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HMS Hawke - Northern Ireland's greatest naval loss

One of the greatest single losses to Royal Navy personnel from Northern Ireland occurred on the 15th October 1914 when the German Submarine SM-U9 which was patrolling the North Sea came across two British Cruisers, HMS Hawke commanded by Capt. Hugh P.E.T. Williams, and her sister ship HMS Theseus. At least 49 from Northern Ireland perished on HMS Hawke. They came from all walks of life.

On 15th October Hawke, was torpedoed by German submarine U-9. The submarine's first torpedo missed Theseus but hit Hawke, igniting a magazine and causing a tremendous explosion which ripped much of the ship apart.

Hawke sank in a few minutes with the loss of her commander Captain Hugh R.E.T. Williams, 26 officers and 497 men; only four officers and 70 of her 594 crew were saved.

A Survivor's account

One of the survivors, a gunner, commented the following day - " At 10:30 am yesterday Oct 15th in latitude 57 degree 49 minutes north and latitude nought degrees 10 minutes west position approximate Endymion closed Hawke to deliver mail; having delivered mail she parted company to take up her cruising station. At about 10:50 am we were struck a little abaft the starboard beam by a torpedo. The ship at once listed to starboard and the hands went to collision stations but it was impossible to get the mats out. All boats were then ordered out. It was impossible to do this. Ship listed rapidly to starboard and sunk in about 5 minutes after being struck. The only boat got off was a port cutter and picket boat which floated clear. A number of men swam to her and she sank. Three or four rafts floated clear and number of men climbed onto them. When we had picked up as many men as the boat would hold we pulled away in a north westerly direction. At 3:30 pm we sighted a Norwegian steamer the Modasta. She took us on board and cutter in tow we steamed back towards the place where the Hawke sank with a lookout man aloft. Submarines were sighted and the Norwegian captain headed for Peterhead. We met the trawler Benrinnes and we came to Aberdeen in her ends."

A U boat crew member's account

A member of the U boat crew gave this account of the torpedoing. He wrote, "I gazed at the little picture of the

upper ocean. The distant three cruisers were some wide space apart, but were converging, and were steering for a point and that point was apparently in the vicinity where we lay. No wonder the Commander thought they must want a torpedo.

"We imagined they were bent on joining forces and steaming together, but it presently became apparent that they intended to exchange signals, drop a cutter in the water, and deliver mail or orders, and then go their respective ways. We steered at full speed for the point toward which they were heading, our periscope showing only for a few moments at a time. The Cruisers, big armoured fellows, came zig-zagging. We picked one, which afterward turned out to be HMS Hawke, and manoeuvred for a shot. It was tricky work. She nearly ran us down. We had to dive deeper and let her pass over us, else we would have been rammed. Now we were in a position for a stern shot at an angle, but she turned. It was a fatal turning, for it gave us an opportunity to swing around for a clear bow shot at 400 metres.

" 'Second bow tube fire!'. Weddigen snapped out the order, and soon there sounded the tell-tale detonation."

"We dived beyond periscope depth, ran underwater for a short distance, and then came up for a look through our tall, mast-like eye. The Hawke had already disappeared. She sank in eight minutes. Only one boat was in the water. It was the mail dory that had been lowered before the torpedo explosion. At the rudder the boat officer hoisted a distress signal on the boat's staff. That little dory with half a dozen men aboard was all that was left of the proud warship."

Hawke crew members' accounts

Two members of Hawke's crew described to newspapers the destruction of their ship. One said, "We were struck right amidships between the two funnels quite close to one of the magazines. All hands were on deck, and it was a terrible explosion. The vessel immediately took a heavy list to starboard. I have never been on a ship so well equipped with life saving apparatus, but the way the vessel heeled over made it almost impossible to get the boats out. The boat in which I was saved had a narrow escape from being taken down with the suction.

"We were struck about 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and just as we got away from the Hawke, we distinctly saw the periscope of the enemy's submarine come to the surface. We thought he was going to ram us, but apparently he was on the lookout for any other rescuing vessels. Prior to the accident the Hawke was cruising about zigzag fashion, and we never saw the submarine until we felt her. It was beginning to get hazy when we were almost run down by the Norwegian steamer which picked us up. This boat, after affecting the rescue, cruised about in search of the rafts, but nothing was seen."

The second survivor stated, "Those on deck for an instant, immediately after the explosion, saw the periscope of a submarine, which showed above the water like a broomstick. When the explosion occurred, I, along with the others in the engine-room, was sent flying into space as it were, and must have been stunned for a little. When I came to, I found myself in the midst of an absolute inferno. One of the cylinders of the engine had been completely wrecked, and steam was hissing out in dense, scalding clouds,

penetrating to every nook and cranny of the engine-room and stokehold. The horror of the situation was added to when a tank of fuel oil caught fire, and the flames advanced with fatal rapidity.

“I scrambled up the iron ladder to the main deck. Already the captain, commander, and a midshipman were on the bridge, and calmly, as though on fleet manoeuvres in the Solent, orders were given out, and as calmly obeyed. The bugler sounded the ‘Still’ call, which called upon every man to remain at the post at which the call reached him. Soon there came the order, ‘Abandon ship, out boats’.

“Many of the crew had scrambled on to the side of the sinking cruiser as she slowly turned turtle, and from this temporary place of safety were sliding and diving into the sea. The captain and the midshipman stuck bravely to their posts on the bridge to the last, and were seen to disappear as the ship finally plunged bow first amid a maelstrom of cruel, swirling waters. As the Hawke went down a small pinnace and a raft which had been prepared for such an emergency floated free, but such was the onrush of the men who had been precipitated into the water that both were overcrowded.

“On the raft was seen about seventy men standing knee-deep in the water, and the pinnace also appeared to be overfilled. The cutter rowed around the outskirts of the wreck, picking up as many survivors as the boat could with safety contain. All aboard who had donned life jackets divested themselves of these and threw them to their comrades struggling in the water, and oars and all movable woodwork about the boat was also pitched overboard to

help those clinging to the wreckage, many of whom were seen to sink.

