Kassel and Pte Samuel Cookson in Berlin.

There are two soldiers buried in England. Cpl Harry Jones died from his wounds on 31 Aug 1917 and is buried in Towcester Road Cemetery in Northampton, he was formerly a member of the Bedfordshire Regt. Pte Harry Rastin died 13 February 1918 and lies in Colchester Cemetery, he was formerly a member of the Royal Berkshire Regt.

The last soldier to die before the signing of the Armistice was 20 year old Pte Walter Philip Hanman of 'B Coy'. He died on 25 October 1918 and lies in St. Symphorien Military Cemetery, near Mons in Belgium. By coincidence it is the same cemetery where the first British soldier to die in 1914 and the last British soldier to die in 1918 are buried.

Cemeteries & Memorials

Cambrin Military Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France (In date order)

202587 Pte James William Kerr died 22 March 1917 aged 19	Grave No. H31
202085 Pte George Elliot died 22 March 1917 aged 28	Grave No. H32
202578 Pte Arthur Wilson died 22 March 1917 aged 19	Grave No. H33
202469 Pte Frederick George Russell died 22 March 1917 aged 19	Grave No. H34
202474 Pte Robert Arthur Newton died 30 March 1917	Grave No. H38
203331 Pte Charles Edward Pelham died 2 April 1917	Grave No. H43
202284 Pte S Moryoseph died 2 April 1917	Grave No. H44
202022 Pte Harry S Kershaw died 2 April 1917	Grave No. H45
202406 Pte James Ainsworth died 2 April 1917	Grave No. H50
203315 Pte Albert Collinge died 2 April 1917	Grave No. H51
202044 Pte William Andrew Williams died 3 April 1917 aged 19	Grave No. H42
201934 Pte Harold Thompson died 6 April 1917	Grave No J2
202573 Pte Stanley Rice died 7 April 1917 aged 28	Grave No J1
202404 Pte Benjamin Walter Leigh died 13 April 1917 aged 19	Grave No. J4
201977 Pte Harold Littlewood (C Coy) died 13 April 1917 aged 19	Grave No. J5
202533 Pte John Heaton died 14 April 1917 aged 19	Grave No. J7
202368 Pte Thomas Russell Wade died 14 April 1917	Grave No. J10
202455 Pte Sidney Mill died 23 April 1917	Grave No. J13
202600 Pte Richard Holden died 23 April 1917	Grave No. J14
202482 Pte Harold Green died 28 April 1917 aged 20	Grave No. J19
220571 Pte Fred Seddon died 29 April 1917	Grave No. J17
200922 Pte William Brown died 4 May 1917	Grave No. J23
202166 Pte George Edgar Underwood died 4 May 1917	Grave No. J24

202351 Pte William Henry Chapman (A Coy) died 27 May 1917 Grave No J49
202027 Pte David Charles Morris died 28 May 1917 Grave No. J50
201051 Sgt Joseph Heyes died 8 June 1917 Grave No K3
202422 Pte William Toulmin (A Coy) died 8 June 1917 Grave No. K4
202070 Pte George Lowe died 14 June 1917 Grave No. K13
----- 2 Lieut Richard Mellor (A Coy) died 16 June 1917 aged 19 Grave No. K 15

Longuenesse (St. Omer) Souvenir Cemetery, France

201983 Pte Sydney George Owen died 3 May 1917 aged 19 Grave No. IV.B.71

Noeux-les-Mines Communal Cemetery, France

200862 Pte George Nowell died 2 May 1917 Grave No. I.Q.14
203334 Pte James Henry Cottrell died 16 May 1917 Grave No. I.E.28
202388 Pte Herbert Whittaker died 8 June 1917 Grave No. I.T.29

Bethune Town Cemetery, France

200820 Cpl William Dowey died of wounds 9 June 1917 aged 47 Grave No. VI.E.77
201995 Pte William Hardy died of wounds 13 April 1917 aged 19 Grave No. VI.D.10
202224 Pte Robert Chetham Stockwell died 17 June 1917 aged 18 Grave No. VI.F.3

Lapugnoy Military Cemetery, France

202472 Pte Alexander Mackie (D Coy) died 15 June 1917 Grave No. IV.D.13

Choques Military Cemetery, France

202083 Pte Samuel Crosslands died 15 June 1917 aged 32 Grave No. I.L.8

Villeret Old Churchyard, Picardie, France

302543 Pte Edwin Stadden Marchant died 1 March 1918 aged 29 Grave No. B.5

54302 Pte Tom Taylor died 1 March 1918 Grave No. B.6

Le Cateau Military Cemetery, France

277718 L/Cpl Ernest Squire Beckett died 21 March 1918 aged 19 Grave No. V.B.4

202226 L/Cpl Joseph Francis died 2 April 1918 Grave No. I.A.21

202477 Pte Walter Taylor Graham died 26 Sept 1918 aged 40 Grave No. I.B.120

54477 Pte Dennis Saunderson died 26 Sept 1918 aged 20 Grave No. I.B.135

200793 Sgt John Hampson died 29 Sept 1918 Grave No. I.B.145

202179 L/Cpl Thomas Edward Skinner died 29 September 1918 Grave No. I.B.49

53815 Pte George Thomas Brown died 5 Oct 1918 Grave No. I.B.162

(Formerly 205155 Northumberland Fusiliers)