“A westerly course was set with the idea of striking the Scottish coast. About 4 p.m. a Norwegian sailing ship hove in sight, and the exhausted men were taken aboard and treated in the most kindly fashion, being served with stimulants and furnished with clothing. The rescuing ship headed towards Peterhead, but on the way encountered the Aberdeen trawler Ben Rinnes, to which the men were transferred.”

Rescuer's account

According to a telegraphist on HMS Swift, “Destroyers from the 4th division were despatched on 15th October from Scapa to look for survivors.

“HMS Swift was the first naval ship to arrive at the wreckage, 06.30 on the 16th. Swift picked up seven survivors off two rafts by 09.30. The survivors were: First Lt, Chief Stoker, Ldg seaman, two marines, a stoker and a boy. One of the marines picked up by the Swift died later aboard, and was buried at sea. After the rescue a fierce exchange took place between the Swift and two U-boats that had been lying in wait, fortunately without damage to the destroyer.

“On the return to Scapa Flow, the Swift's Captain, Charles Wintour, addressed the ship's company on the methods used by German submarines, concluding with....."and remember, when we go into action with the fleet, that five hundred good hands have gone to the bottom. Harden your hearts gentlemen, harden your hearts."

At 09.00 on the 17th October, HMS Swift arrived back at Scapa through Holm Sound, transferring the survivors to the hospital ship at noon.

U-9 was retired to be used as a training vessel in 1916 and was one of two German boats awarded the Iron Cross by the Kaiser. SM U9 Captain (Kapitänleutnant Otto Weddigen) was transferred to another U Boat (U-29) which was rammed and cut in two by HMS Dreadnought, there were no survivors from that Sub.



From Waringstown - a member of the family which gave the village its name

Lieut-Commander Ruric Waring was a member of the family which gave Waringstown its name. Photo above is of the Waring family residence

Ruric Waring was the second son of Thomas and Fanny Waring. Ruric's father had been a Colonel in the army, before serving as a Member of Parliament for West Down

for a number of years. Ruric's brother, Holt, served in the North Irish Horse in the Great War and was killed in action on 15/04/1918. He held the rank of Major and was attached to the 12th Battalion Royal Irish Rifles. Ruric's brother-in-law Lieutenant Samuel B. Combe (North Irish Horse) was also killed in action on 01/10/1914.

Ruric was born on 16/08/1879 and was educated at Stubbington House. He joined the Royal Navy in 1893 and became a midshipman in 1895, drafted to H.M.S. Britannia. He was raised to a sub-lieutenancy in 1899 and was promoted lieutenant after eighteen months' service for meritorious examinations.

In 1910, after seventeen years service, he retired on half-pay owing to ill-health, with the rank of Lieutenant Commander and was placed on the naval reserve list. In 1914, on the recommendation of the Admiralty, Ruric was about to accept an appointment in the Chinese Navy when war was declared. In the intervening years, he helped in the military drilling of the local men of the Ulster Volunteer Force and was a Company commander in the 2nd Battalion West Down Regiment. He was also Vice-President of Waringstown Cricket Club.

In August 1914, with the outbreak of war, Ruric regained his former rank of Lieutenant Commander and joined H.M.S. Hawke at Queenstown, where he awaited further orders to set sail... It was hoped for a time that, owing to his previous malady, Ruric had gone on sick leave, but this proved totally groundless when the official telegram expressing sympathy arrived from the King. Further intimation from the Admiralty announced that it was feared Lt Waring was amongst those

who had lost their lives; this was received by his brother Holt in October 1914.

The Leading Stoker from Ballymena



Joyce Power was a Leading Stoker on HMS Hawke. A report titled, "A message from the dead" was carried in the Ballymena Observer 9/9/1914/ - "The following is an extract from a letter dated 10th October written by Mr. Power to his minister, Rev. A Watson, Broughshane, and received by him on Tuesday last. After referring to his wife and children, he says: -

'The more we have lost some ships it is nothing much, if they would only come out until we get at them (he refers to the German High Seas Fleet). We would soon get our own back.

"I do not think much of my countrymen in this war for not coming out and showing their loyalty. All the single young men should join now, for this is a just war. Would they like to see their homes ruined and dear ones murdered, while they are content to stop at home? For my part I would not be elsewhere for anything. I cannot tell you anything about what we are doing. Our letters are looked over before they leave and are sent back if we say much.'

"He was a Raceview man and had been employed as a fireman at the Raceview Woollen Mills. Much sympathy is felt in the neighbourhood with his wife and two young children (twins). Mr. Power was a naval reserve man and was called up at the declaration of war."

The middle name of the female twin was 'Hawke' - called after her late father's ship.

Another Ballymena man, Alexander Mairs from Gracehill, also was lost on Hawke.

From Derry a sportsman who survived and was a casualty six months later



Able Seaman Charles Trainor

was one of the few survivors from HMS Hawke. Sadly, however, he died later in the war on board HMS Crescent. A local newspaper reported, "He had been home on a few days leave from the Mediterranean, where he had been in active service with his ship. He was one of the reservists called up on the outbreak of the Great War, and joined the crew of HMS Hawke at Queenstown. Previously he had served on H.M.S. Hogue. After joining the

Hawke at Queenstown that ship immediately commenced patrol duty, in which she was constantly engaged till she met her doom on Thursday, October 15, 1914, being sunk by a German submarine in the North Sea.

"Trainor, who was one of the few survivors of the ill-fated vessel, gave an excellent account of the sinking of the Hawke. 'I was on duty on the mess deck,' he said, 'at eleven o'clock in the morning. Our ship had stopped to pick up mails from the sister ship Endymion. This work having been

completed, immediately afterwards the Hawke was shook from stem to stern by a violent explosion. In a moment every man was at his post. It was instantly seen that the ship had sustained irreparable damage. She took on a heavy list, and in seven minutes turned. The catastrophe was so sudden and she went down so rapidly that any efforts to get out the boats were futile. One boat was launched, but it was capsized. Captain Williams held on to the rail of the bridge to the last. When it was recognised that the launching of the boats was impossible "Every man for himself" was the order.'

"At the time of the disaster Trainor was suffering from a fracture of the ribs, two of which were broken. These injuries were, he said, sustained by him some days before during coaling operations, when he was badly crushed through an accident. Heavily handicapped as he was with his injury Trainor made a jump for life, and being a good swimmer was able to keep himself afloat until he was picked up by a small boat. While in the small boat Trainor saw the periscope of the German submarine. About four o'clock in the afternoon they were taken aboard a Norwegian steamer. Trainor was asked why the submarine remained in the vicinity. 'Because she was evidently waiting to see whether the Endymion would return to our assistance, so that another torpedo could be launched at her.'

"Trainor then gave some interesting information in regard to the respective methods of operation of the British and German submarines, stating that in his opinion the British boat was decidedly superior. The Germans could not hit a cruiser unless she was halted, whereas the British gunners were able to sight and strike a moving ship. Trainor was

asked what complement did the 'Hawke' carry. 'About six hundred, of whom seventy were saved.'

'Were there many Irishmen among the crew?' 'A good number.'

'Were there many from the North West?' 'No, not many. There was one chap I knew named McGinley, from Inch, but I believe the poor fellow went down with the ship. Of course, a lot were killed by the explosion, and I am afraid he was among them. The ship's doctor was, I believe, from the Derry district. His name was Ross, and he often talked to me about Derry.'

Full naval honours at funeral in Derry

"Trainor was afterwards transferred to HMS Crescent. It was believed that the shock of the experience in the North Sea hastened his demise. His funeral took place on Tuesday, April 20, 1915. A detachment of the Royal Naval Reserve under Lieutenant W.J. Bibby, HMS Corantes, and a Company of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, with their Brass and Pipe Bands, under Lieutenant Kelly, marched immediately in front of the gun carriage, which bore the remains, in a solid oak coffin, covered with the Union Flag. The deceased's cap was placed on the coffin. There was a very large attendance of the general public, embracing all creeds and classes. Large numbers also lined the thoroughfares through which the procession passed, and in most houses the blinds were drawn as a tribute of respect. On the way to the Cemetery the bands played the Dead March, and after the service at the grave, which was conducted by the Reverend L. Hegarty, C.C., a party of the

Inniskillings, under the command of Sergeant Fullerton, fired three volleys. The Last Post was then sounded. After the grave was filled in a number of beautiful wreaths were placed on it by deceased's comrades in the Navy. The chief mourners were – Mr George Trainor (father); Messrs. James and Alexander Trainor (brothers); Mr James Trainor (uncle); Messrs. Edward, Charles and Alexander Hillen, and William and John Quigley (cousins). The clergy present were – Reverend L. Hegarty, C.C., St Eugene's; Reverend J.L. McGettigan, C.C., St Eugene's; and Reverend W. O'Neill, C.C., Long Tower.

A naval chaplain's condolences

“The chaplain of HMS Crescent, Reverend C.H. Payton, wrote a sympathetic letter to the widow of Charles Trainor, dated April 20, 1915. It read as follows:- ‘Dear Mrs Trainor – I am just writing a short letter to you to say how deeply the ship’s company sympathises with you in your recent great loss. I have not joined up with this ship very long, but am safe in saying that like the rest of our gallant navy, your husband was doing his best, and no man can do more. At a time like the present, when so many of our gallant fellows are paying the price for their country, it is very hard to try and condole with their relatives; but your husband’s case was exceptionally sad, and we all feel it to be so. All we can do is to pray that his soul, together with the souls of all whom we have lost in the present struggle, is at peace for ever with his Maker. We have the promise that “the souls of the righteous are in the hands of God, and there shall no torment touch them.” This promise has been of great help to me wherever I see that some friend or relation has been suddenly called from his work here. May I, in bringing this

brief note to a close, once more offer you our heartfelt sympathy.'

Besides being a competent seaman, Charles Trainor was known as a capable boxer and footballer, being a member of Derry Rangers F.C. He was the only Derry man who took part in a boxing tournament organised by the Royal Irish Constabulary some years before his demise. On the first anniversary of his death, his mother and father had the following in memoriam lines inserted in a Derry newspaper:-

'Though your hand we cannot clasp,
Nor your face we cannot see,
But while life with us remains
We will still remember thee.'

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Roll of Honour - HMS HAWKE

+ADAMS, Clare Robert

RN. Boy (1st. Class). J 27420 (Ch). HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 16. Boy service from 09/03/1913. Ganges and Hawke (15/04/1914 - 15/10/1914). Born Enniskillen 15/01/1898. Son of Annie Adams, Lomond Grove, Camberwell, London. ADM 188/701/27420

+AGNEW, Nathaniel

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS105083. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 26. Lost in North Sea Sunk by a German submarine. Enrolled 25/05/1907. To RFR 26/05/1912. In

Hawke 05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Signed the Ulster Covenant at the City Hall with his father, September 1912. His brother, William was killed serving with the army. Born Belfast 22/10/1888. Son of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Agnew, Westminster Avenue, Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. Panel 4. Strandtown WM. IMR. ADM 188/1111/105083

+ALGIE, Robert

RN. Able Seaman. D/JX 198146. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Aged 28. Hawke was torpedoed by German U-9 in North Sea. Enrolled 16/09/1903 for 5 and 7 years. Served to 25/09/1908. Joined RFR 26/09/1907. In Hawke 05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Born Belfast 24/09/1884. He was a sewing machine mechanic in Freehand & Ferguson's hem-stitching factory. Husband to Mary J. Algie, Greenwell St., Newtownards. They married in Ballygrainey Presbyterian Church and had two children. Their son was aged two years and their daughter three months old when Robert died. Brother of Battery Sergeant Major James Algie Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 1. Newtownards WM, Greenwell Street, Newtownards PCI RH. IMR. ADM 188/1094/40

ALLEN, John Alexander

RN. Stoker I. SS100717. Enrolled 19//04/1904 for 5 and 7 years. Joined RFR 24/04/1909. Served 05/08/1914 - 14/04/1923. War service in Hawke (05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Survivor), Pembroke II, Wallaroos, Astraea and Aquitania. Born Markethill 11/01/1886. ADM 188/1106/100717