Jeancourt Communal Cemetery Extension, France

202094 Pte Joseph Henry Green died 21 March 1918 Grave No. III.C.6

202329 Pte Charles Frederick Lloyd died 21 March 1918 aged 21 Grave No. III.C.1

52962 Pte Thomas Cyril Walton died 21 March 1918 aged 19 Grave No. III.A.13

Assevillers New British Cemetery, France

400129 Pte Walter Hammond died 21 March 1918 aged 22 Grave No. I.F.9

(Formerly 28303 Lancashire Fusiliers)

42919 Pte John Thomas Kightley died 23 March 1918 Grave No. III.D.8

(Formerly 45939 Bedfordshire Regt)

202323 Pte William Sims died 26 March 1918 aged 35

Grave No. II.C.1

Bellicourt British Cemetery, France

54510 Pte Frank Charles Woodcock 'A' Coy died 21 March 1918 aged 19 Grave No I.A.13

Premont British Cemetery, France

200775 Cpl Walter Lyon 1918 died 29 March 1918

Grave No. III.AA.18

Abbeville Communal Cemetery Extension, France

203321 Pte Harry Williamson died 24 March 1918

Grave No. I.B.29

St. Souplet British Cemetery, France

201924 Pte Frederick Davies (A Coy) died 23 March 1918 aged 21 Grave No. II.B.10

202205 Cpl William Higginson died 26 March 1918 aged 32. Special Kipling Memorial No. 4 originally buried in Estrees Communal Cemetery as POW but grave now lost.

Brancourt-le-Grand Military Cemetery, France

303424 Pte William Mellor died 28 March 1918

Grave No. B.2

Hautmont Communal Cemetery, France

44882 Pte John Albert Harris died 30 March 1918 aged 36

Grave No. V.B.15

(Formerly 70582 Durham Light Infantry)

51184 Pte George Humphrey died 9 Oct 1918 aged 38

Grave No. IV.A.9

(Formerly 15765 Royal West Kent Regt)

St. Sever Cemetery Extension, Rouen, France

202057 L/Cpl John William Taylor died 30 March 1918 Grave No. P.VIII.C.4B

400475 Pte Thomas Graham died 31 March 1918 aged 29 Grave No. P.IX.E.11B

Tincourt New British Cemetery, France

54521 Pte Bertram Milnes died of wounds 22 April 1918 aged 20 Grave No. X.C.6
(Formerly 7939 Bedfordshire Regt)

202513 Pte John Burns died 20 July 1918 Grave No. IX.C.12

Valenciennes (St. Roch) Communal Cemetery, France

54301 Pte Harold Thornton died of wounds 27 April 1918 Grave No. IV.G.10
(Formerly 205401 Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry)

202029 L/Cpl Edward Evan Ellis died 18 July 1918 aged 20 Grave No. V.C.5

202458 Pte George Bleasdale died 22 July 1918 Grave No. V.C.22

53637 Pte William Sutton died of wounds 8 Aug 1918 aged 31 Grave No. V.E.5
(Formerly 37935 Loyal North Lancs Regt)

53632 Pte George William Oswald Lees died 3 Sept 1918 Grave No. V.E. 31
(Formerly 3792 Loyal North Lancs Regt)

251639 Cpl Joseph Baird died 26 Sept 1918 aged 25 (POW). Buried at Le Quesnoy Cemetery, grave now lost, Special Kipling Memorial No.4 at Valenciennes Communal Cemetery.

53715 Pte Charles Longstaff died 27 Sept 1918 aged 28 (POW). Buried at Le Quesnoy Cemetery, grave now lost, Special Kipling Memorial No. 3 at Valenciennes Communal Cemetery. (Formerly 46782 Cheshire Regt)

201967 L/Cpl Sydney Glindoni died 28 Sept 1918 aged 21 (POW). Buried at Le Quesnoy Cemetery, grave now lost, Special Kipling Memorial No.5 at Valenciennes Communal Cemetery.

54432 Pte Frank Richard Kemp died 1 Oct 1918 (POW). Buried at Le Quesnoy Cemetery, grave now lost, POW Special Memorial at Valenciennes Communal Cemetery

202434 L/Cpl Albert Lever died 1 Oct 1918 (POW). Buried at Le Quesnoy Cemetery, grave now lost. POW Special Memorial at Valenciennes Communal Cemetery.

La Chapelette British & Indian Cemetery, Peronne, France

53741 Pte George Sandford died of wounds 25 July 1918 Grave No. V.I.3

(Formerly 38153 Loyal North Lancs Regt)

Cronenbourg French National Cemetery, France

20244 L/Cpl Walter Higginbottom died 7 Oct 1918 Grave No. Allied 3.119

Boulogne Eastern Cemetery, France

42872 Pte Leonard Allington died 13 Oct 1917 Grave No. VIII.I.51

(Formerly 38067 Essex Regt)

Ferriere-la-Petite Communal Cemetery, France

202244 Pte Edgar Dawson died 14 Oct 1918 Grave in NE corner

(Only CWGC burial in graveyard)

Etaples Military Cemetery, France

44976 Pte Arthur Rowe died 16 Oct 1917 Grave No. XXX.D.17A

(Formerly 33045 North Staffs Regt)

351362 Pte Edwin Hamer died 19 May 1918 aged 21 Grave No. LXVIII.C.32

Wimereux Communal Cemetery, France

200781 L/Cpl James Taylor died 8 April 1917 Grave No. II.F.17A

303701 Pte Reginald Whitworth Sabine died 11 Oct 1917 aged 19 Grave No. VI.C.30A

202017 Pte Edward Francis Hardman died 28 Oct 1917 aged 19 Grave No. VI.F.2A

202354 Pte William Pearton died 28 Oct 1917 Grave No. VI.E.32

No known Grave – Thiepval Memorial, France

200652 Pte Moses Cooper died 15 March 1918 Pier & Face 13A & 14C

No Known Grave - Loos Memorial, Loos, France

All the below are commemorated on Panel 103

3328/200989 Pte Charles Dodd died 8 June 1917

3491/201068 Pte Henry Elliot died 8 June 1917

202532 Pte Charles Gleave died 8 June 1917

202127 L/Cpl Charles Stanley Griffiths died 8 June 1917 aged 26

202014 Pte William Jones died 8 June 1917 aged 18

200633 Sgt James Lomax died 8 June 1916

No known Grave - Pozieres Memorial, France

All the undermentioned are commemorated on Panel 64 to 67

248003 Cpl Arthur Allen Ainge died 21 March 1918 aged 36

(Formerly 202616 Suffolk Regt)

200669 L/Sgt Robert Ashcroft died 21 March 1918 aged 27

27651 Pte Samuel Austin died 21 March 1918

44841 L/Cpl Bertie Batchelor died 21 March 1918

(Formerly 25196 Royal West Kent Regt, Military Medal)

203351 Pte Frederick Bigland died 21 March 1918

400637 Pte Thomas Buckley died 21 March 1918

(Formerly 28397 Lancashire Fusiliers)

53577 Pte Thomas Nathaniel Booty died 21 March 1918

201644 L/Cpl John Bullen died 21 March 1918 aged 22

302346 Pte George Carter died 21 March 1918 aged 34

203329 Pte Frederick Chell died 21 March 1918

202378 Pte William Corbett died 21 March 1918

302605 Pte Francis James Critchley died 21 March 1918

53641 Pte John Cullen died 21 March 1918

202343 Pte Frank Danbury died 21 March 1918

277459 Pte Thomas Davenport died 21 March 1918

51571 Pte John Frost Eggett 'D' Coy died 21 March 1918 aged 19

(Formerly 32633 Yorkshire Regt)

202572 L/Cpl Frank Evans died 21 March aged 29

53709 Pte Charles Finnegan died 21 March 1918

(Formerly 48688 Notts & Derby Regt)

302716 Pte Joseph Finney died 21 March 1918 aged 21

(Formerly 6260 South Lancashire Regt)

202610 Pte Henry Fitton died 21 March 1918

245788 Pte William Flippance died 21 March 1918

(Formerly 240410 East Surrey Regt)

201985 Pte John George Hall died 21 March 1918

42914 Pte Harry Hill died 21 March 1918

(Formerly 45040 Bedfordshire Regt)

45475 Pte John Edward Irving died 21 March 1918 aged 19

302188 A/Sgt John Jones died 21 March 1918 aged 20

53651 Pte Albert King died 21 March

(Formerly 38151 Loyal North Lancs Regt)

34414 Pte William Kirk die 21 March 1918

49590 Pte James Knowles died 21 March aged 38

202056 Pte William Hamer Lewis died 21 March 1918

248038 Pte Robert Linnett died 21 March 1918

(Formerly 202634 Suffolk Regt)

202018 L/Cpl John Oliver died 21 March 1918

202545 L/Cpl Charles Edward Parkinson died 21 March 1918

201964 Pte John William Rimmer died 21 March 1918

202507 Pte Charles Robinson died 21 March 1918 aged 20

45473 Pte Tom Rostron died 21 March 1918

38919 Pte Henry Alfred Routledge died 21 March 1918 aged 20

54298 Pte James Saxton died 21 March 1918 aged 19

(Formerly 205450 Yorkshire Light Infantry)

62110 Sgt Stuart McGregor Sharples died 21 March 1918 aged 24

(Formerly 13511 Kings Liverpool Regt)

202320 A/L/Sgt Charles Harold Sharrock died 21 March 1918

202197 Pte Thomas Moss Sheard died 21 March 1918 aged 39

245809 Sgt William Ewart Smith died 21 March 1918

(Formerly 611 West Kent Yeomanry)

42155 Pte Wilfrid Todd died 21 March 1918 aged 20

4973 L/Cpl Albert Tommins died 21 March 1918 aged 33
54496 Pte John Polmeor Trevorrow died 21 March 1918 aged 19
42474 Pte Albert Edwin Wade died 21 March 1918 aged 26
202346 L/Cpl Frank Wadsworth died 21 March 1918 aged 36
12700 Pte Charles Ernest Walker died 21 March 1918 aged 19
202503 Pte Harold Wark died 21 March 1918 aged 20
202559 Pte Joseph Edward Whittall died 21 March 1918 aged 22
302279 Pte Joseph Stanley Williams died 21 March 1918
42170 Pte Harold Worrall died 21 March 1918 aged 24
(Formerly 72458 Royal Army Service Corps)
200641 Sgt Frederick Kelsall died 22 March 1918
202001 Pte Gordon Ashton died 24 March 1918
201659 L/Cpl Arthur Francis Dean died 24 March 1918 aged 24
352416 Pte Thomas Barker died 25 March 1918
202363 Pte Herbert Holt died 25 March 1918
202319 Pte William Wilson died 25 March 1918
50643 Pte Fred Taylor died 26 March 1918
200734 L/Cpl Hugh Walmesley died 26 March 1918
300962 Cpl Joseph Morris died 31 March 1918 aged 22