+BELL, David

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS108915. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 28. Enrolled 16/07/1909. Served to

11/07/1914. Transferred to RFR 12/07/1914. Served in Hawke 05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Born Ballymena 24/09/1887. Son of Edmond and Jane Bell, Belfast. Husband to Annie McCauley, Ambleside St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. ADM 188/1114/108915

+CAMPBELL, George Jackson

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS104251. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Served 10/12/1906 - 09/12/1911. Joined RFR 10/12/1911. Born Belfast 25/10/1888. East Bread St., Ballymaccarett. St Patrick's Parish Church WM. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 4. ADM 188/1110/104251

+CHISIM, John

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS105949. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Aged 25. Enrolled 25/10/1907 for 5 and 7 years. Served 25/10/1907 - 26/10/1912. Joined RFR 27/10/1912. In Hawke 05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Born Belfast 04/10/1889. Son of John and Mary Eleanor Chisim, Haldane St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. IMR. ADM 188/1111/105949

+CLARKE, William

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS100711. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Aged 28. Enrolled 15/04/1904 for 5 and 7 years. Served to 21/05/1909. Joined RFR 22/05/1909. In Hawke 05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Born Belfast 25/12/1885. Son of John and Sarah McConnell, Foreman St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. ADM 188/1106/100711

+CORMICAN, Hugh Patrick

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS108467. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Aged 30. Born Belfast 30/11/1890. Son of Mary Cormican, Ballyquillin, Aldergrove, Crumlin, and the late

John Cormican. Chatham Naval Memorial. Crumlin WM.
ADM 188/1114/108467

+CRAWFORD, Hugh L

RNR. AB. SS2908. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 26.
Served 24/07/1909 - 25/07/1914. Transferred to RFR
26/07/1914. In Hawke 05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Born
Belfast 08/01/1888. Son of Johnathon and Sarah Crawford,
Coyle's Place, Ormeau Road, Belfast. Husband to Isabella
Crawford, Wigton Street, Belfast. St Simon's C of I Parish.
Chatham Naval Memorial. Great Victoria Street - PCI RH.
ADM 188/1096/2908

+CREIGHTON, Robert

RNR. Stoker 1st Class. SS/107757. HMS Hawke. Died
15/10/1914. Age 22. Enrolled 22/09/1908 for 5 and 7 years.
Served to 20/09/1913. Joined RFR 21/09/1913. In Hawke
05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Born Larne 14/02/1890. Son of
Maggie Creighton, Mountcollyer Street, Belfast and the late
Thomas H Creighton. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 4.
ADM 188/1113/107757

+CROSSIN, Edward.

RN. Stoker I. K6960. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age
24. Enrolled 21/06/1910 for 12 years. In Hawke 14/02/1913
- 15/10/1914. Born Belfast 05/12/1891. Son of James and
Annie Crossin, Lisburn. Chatham Naval Memorial, Kent,
panel 4. ADM 188/880/6960

+DAWSON, John Thomas Gibson

RN. AB. SS2426. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 24.
Enrolled 04/05/1908 for 5 and 7 years. Served to
03/05/1913. Joined RFR 04/05/1913. In Hawke 05/08/1914 -
15/10/1914. Born Belfast 16/10/1889. Son of Henry and

Denah Dawson, 356 Donegall Rd., Belfast. St Simon's C of I Parish. Chatham Naval Memorial. Donegall Road - PCI RH. ADM 188/1096/2426

+DICKY, James

RN. Stoker I. SS/104940. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Enrolled 09/04/1907 for 5 and 7 years. Served to 13/04/1912. Joined RFR 14/04/1912. Served in Hawke 05/08/1914 - 15/10/1914. Born Belfast 21/01/1889. Canton St., Belfast. IMR. ADM 188/1110/104940

+DONALD, Marriott Robert (Martie)

RN. Stoker 1st. SS/107927. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Served 29/01/1909 - 24/01/1914. Joined RFR 25/01/1914 serving in Hawke until 15/10/1914. Born Carrickfergus 25/10/1886. Son of Isabella Donald of Red Brae Cottage and the late Robert Donald. Husband to Bella Donald. Their daughter Mariette Isabella Donald was born at the end of 1914. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 5. Carrickfergus WM. ADM 188/1113/107927

+ELKIN, William James

Petty Officer 1st Class. 174504. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 37. Born Coleraine. Son of Nurse Elkin and the late Sergeant Elkin, Brook Street, Coleraine. Chatham Naval Memorial. Coleraine WM

+ELLIOTT, John

RN. Stoker. HMS Hawke. Hardinge St., Belfast

+FEE, Samuel

Stoker 1st Class. SS102801. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 25. Born Belfast. Husband of Catherine Fee, Harrisburg St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. Castleton - PCI RH.

+FEE, Samuel

Stoker. HMS Hawke. Barbour Street. Whitehouse - PCI RH

+GILLESPIE, William John

RN. Stoker 1st. Class. SS107919. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/14. Age 30. Son of William and Maria Gillespie of Dunmurry. Chatham Naval Memorial, Kent, Panel 5.

+GILLESPIE, W J

Stoker. HMS Hawke. Wolfhill Cottage, Ligoniel, Belfast

+GORMAN, James Toland

AB. SS/2796. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 25. Son of James and Fanny Gorman, Summerhill St., Belfast.

+HAMILTON, Robert John

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS104942. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 25. Born Belfast. Son of Joseph and Sarah Hamilton, Mersey St., Belfast.

+HARPER, William James

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS/104430. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Linden St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial

+HUNTER, Robert

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS104449. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. 25 years of age. Born Belfast. Husband to Isabella Hunter, of Derwent Street, Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. St Patrick's, Ballymacarrett WM. Family Memorial Dundonald Cemetery.

+JOHNSTON, William

RN. AB. 188608. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 34. Husband to Mrs. Johnston, Stewart St., Belfast. Also Kitchener St. Chatham Naval Memorial.