Coxyde Military Cemetery, Belgium (In date order)

202167 Pte Frederick Marsden died 10 July 1917 aged 24	Grave No. I.E.15
202252 Pte William Killeen Cuthbert Quaile died 10 July 1917	Grave No. I.G.25
200743 Cpl John Thomas Porter died 15 July 1917	Grave No. I.H.44
200600 L/Cpl William Hothersall died 15 July 1917 aged 20	Grave No. I.H.45

200766 Pte Edwin Hill died of wounds 16 July 1917 aged 22	Grave No. I.J.39
202546 Pte Frank Crawshaw (B Coy) died 22 July 1917 aged 19	Grave No. I.J.58
202602 Pte William Henry Kettle died 22 July 1917 aged 26	Grave No. I.J.59
202817 Pte Harold Higham died 22 July 1917 aged 20	Grave No. I.J.60
201987 Pte Herbert Stanley Scott died 22 July 1917 aged 19	Grave No. I.J.61
202095 Pte Walter Dale died 22 July 1917 aged 35	Grave No. I.J.62
202257 Pte Richard Minor died 26 July 1917 aged 19	Grave No. I.L.28
202581 Pte Samuel Wright Beswick died 26 July 1917 aged 31	Grave No. III.A.25
400357 Pte Frank Castles died 26 July 1917 aged 35	Grave No. III.A.26
42887 Pte Ernest Wilfred Gay died 29 July 1917 aged 38 (Formerly 34940 Suffolk Regt)	Grave No. II.A.16
201958 Pte Evan Rees Roberts died 2 August 1917 aged 19	Grave No. II.C.25
245078 Pte Ernest Edward Daubney died 2 August 1917 aged 19	Grave No. II.C.27
42877 Pte Harry Howard died 3 Aug 1917 aged 25 (Formerly 26285 Essex Regt)	Grave No. II.C.12
44978 Pte George Young died 4 Aug 1917 (Formerly 125488 Royal Army Service Corps)	Grave No. II.C.26

Adinkerke Military Cemetery, Belgium

200814 Pte William Leah died 5 Aug 1917	Grave No. A.9
202154 Pte David Wilson died 12 Aug 1917	Grave No. C.14

Ramscapelle Road Military Cemetery, Belgium (In date order)

248042 Pte William Thomas Norman died 10 Aug 1917 aged 35	Grave No. II.B.1
248010 Pte George William Bland died 10 Aug 1917 aged 32	Grave No. II.B.24

(Formerly 206611 Suffolk Regt)

202254 Pte Walter Deasey died 24 Aug 1917 aged 25	Grave No. II.C.6
202493 Pte Joseph Gilbert died 26 Aug 1917 aged 27	Grave No. II.C.14
202189 Pte Robert Townsend died 26 Aug 1917	Grave No. II.C.12
202305 Pte Harry Robinson died 31 Aug 1917 aged 36	Grave No. II.C.26
200976 L/Cpl D Aspinall died 31 Aug 1917	Grave No. II.C.27

Tyne Cot Cemetery, Zonnebeke, Belgium

42931 Pte Albert Victor Collins died 7 Oct 1917	Grave No. XXXV.J.24
(Formerly 45047 Bedfordshire Regt)	
202450 Pte Richard Law died 7 Oct 1917	Grave No. XXXIV.F.22
201982 Pte Harry Green died 9 Oct 1917 aged 20	Grave No. XVI.H.17

Nine Elms British Cemetery, Poperinge, Belgium

42905 Pte Samuel Cohen died of wounds 9 Oct 1917	Grave No. IV.D.4
(Formerly 74928 Middlesex Regt)	
203317 Pte Edward Hall died 10 Oct 1917 aged 19	Grave No. III.E.6
2045 Pte Louis Rasky died 11 Oct 1917	Grave No. IV.D.5
202563 Pte Charles Finney Bridges died 21 Oct 1917 aged 21	Grave No. V.C.14

Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium

202145 Pte Matthew Abrahams died 7 Oct 1917 aged 31	Grave No. XX.I.13A
202186 Pte Benjamin Beaumont died 28 Dec 1917	Grave No. XXVII.CC.10
202366 Pte John Forrester died 24 Jan 1918 aged 25	Grave No. XXVII.F.7A

La Clytte Military Cemetery, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium

202153 Cpl William McLennan died 22 Nov 1917 aged 30 Grave No. IV.A.6

Menin Road South Military Cemetery, Belgium

44980 Pte William Spencer died 22 Dec 1917 Grave No. III.O.11

(Formerly 272124 Royal Army Service Corps)

53700 Pte John Henry Perkins died 26 Dec 1917 Grave No. III.O.3

(Formerly 21414 West Riding Regt)

Belgian Battery Corner Cemetery, Ypres, Belgium

202429 L/Cpl John Henry Joy died 22 Jan 1918 Grave No. II.G.15

53639 Pte Robert Carter died 1 Feb 1918 Grave No. II.H.18

(Formerly 38174 Loyal North Lancs Regt)