+LAVERTY, Daniel

Stoker 1st Class. SS108512. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 23. Born Belfast. Son of Jane Laverty, Ravenscroft St., Connswater, Belfast, and the late James Laverty. Chatham Naval Memorial. McQuiston Memorial - PCI RH

+LEWIS, Isaac

RN. Stoker 1st Class. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 23. Son of Isaac and Margaret J Lewis of Ballymacarret, Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. Panel 5. Strand (Sydenham) - PCI RH

+MAIRS, Alexander

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS/101872. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 29. Son of John and Maggie Mairs, Gracehill. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 5 and Kells Pres. Church.

+McALLISTER, Andrew

Stoker 1st Class. SS103005. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 24. Born Carrickfergus 01/03/1887. Husband of Susan McAllister, Patterson's Row, Woodburn, Carrickfergus. Chatham Naval Memorial. Panel 5. Joymount - PCI RH

+McCAUGHERTY, David

AB. 176815. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914 Age 37. Born Belfast. Awarded East and West Africa medal (Benin expedition). Served in the South African War. Son of William McCaugherty, Belfast; husband to Martha McCaugherty, Hurst St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. Great Victoria Street - PCI RH

+McCOMB, Hugh

RN. Stoker 1st Class. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914.
Ogilvie St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 5.

+McEVOY, Patrick

Leading Stoker. 285115. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914.
Age 34. Born Dechomet. Son of Edward and Mary Ann
McEvoy, Dechomet; husband to Rose Ann McEvoy,
Dechomet, Ballyward, Banbridge. Chatham Naval Memorial.

+McFARLANE, William

Stoker 1st Class. SS108637. HMS Hawke. Died
15/10/1914. Age 24. Born Belfast. Son of William and Sarah
McFarlane, Fifth St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial.

+McNALLY, James

Stoker 1st Class. SS107103. HMS Hawke. Died
15/10/1914. Age 23. Born Belfast. Son of Joseph and
Elizabeth McNally, Grosvenor Rd., Belfast. Chatham Naval
Memorial.

+MILLS, John

Stoker 1st Class. SS106665. HMS Hawke. Died
15/10/1914. Age 25. Born Belfast. Husband to Mary Mills,
Coolderry St., Donegall Rd., Belfast. St Simon's C of I
Parish. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 5.

+MOLLOY, Charles H

RN. Chief Petty Officer. 171847. HMS Hawke. Born
Durmragh, Tyrone. Clementine St., Belfast. St Simon's C of I
Parish. Chatham Naval Memorial.

+MOLLOY, James

RN.AB. HMS Hawke. Hurst Street, Belfast. Great Victoria
Street - PCI RH

+MULLEN, Edward

Stoker 1st Class. SS106287. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 26. Born Belfast. Son of William and Jane Mullen, Sugarfield St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial.

+POWER, Joyce

RN. 308879, Leading Stoker. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Aged 33. Son of Mr. and Mrs. William Power, Ahoghill; husband of Maggie Power, Waring Street, Ballymena. Chatham Naval Memorial. 2nd Broughshane - PCI RH. Family memorial in Ballymena New Cemetery, Cushendall Road.

+PURDY, Richard

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS/104630. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Ottawa St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. Panel 5. Shankill Rd Mission - PCI RH. Family Memorial Dundonald cemetery

+ROSS, William James

Able Seaman. SS2905. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 23. Born Belfast. Son of Robert and Sarah Ross, Upper Newtownards Rd., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial.

+SEFTON, Thomas Henry

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS/103314. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Kendal St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 5.

+SMYTH, John

RN. Stoker 1st Cl. SS104254. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Conningsby St., Belfast

+THOMPSON, Archer

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS/104956. HMS Hawke. Died

5/10/1914. Teutonic St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 5.

+TULLY, David

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS107383. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914 Age 25. Born Belfast. Son of George and Susannah Tully, of Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial. Bristol Street, Belfast. Agnes Street - PCI RH

+UPRICHARD, Charles Edward

Stoker 1st Class. SS108911. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 23. Born Lurgan. Son of John and Elizabeth Uprichard, Rosebank St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial.

+WARING, Ruric Henry

Lieut-Commander. H.M.S. Hawke. Age 37. Son of Thomas and Fanny Waring, of Waringstown. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 1. Lurgan WM.

+WASSON, Henry

RN. Stoker 1st Class. SS/103313. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Emerson's Row, Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 6

+WILSON, Albert Patterson

RN. AB. 224462. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson, (possibly Moneyreagh St.), Belfast; husband to May Wilson, The Square, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

+WILSON, James

RN. Stoker. 295854. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Age 23. Served from 26/03/1909 - 28/03/1914. Joined RFR 29/03/1914. Native of Belfast. Born Newry 21/09/1880. Son

of the late James Wilson. Britannic St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial.

+YATES, John

RN. Stoker. 1st Class. SS/100526. HMS Hawke. Died 15/10/1914. Springmount St., Belfast. Chatham Naval Memorial, Panel 6. Rosemary Street - PCI Belfast

Roll of Honour - HMS HAWKE - Survivors

ALEXANDER, John Alexander

Stoker First Class. SS10977(Ch). HMS Hawke survivor. Emerson St., Belfast

DAVIS, William Arthur

RN. Stoker I. SS106679. Survivor of HMS Hawke lost 15/10/1914. "Belfast stoker amongst survivors - William Arthur Davis of 31 Gainsborough Drive, Belfast, who was a stoker on HMS Hawke, has wired his relatives from Aberdeen, stating that he is safe. His brother, Thomas Davis, is at present serving in Ballykinlar Camp." - Belfast News Letter, 19/10/1914. Enrolled 24/02/1908 for 5 and 7 years. Served to 22/02/1913. Joined RFR 23/02/1913. Served from 05/08/1914 to demob 15/04/1921. War service in Hawke, Pembroke II, Wildfire and Indomitable. Born Belfast 20/02/1890. ADM 188/1112/106679

DOYLE, Thomas Hugh

RN. Seaman. 226467 (Ch). HMS Hawke survivor. Warkworth Rd., Belfast

GREER, William

RN. Stoker. HMS Hawke survivor. Cuan Place, Belfast

MOLLOY, Charles H

RN. Petty Officer. HMS Hawke survivor. Clementine St., Belfast

TRAINOR, Charles

RN. AB.177805. Hawke survivor later lost on HMS Crescent. Died 18/04/1915. Age 44. Born in Londonderry. Son of George and Mary Trainor, Nelson St., Londonderry; husband to Catherine Trainor, North St., Londonderry. Londonderry City Cemetery. Londonderry, The Diamond WM.