Erquelinnes Communal Cemetery, Belgium

202296 Pte Arthur Atkinson died 14 Oct 1918 aged 20 Special Memorial 2

Known to be buried in this cemetery, grave now lost

St. Symphorien Military Cemetery, Belgium

54227 Pte Walter Philip Hanman (B Coy) died 25 Oct 1918 aged 20 Grave No.

I.B.17

Belgrade Cemetery, Namur, Belgium

53589 Pte Wilfred Vernon Gurr died of wounds 9 Nov 1918 aged 20 Grave No. II.C.8

No Known Grave - Tyne Cot Memorial, Zonnebeke, Belgium

All the undermentioned are commemorated on Panel 120 to 124 - date order

400508 Pte Robert Appleyard died 5 Oct 1917

42861 Pte Leonard Frederick Clipstone died 5 Oct 1917 aged 19

202020 Pte Thomas Dean died 5 Oct 1917

203076 Pte Herbert Kingsley Hartley died 5 Oct 1917

203344 Pte Charles Hubert Elliot died 5 Oct 1917

(Formerly 5946 Suffolk Regt)

202163 Pte James Hugh Hatfield died 5 Oct

245076 Pte William Jones died 5 Oct 1917

(Formerly 50482 Durham Light Infantry)

201988 Pte John Mc Donald died 5 Oct 1917 aged 20

200612 Sgt John Henry Penkethman died 5 Oct 1917

201974 Pte Joseph McLaughlin died 5 Oct 1917 aged 20

203404 Pte Albert Yates died 5 Oct 1917

202562 Pte Harold Jones died 6 Oct 1917

201633 Pte Reuben Parr died 6 Oct 1917

42881 Pte Harold Edward Brackenbury died 7 Oct 1917

(Formerly 39649 Bedfordshire Regt)

42861 Pte Leonard Frederick Clipstone died 5 Oct 1917 aged 19

(Formerly 23518 Essex Regt)

42903 Pte Robert Colville died 7 Oct 1917

(Formerly 266708 Royal Army Service Corps)

202498 Pte James Dutton died 7 Oct 1917 aged 19

202566 Pte Henry Freeman died 7 Oct 1917 aged 29

42908 Pte Alfred Gibson died 7 Oct 1917
(Formerly 45061 Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Regt)

201995 Pte William Smith died 7 Oct 1917 aged 20

202605 Pte Harry Binding died 8 Oct 1917 aged 26

202217 Pte John Alfred Crapper died 8 Oct 1917 aged 20

42909 Pte Sydney Goss died 8 Oct 1917
(Formerly 37210 Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Regt)

42907 Pte Frank Green died 8 Oct 1917
(Formerly 45053 Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Regt)

202247 Pte George Percival Hill died 8 Oct 1917

202011 Pte Robert John Hughes died 8 Oct 1917 aged 20

202893 Pte James Edward Littlemore died 8 Oct 1917

202497 Pte Benjamin Nelson died 8 Oct 1917

203327 Pte James Walsh died 8 Oct 1917

200651 L/Sgt John Chantery MM died 9 Oct 1917

201095 Pte Fred Healey died 9 Oct 1917 aged 20

202395 Pte William Ross Jackson died 9 Oct 1917 aged 28

201036 Pte Arthur Jarratt died 9 Oct aged 20

53700 Pte George Pether died 9 Oct 1917

202952 Pte Percy Richards died 9 Oct 1917

42932 Pte Henry James Simmons (D Coy) died 9 Oct 1917 aged 26
(Formerly 26395 Bedfordshire Regt)

202350 Pte Edward Southall died 9 Oct 1917

202466 Pte James Spencer died 9 Oct 1917

203076 Pte Herbert Kingsley Hartley (D Coy) died 10 Oct 1917 aged 31

201978 Pte Leonard Bond died 11 Oct 1917 aged 20

53723 Pte Charles John Coley died 17 Jan 1918 aged 31

(Formerly 4820 Royal Army Service Corps)

Berlin South-Western Cemetery, Germany

202334 Pte Samuel Cookson died 21 July 1918 aged 28 (POW) Grave No. IX.D.II

Niederzwehren Cemetery, Kassel, Germany

251214 Pte Maurice Broadhurst died 17 Oct 1917 age 20 (POW) Grave No. V.E.6

54272 Pte George Frederick Firth died 15 April 1918 aged 19 (POW) Grave No.
I.X.C.10

202393 Pye George Thomas Leach died 11 July 1918 (POW) Grave No. I.B.14

Cologne Southern Cemetery, Germany

202200 Pte Thomas Hirst died of wounds 3 Aug 1917 aged 26 (POW) Grave No.
XV.A.5

302521 Pte Samuel Sinclair died of wounds 12 July 1918 (POW) Grave No. XIV.A.7

Northampton (Towcester Rd) Cemetery, England

42918 Cpl Harry Jones died 31 Aug 1917 aged 37 Grave No. 465.1.18026

Colchester Cemetery, Essex, England

53622 Pte Harry Rastin died 13 Feb 1918 Grave No. S.2.77

War Diary Casualties

Note: In some cases the official Commonwealth War Graves Commission date of death differs from the battalion war diary entry.