Roll of Honour – October 15

Representing their comrades who died on this day

1915

+GALLAGHER, Robert James

Royal Irish Rifles, 1st Btn. Rifleman. 6997. Died 15/10/1915. Age 19. Son of Mrs. Eliza Jane Gallagher, of 150, My Lady's Rd., Belfast. Sailly-sur-La-Lys Cemetery, France

+GRIMASON, George

RN. Seaman. 235183. HMS Illustrious. Died of illness 09/10/1915. Born Portadown 17/07/1888. Son of John and Mary Grimson. Husband to Ada. Portadown News reported that a few weeks previously he had attended his father's funeral in Portadown, and that he had contracted a fever

when returning to duty...“Not many months ago his brother John was killed in action”. (Portadown News 16/10/1915). Enrolled 17/07/1906 for 12 years. War service in Argyll, Vivid I and Illustrious (30/07/1914 - 09/10/1915). Born Portadown 17/07/1888. Carleton St., Portadown. Scathe Road cemetery, Grimsby. Portadown RH. ADM 188/417/235183

1916

+BATES, James Fitzgerald

Manchester Regiment, 11th Btn. Private. 24649. Died 15/10/1916. Age 18. Son of James and Jane Isabella Bates, of 72, Havana St., Belfast. St Sever Cemetery, Rouen, France

+DOWNEY, James

Royal Irish Rifles, 9th Btn. Rifleman. 9/14495. Died 15/10/1916. Born Ballyclare. He worked as a yarn dresser in Ligoniel Weaving Company. He was a member of the UVF. Son of John Downey. Husband to Sarah Jane (nee Soye) Downey, 13 Mill St., Whiteabbey. They had six children including two sets of twins. St Quentin Cabaret Military Cemetery, Belgium. Ballyclare WM

+McCALL, Joseph

Royal Engineers, 258th Tunnelling Company. Sapper. 86132. Died 15/10/1916. Formerly a Private in the Irish Guards. 511 Ormeau Rd., Belfast. Born on 26/01/1879 in Moy, County Tyrone. Youngest son of David and Mary Ann McCall. Stangmore, Dungannon. Loos Memorial, Loos-en-Gohelle, Pas-de-Calais, France.

1917

+BROWN, John

RNR. Engineer Lieutenant. MFA Whitehead. Died 15/10/1917. Aged 41. Son of John and Jane Brown, Woodstock Rd., Belfast; husband to Rosina Brown, Perkin St., Newcastle, New South Wales. Portsmouth Naval Memorial, Panel 27. IMR

+CHRISTIE, Robert Francis Sanderson

Royal Flying Corps. Second Lieutenant. Died 15/10/1917. On 19/01/1917 the Armagh Guardian reported, "Lieut Christie RFC, second son of Rev WB Christie, has been killed. Revd Christie's sons have then made the great sacrifice". His brother Cedric fell serving with the Liverpool Regiment on 19/12/1915. Son of the Revd Edwin Barry Christie and Julia Pasche Christie of Middletown Rectory, Co Armagh. Middleton Lodge Hill Cemetery, Birmingham

+GATES, Thomas

Australian Infantry, 15th Btn. Private. 4797. Died 15/10/1917. Age 24. Born at Derrymeen, Coalisland about 1893. Son of John and Rebecca Gates. He emigrated to Australia, aged 21, and worked as a farm labourer. He enlisted at Kingaroy, Queensland on 21/09/1915. In October 1917 he was wounded. Divisional Collecting Post Cemetery Extension, Ypres, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. Dungannon WM, St Anne's C of I Church WM

+McNIECE, John Alexander

NZEF. Otago Regiment, 3rd Btn. Private. 45107. Died 15/10/1917. Age 30. Born Duneane on 03/11/1887. He had been living in New Zealand for seven years when he

enlisted in Invercargill on 01/12/1916. Prior to enrollment he was a Police Sergeant in Invercargill having joined the New Zealand Police Force in September 1911. Son of John and Esther (nee Morrow) McNiece, of Ballymatoskerty, Toome. His brother , Samuel, was a farmer living at Pongakawa, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand. Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium

+ROBINSON, James Thomas

RNR. Engineer Sub-Lieutenant. M.F.A. Whitehead. Died 15/10/1917. Age 29. Son of the late James and Annie Robinson, of 14, Stranmillis Park, Belfast. Portsmouth Naval Memorial

1918

+BROWN, S G

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 1st Btn. Private. 27114. Died 15/10/1918. Brother of Mrs. L. Wilson, of 9, Sydney St. West, Belfast. Dadizeele New British Cemetery, Belgium

+CAMPBELL, James

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 2nd Btn. Private. 19859. Died 15/10/1918. Prisoner of War. Born in Magherafelt about 1898. Son of William and Jane Campbell. He enlisted in Cookstown. Sarralbe Military Cemetery, Sarralbe, Moselle

+CARSON, Samuel

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 1st Btn. Private. 24680. Died 15/10/1918. Age 21. Son of William and Martha Carson, of Doogary, Omagh, Co. Tyrone. Duhallow ADS Cemetery, Belgium

+COBURN, Thomas

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 9th Btn. Private. 20792. Died 15/10/1918. Age 19. Son of Thomas and Minnie Coburn, of Lisanelly, Omagh, Co. Tyrone. Duhallow ADS Cemetery, Belgium

+CROSS, Thomas John

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 9th Btn. Private. 19343. Died 15/10/1918. Age 35. Thomas received injuries to both legs at the Battle of the Somme in July 1916 and was removed to hospital in England. He recovered and returned to active service. Thomas and his twin brother Samuel were born in Drumglass, Dungannon about 1884. By 1901 his father had died. The family may have had a drapers shop in Market Square, Dungannon. Thomas was a Past Master of Dungannon Loyal Orange Lodge No. 1229 and a member of the Dungannon Royal Black Preceptory No. 823. He was a member of the Moy Company Ulster Volunteer Force. His twin brother Private Samuel Wallace Cross, 11190, also served with the 9th Inniskillings and would survive the war. Son of Mary Cross nee Warwick and the late John Cross, of Market Square, Dungannon. (Belfast Newsletter 21/10/1918). Cement House Cemetery, Langemark, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. Dungannon WM, St Anne's C of I, Dungannon, WM.