22 March 1917

202085 Pte Elliot G killed

202587 Pte Kerr W killed

202469 Pte Russell F G killed

202578 Pte A Wilson killed

30 March 1917

292474 Pte RA Newton killed

2 April 1917

202406 Pte Ainsworth J killed

202025 Pte Ashton H wounded

202420 Pte Atherton W wounded

203315 Pte Collinge A killed

202022 Pte Kershaw H S killed

202284 Pte Maryoseph S killed

203831 Pte Pelham C F killed

3 April 1917

202296 Pte Atkinson wounded

202092 Pte Broadhurst wounded

202538 Pte Jones wounded

203336 Pte Tarry F W wounded

202044 Pte Williams WA killed

5 April 1917

202193 Pte Lewis W wounded

6 April 1917

2 Lt Lauder wounded (shell shock)

201934 Pte H Thompson killed

7 April 1917

202573 Pte Rice killed

8 April 1917

200780 L/Sgt Dodd R wounded

200919 Pte Grime J wounded

11 April 1917

202385 Pte Riley JR wounded

202530 Pte Williamson J wounded

13 April 1917

2 Lt Bateman W wounded

201995 Pte Hardy W died of wounds

202533 Pte Heaton J killed

202372 Pte Hoyle RE wounded

202010 L/Cpl Hughes wounded

202404 Pte Leigh B (C Coy) killed

201997 Pte Littlewood H killed

201983 Pte Owen SG wounded

202297 Pte Siddall E wounded

202268 Pte Wade TR wounded

14 April 1917

202533 Pte Heaton J killed

202231 Pte Henry T wounded

202368 Pte Wade T R killed

2 Lieut Bateman wounded

21 April 1917

202488 Pte Rogers wounded

22 April 1917

2 Lt Robertson W M wounded

23 April 1917

202144 Pte Brownlie wounded

202600 Pte Holden R killed

202455 Pte Mill killed

200782 L/Sgt Richards wounded

202015 Pte Roberts R O wounded

24 April 1917

202599 Pte Ratcliffe L wounded

26 April 1917

200177 Sgt Buckley wounded (accidental)

200715 Sgt Fishburn wounded (accidental)

202048 Pte Guy wounded (accidental)

202210 Pte Lilliot wounded (accidental)

28 April 1917

201939 Pte Brown G wounded

202187 Pte Glennon wounded

202482 Pte Green H killed

202164 Pte Renshaw wounded

29 April 1917

202216 Pte Bullock wounded

201921 L/Cpl Connor wounded

202352 Pte Houghton wounded

202571 Pte Seddon killed

1 May 1917

202532 Pte Gleave wounded

202573 Pte Pilkington wounded

2 May 1917

202419 Pte Galloway wounded

201999 Pte Glover M wounded

200862 Pte Nowell G wounded

202126 Pte Williams wounded

3 May 1917

202199 Pte Murray wounded

4 May 1917

200922 Pte Brown W died of wounds

202166 Pte Underwood G killed

200923 Pte Wharton wounded (shell shock)

5 May 1917

203356 Pte Hulme wounded

6 May 1917

201636 Pte Humphries D wounded

16 May 1917

203316 Pte Fielding J wounded

200960 L/Cpl Melling I wounded (accidental)

27 May 1917

202351 Pte Chapman W killed

202099 Pte Holmes A wounded

202398 Pte German C wounded

202172 Pte Twigge F wounded

201979 Pte Vincent E wounded

28 May 1917

202027 Pte Morris DC killed

30 May 1917

200937 Sgt Owen W wounded

8 June 1917

202341 Pte Agnew J wounded

202499 Pte Anderson wounded (remained at duty)

200863 L/Cpl Ashurst M wounded

201957 Pte Bailey H wounded

202235 L/Cpl Barnes T wounded

202353 Pte Bartrop L wounded

202891 Pte Bellis F wounded

201002 Pte Boardman T wounded

202506 Pte Birley H wounded

201976 Pte Cartwright F wounded

201932 Pte Darlington F wounded

200989 Pte Dodd C missing (believed killed) died 8 June 1917

200820 Cpl Dowey W wounded died 9 June 1917

202815 Pte Edge T wounded

201068 Pte Elliot H missing died 8 June 1917

202317 Pte Entwistle W wounded

202467 Pte Fox J D wounded

202226 Pte Francis J wounded

202240 Pte Gawthorpe H wounded

202532 Pte Gleave C missing (killed no known grave)

202120 L/Cpl Greenhalgh A wounded

202172 L/Cpl Griffiths C S killed

201042 Pte Hart P wounded

201051 Sgt Heyes J killed

202283 Pte Heywood P wounded

200950 Pte Higham W wounded

202447 Pte Hilton J wounded

200966 Pte Holt A wounded

202403 Pte Hughes R wounded

202314 Pte Hungerford J wounded

202200 Pte Hurst T missing

202182 L/Cpl Ingham T wounded

202431 Pte Jardine wounded (remained at duty)

202347 Pte Jones G wounded

200882 Pte Jones H wounded

202013 Pte Jones J E wounded

201042 Pte Jones R wounded

202014 Pte Jones W missing (reported wounded)

202539 Pte Kelly J wounded

201971 Pte Lawson P wounded

2 Lt Linton A C wounded

202237 Pte Liptrot H wounded

202379 Pte Livesey J wounded

200663 Sgt Lomax J killed *

202472 Pte Mackie A died of wounds

202377 Pte Marsden E wounded

201061 Pte Pollitt J wounded

202437 Pte Roberts T missing

202093 Pte Shaw H wounded

200753 Pte Short J wounded

202382 Pte Snowden W wounded

202421 Pte Stewart R wounded

202442 Pte Toulmin W killed

200802 L/Cpl Townsend wounded (remained at duty)

202031 Pte Williams W H wounded

13 June 1917

2 Lt Frost CW wounded (gas)

14 June 1917

202939 Pte Councer W wounded

202084 Pte Leese W wounded (accidentally)

202070 Pte Lowe G killed