+DOOLE, Isaac

Royal Irish Rifles. 2nd Btn. Rifleman. 19467. Died of wounds while in the care of 110 Field Ambulance on 15/10/1918. Aged 24. Born Crevilly, Kellswater on 11/01/1894. Lived in Muckamore and enlisted in Antrim.

He was a member of the UVF and Diamond LOL 1422, Muckamore. His brother William also served in the Royal Irish Rifles and survived the war. He was the son of Robert and Agnes Doole (nee Johnston), Islandbawn, Muckamore. Godewaersveld British Cemetery, Nord, France. Antrim Town WM. Muckamore Presbyterian Church RH

+HANNING, William

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 1st Btn. Private. 31036. Died 15/10/1918. Born at Hanley, Co. Armagh. His effects were left to his brother John Hanning of Donaghmore, Co. Down. Harlebeke New British Cemetery, Belgium

+HARVEY, Frederick George

Royal Irish Rifles, 12th Btn. Lance Corporal. 9660. Died 15/10/1918. Age 18. Son of Joseph and Mary Harvey, of 5, Pacific Avenue, Antrim Rd., Belfast. Born Bedford. Duhallow ADS Cemetery, Belgium

+HEGARTY, James

Royal Irish Rifles, 12th Btn. Rifleman. 18/18. Died 15/10/1918. Age 41 years old. Son of William Hegarty, of Killowen St., Coleraine, Co. Derry; husband to Maggie Hegarty (nee McAlary), Killowen St., Coleraine. Duhallow ADS Cemetery, Belgium

+McCAUSLAND, Thomas

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 9th Btn. Corporal. 17622. Died 15/10/1918. Age 23. Son of Jane McCausland, of Mullaghmore, Seskanore, Omagh, Co. Tyrone. Dadizeele New British Cemetery, Belgium

+McKELVEY, J

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 9th Btn. Private. 21794.
Died 15 /10/1918. Age 19. Son of Hugh and Annie
McKelvey, of 34 Albert Place, Sion Mills, Co. Tyrone.
Cement House Cemetery, Belgium

+McSORLEY, William

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 9th Btn. Corporal. 14102.
Died 15/10/1918. Age 30. Son of Mr. G. W. McSorley, of
Erne Terrace, Lisnaskia, Co. Fermanagh. Dadizele
Communal Cemetery, Belgium

+MITCHELL, Samuel

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 1st Btn. Private. 28963
Died 15/10/1918. Age 38. Son of David and Annie Mitchell,
of Craigtown; husband of Elizabeth Mitchell, of Craigtown,
Londonderry. Duhallow ADS Cemetery, Belgium

+MURRAY, Robert

Royal Scots Fusiliers, 1st Btn. Private. 52661. Died
15/10/1918. Larne. Grevillers British Cemetery, Pas de
Calais, France

+SPENCE, Robert

Royal Irish Rifles. 12th Btn. Rifleman. 22325. Died
15/10/1918. Age 33. Son of James Given Spence and
Agnes Spence, of 2, Bellevue Terrace, Shore Rd., Belfast.
Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium

+WHITEHOUSE, Robert

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 2nd Btn. Private. 27762. Age 18. Died 15/10/1918 in the bitter fighting around Dadizeele and Cheluwe, some 16 kilometers east of Ypres, as the Allies forced the German army back in the early stages of the Advance to Victory. He was living at 69 Winston Street, Glasgow until enlisting. It would appear he had travelled there to find work. Born born in 1900 to John and Eliza Jane Whiteside of Glencush, Tullyard. He was living at 69 Winston Street Glasgow until enlisting. It would appear he had travelled there to find work. Dadizeele New British Cemetery, Belgium

+WILLIAMS, Ernest Joseph

Royal Irish Rifles. 5th Btn. attd. 2nd Btn. Lieutenant. Died 15/10/1918. Age 26. Son of James A. and Emily K. Williams, of The Willows, Northland Rd., Londonderry. Dadizeele New British Cemetery, Belgium

1918 Injury

Mrs. Graham, 19 Kingswood Street, Belfast, has been notified that her husband, **Corporal R. Graham, Royal Garrison Artillery**, was wounded in action on **October 15, 1918**. Prior to enlistment he was employed in Messrs. Harland & Wolf's. Private Graham has a brother serving with the Army Service Corps, and he has also been wounded.

1919

+MAGEE, John

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 7th/8th Btn. Private. 44205. Died 15/10/1919. Aged 40. Son of William and Rose Magee, of Ballycruttle, Downpatrick. Terlincthun British Cemetery, Wimille, France

+TOTTON, George

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 3rd Btn. Private. 3229. Died 15/10/1919. Aged 24. Son of Mary Totton, of 16, Convention St., Belfast, and the late George Totton. Dundonald Cemetery

1940

+FENEMORE, Stanley Allen

RAFVR. Sergeant (Pilot). 745110. Died 15/10/1940. Aged 20. 501 Sqdn. In February 1939, he joined the RAFV as an airman training to become a pilot. He trained at RAF Sydenham, No. 24 Elementary and Reserve Flying Training School until the end of August 1939. He was called-up on 01/09/1939, completing training at 2 Flying Training School, Brize Norton. There, he took part in No. 44 Course between 11/12/1939 and 18/05/1940.

Upon completing training, he joined 5 Operational Training Unit at Aston Down on 19/05/1940. He converted to piloting Hurricanes. On 10th June, he moved to RAF 263 Squadron at RAF Drem. They had recently returned from Norway and reformed after the sinking of HMS Glorious.

09/07/1940 brought a posting to RAF 219 Squadron at Catterick. Between 13th and 17th July 1940, he moved back to Northern Ireland, flying with RAF 245 Squadron at

Aldergrove. His first operational sortie with 245 Squadron came on 21/07/1940. His last with them was on 26/09/1940.