15 June 1917

202083 Pte Crosslands S died of wounds

202107 Pte Hambilton F wounded

202288 L/Cpl Jinks E killed

200680 Cpl Rigby J T wounded

202400 Pte Dee E wounded

16 June 1917

2 Lt Mellor R killed

17 June 1917

202128 L/Cpl Marsland C wounded

202488 Pte Rogers J wounded

202224 Pte Stockwell R wounded

10 July 1917

200601 L/Cpl Bateson K wounded (remained at duty)

201998 Pte Brown A wounded

202106 Pte Cattell G died of wounds

202289 Pte Harris W E wounded

202215 Pte Holland M wounded

202117 Pte Grocott wounded (remained at duty)

202239 Pte Howard F wounded

202167 Pte Marsden F killed

203325 Pte Mellor W wounded

245115 Pte Mills R wounded

245123 Pte Pickering FT wounded

202252 Pte Quaile W died of wounds

11 July 1917

202223 Pte Timperley W wounded

14 July 1917

200662 WO2 (CSM) Barber F wounded (remained at duty)

15 July 1917

202409 Pte Cook W wounded (remained at duty)

202049 Pte Ellis E wounded

202236 Pte Ennion W wounded (remained at duty)

200766 Pte Hill E died of wounds

200600 L/Cpl Hothersall W killed

200743 Cpl Porter J T killed

202322 Pte Power A wounded

16 July 1917

201985 Pte Hall J wounded (remained at duty)

201019 Sgt Williamson R wounded (remained at duty)

20 July 1917

2 Lt Cunningham wounded (gas)

22 July 1917

245076 Pte Abrahams J C wounded

202549 Pte Burke W wounded

202589 Pte Clough L P wounded

245096 Pte Cracknell T wounded

202546 Pte Crawshaw F killed

202095 Pte Dale W killed

202817 Pte Higham H killed

200848 Sgt Keegan J J wounded (remained at duty)

202602 Pte Kettle W killed

201987 Pte Scott H S killed

202316 Pte Walsh F wounded

26 July 1917

202581 Pte Beswick S W killed

400357 Pte Castles F killed

201029 L/Cpl Eckersley C wounded

202942 Pte Lewis J wounded

202257 Pte Minor R wounded

200648 Pte Reynolds S wounded

29 July 1917

42887 Pte Gay W G killed

2 August 1917

200548 Pte Appleyard J wounded

245078 Pte Daubney E E killed

202236 Pte Ennion W wounded

400184 Pte Gresty E wounded

400366 Cpl Hewitt G wounded

42899 Pte Howard H wounded

202348 Pte Moore C A wounded

202016 Pte Roberts J D wounded

201958 Pte Roberts E R killed

4 August 1917

202590 Pte Carter M wounded

200700 L/Sgt Goulding W wounded

202807 Pte Oakes G wounded (remained at duty)

200656 Pte Magnall wounded (remained at duty)

200756 Pte Roylance H wounded

2Lt Williams A wounded

44978 Pte Young G killed

5 Aug 1917

200814 Pte Leah W died of wounds

6 Aug 1917

42889 Pte Mills B S wounded (remained at duty)

202327 Pte Southworth W wounded

7 Aug 1917

43918 Pte Jones H wounded

202373 Pte Lowe E H wounded

200969 Pte O'Neill J T wounded

9 Aug 1917

245093 Pte Coombes J W wounded

10 Aug 1917

249010 Pte Bland G W killed

201641 L/Cpl Daniels F wounded

245100 Pte Furness B L wounded

245116 Pte Norman W T killed

200003 Cpl Occleshaw S wounded

202488 Pte O'Hara J wounded

245121 Pte Peters H A wounded

202154 Pte Wilson D wounded

11 Aug 1917

245118 Pte Nunn R C wounded

15 Aug 1917

202244 Pte Dawson E wounded

400327 Pte Edwards T wounded (gas)

202272 Pte Pearson W wounded (gas)

248061 Pte Sykes A T wounded

22 Aug 1917

202261 Pte Dowson W wounded (gas)

42916 Pte Hornsey T wounded (gas)

202947 Pte Saker L wounded (gas)

24 Aug 1917

202254 Pte Deasey W killed

201933 Pte Wrigley W wounded

25 Aug 1917

202493 Pte Gilbert J killed

26 Aug 1917

202940 Pte Buckley T wounded (accidentally)

202189 Pte Townsend R killed

31 Aug 1917

200976 L/Cpl Aspinall D killed

201632 L/Cpl Dean F wounded (remained at duty)

202306 Pte Robinson H killed

200889 Cpl Shone S wounded (remained at duty)

4 Sept 1917

202242 Pte Williamson E wounded (remained at duty)

8 Sept 1917

202395 Pte Jackson W R wounded (remained at duty)

19 Sept 1917

42700 Pte Nunn R wounded

248053 Pte Rogers W wounded

20 Sept 1917

202292 Pte Dyson S wounded (gas)

400234 Pte Gibson wounded (gas)

202293 Pte Pickles J wounded (gas)

200866 L/Cpl Pickles J wounded (remained at duty)

22 Sept 1917

248001 Pte Abbott AA wounded

5 October 1917

400508 Pte Appleyard R killed

200014 Sgt Ashton P wounded

400826 Pte Booth R wounded

201640 Pte Canty J wounded

252617 Pte Chapman T wounded

42881 Pte Clipstone L wounded

251705 Pte Coulhurst S wounded

202271 L/Cpl Lane P wounded

200612 Sgt Penkethman J killed

201942 Pte Tranthum W wounded

201979 Pte Vincent F wounded

6 October 1917

202145 Pte Abrahams M wounded
248021 Pte Crowhurst A W wounded
400232 Pte Dawell wounded
248025 Pte Farmer AS wounded
43728 Pte Flaherty T wounded
201654 Pte Greenwood W T wounded
248046 Pte Merrill N wounded
202810 Pte Ratcliffe W S wounded
202561 Pte Robinson A H wounded
303398 Pte Winstanley W wounded
202562 Pte Jones H killed
201633 Pte Parr R killed

7 October 1917

42881 Pte Brockenbury A E killed
400613 Pte Chadwick wounded
41915 Pte Champion wounded
42931 Pte Collins A B killed
42903 Pte Colville R killed
200874 Pte Dempsey J E wounded
202498 Pte Duttton J killed
200980 Pte Fairhurst J wounded
202566 Pte Freeman H killed
42908 Pte Gibson A killed
202813 Pte Hopwood M wounded

202276 Pte Kay W wounded
202545 Pte Law R killed
200881 Sgt Makinson W wounded
42925 Pte Mark FA wounded
42926 Pte Marriott F wounded
200981 Pte Mowbray H wounded
202508 Pte Pepperill J wounded
202405 Pte Savage F wounded
303701 Pte Sabine R wounded
203093 Pte Shaw H wounded
201995 Pte Smith W killed

8 October 1917

49878 Pte Allington L wounded
251839 Cpl Baird J wounded
248006 Pte Beale H J wounded
202605 Pte Binding H killed
202440 Pte Brown W. W wounded
42905 Pte Cohen S wounded
202217 Pte Crapper H killed
201075 Pte Dickinson J wounded
42909 Pte Goss S killed
42907 Pte Green F killed
203317 Pte Hall E wounded
202247 Pte Hill G P killed
202011 Pte Hughes R J killed

400750 Pte Leyland S wounded
202893 Pte Littlemore J E killed
200683 Sgt Lowton P wounded
202505 Pte Midgley G wounded
202497 Pte Nelson B killed
202245 L/Cpl Pearson W G wounded
202158 Pte Roberts H wounded
200690 L/Cpl Russell W wounded
202263 Pte Seddon J wounded
202577 Pte Taylor J wounded
200904 Cpl Topping H wounded
42926 Pte Tyler R wounded
202217 Pte Walsh J killed
202609 Pte Withers F G wounded

9 October 1917

201982 Pte Green H killed
201095 Pte Healey F killed
202395 Pte Jackson W R killed
201036 Pte Jarratt A killed
202952 Pte Richards P killed
202350 Pte Southall E killed
202466 Pte Spencer J killed

List of missing between 5th -11th Oct 1917

201978 Pte Bond missing (died 11 Oct)
251214 Pte Broadhurst M missing (died 17 Oct)

202033 Pte Davies D missing
42864 Pte Davies J missing
202020 Pte Dean missing (died 5 Oct)
203344 Pte Elliott C H missing (died 5 Oct)
202463 Pte Hatfield J missing (died 5 Oct)
203076 Pte Hartley H missing (died 5 Oct)
201934 Pte Hatton M missing
202041 Pte Jones J missing
245476 Pte Jones J W missing
299899 Pte Jones T missing
252611 Pte Norris R missing
201988 Pte McDonald J missing (died 5 Oct)
201974 Pte McLaughlin J missing (died 5 Oct)
202344 Pte Yates A missing (died 5 Oct)
248072 Pte Wykes F missing

17 Nov 1917

400069 Pte Armitage W wounded (gas)
42875 Pte Dean E wounded (gas)
201012 Pte Hart P wounded (gas)

19 Nov 1917

42981 Pte Hornsby J wounded (gas)

22 Nov 1917

202153 Cpl McLennan W killed

21 Dec 1917

45469 Pte Foley M wounded

22 Dec 1917

53809 Pte Doyle H wounded

53700 Pte Perkins H killed

53622 Pte Rastin H wounded

44980 Pte Spencer K killed

23 Dec 1917

42882 Pte Cooper AH wounded

26 Dec 1917

200654 Pte Armstrong T wounded

202186 Pte Beaumont B wounded

42891 Pte Rainbow R wounded

200825 Cpl Sutton W wounded

27 Dec 1917

43728 Pte Flaherty T wounded

31 Dec 1917

200869 Pte Green F wounded

13 Jan 1918

53652 Pte Longworth A W wounded

14 Jan 1918

44964 Pte Wallace R C wounded

17 Jan 1918

53723 Pte Coley C J killed

22 Jan 1918

202366 Pte Forrester J wounded

202429 L/Cpl Joy J killed

53695 Pte Taylor GE wounded

26 Feb 1918

54266 Pte Damms E W 'A' Coy wounded (remained at duty)

48433 Pte Greenhead E A 'B' Coy wounded (remained at duty)

54475 Pte Seagrave J 'B' Coy wounded

53803 Pte Seaton E 'C' Coy wounded

203324 Pte Waywell H 'C' Coy wounded

27 Feb 1918

303440 Cpl Jackson A 'D' Coy wounded

28 Feb 1918

202488 Pte Tansey T 'B' Coy wounded (remained at duty)

Note: There are no detailed war diary casualty figures for the month of March 1918.

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