His final posting, to RAF 501 Squadron, took place on 30/09/1940, to the Kenley Aerodrome in Surrey. His first sortie with 501 Squadron came on 07/10/1940. A little over a week later, the 20-year-old pilot died in action.

While serving with RAF 501 Squadron, Sergeant Fenemore took part in the Battle of Britain campaign. Fenemore was piloting Hawker Hurricane Mk I V6722 SD-V which was shot down at 0815hrs on 15/10/1940 over Redhill, Surrey, south of London, in combat with Messerschmitt ME109s. The young pilot's Hurricane went down under fire. The plane crashed at Posterngate Farm, Godstone, Tandridge, Surrey. Sergeant Fenemore died at the scene. On 01/01/1944, a 12 foot silver cedar tree was planted at the crash site to remember the young pilot.

Son of William Allen Fenemore and Gertrude Fenemore, of Whitewell, Co. Antrim, Liverpool (Allerton) Cemetery. 502 (Ulster) Squadron WM, St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast

1942

+MASON, West Stewart

RAFVR. Sergeant (Air Gunner). 1480500. Died 15/10/1942. Age 26. 103 Sqdn, Bomber Command. In Handley-Page Halifax W1213 on air raid to Koln. Member of a crew of seven. Son of John Stewart Mason And Isabella Mason, of Belfast. Rheinberg War Cemetery, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany.

1944

+MARTIN, William Ernest Whitney

Royal Artillery. 8th HAA Regiment. 23 Bty. Lieutenant. 179291. Died 15/11/1944. Aged 23. Attd. 1st Bn. The London Irish Rifles, Royal Ulster Rifles. Son of William Ernest and Christina Martin, of Oldpark Rd., Belfast. Forli War Cemetery, Italy

+SCOTT, Richard

Royal Ulster Rifles, 2nd. Btn. Rifleman. 7021372. Died 15/10/1944. Aged 22. Overloon War Cemetery, Noord-Brabant, Netherlands

+THOMPSON, Robert

RAFVR. Sergeant. 1799820. Died 15/10/1944. Aged 18. 166 Sqdn. Son of Robert and Mary Edith Thompson, of Belfast, Co. Antrim. Runnymede Memorial, Surrey, Panel 239

+WILLS, Robert

RAF. 166 Squadron. Sergeant 1799461 Died 15/10/1944. RAF Kirmington, Lincolnshire. He was part crew of seven in Avro Lancaster I ME748 which took off 2215 hrs on 14/10/1944 from RAF Kirmington, Lincolnshire, for bombing mission over Duisburg Germany. Missing, failed to return, presumed to have been killed 15/10/1944. Except for Flying Officer (Pilot) 182101 George Kenneth Shaw who is at rest in Reichswald Forest War Cemetery, Germany, the remainder died at the scene and are all commemorated on the Runnymede Memorial, Surrey. Lisburn Cathedral RH

1945

+BRADLEY, Hugh Hutchinson

RAFVR. Flying Officer. 167767. Died 15/10/1945. Aged 22.
Son of John Henry and Elizabeth F. Bradley of Belfast.
Carnmoney Cemetery

VETERANS

ALGIE, James

Royal Field Artillery. Battery Sergeant Major. Died of disease on Monday 15/10/1928 (aged 57). James Algie was born around 1871 in Scotland and he was a son of John Algie (born in Scotland) and Mary Algie (nee Connor, born in Co Down) who were married on 15/04/1870 in Albert Street Presbyterian Church. The Algie family lived at 31 James Street, Newtownards. Belfast. They had at least seven children. Their mother Mary died of nephritis on 09/08/1910 in James Street, Newtownards (aged 62). Their father John died of heart disease on 20/07/1917 in Ann Street, Newtownards (aged 68). In civilian life James Algie worked as a print cutter. James Algie and Elizabeth Adair were married on 27/01/1903 in Second Newtownards Presbyterian Church and they had three children. Elizabeth Algie died on 26/06/1908 (aged 33), six days after giving birth; she had been suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis for six months. James Algie and Mary Finlay were married on 27/03/1909 in Newington Presbyterian Church Belfast and they had four children. During the Great War James Algie served as a Battery Sergeant Major with the Royal Field Artillery in India. It was there that he contracted malaria and was invalided home. Battery Sergeant Major James Algie was discharged from the army on medical

grounds and he was 57 when he died on 15/10/1928 in the County Infirmary, Downpatrick. At that time his wife and family were living at 4 Balfour Street, Newtownards. His brother Able Seaman Robert Algie died 15/10/1914 in HMS Hawke exactly 14 years earlier. Movilla Cemetery, Newtownards. Newtownards WM

ALLEN, James McGregor Allen

RN. AB. J23707. Enrolled 21/12/1914 for 12 years. Boy service in Impregnable, Theseus, Vivid I, Caernarvon. OS and AB in Delphinium, Victorious, Suffolk and Invincible. Invalided 15/10/1919. Born Londonderry 21/12/1896. ADM 188/694/23707

+BAILLIE, Robert McDonald

RN. Stoker 2nd Class. K53085. HMS Hercules. Enrolled 16/08/1918 for hostilities. In Victory and Hercules. Demobbed 15/10/1919. Born Port Glasgow 10/10/1894. Died 03/12/1919. Son of Robert Baillie, Vicarage St., Belfast. Joint headstone, Dundonald Cemetery.

DUFF, Aaron

RN. AB. J25165. HMS Constance, Jutland. Enrolled 24/07/1914 for 12 years. War service in Vivid, Constance (26/01/1916 - 18/06/1917), Cambrian, and Leander. Invalided out 15/10/1919. Earl Street, Belfast. Sinclair Seaman's - PCI RH. Born Belfast 24/07/1896. ADM 188/697/25165

MONTGOMERY, Verus Calvin

Royal Army Medical Corps. Captain. Born in 1890 at Ballyboley, Ballynure. Son of Hugh Johnston Montgomery and Mary Jane Montgomery. Graduate in Medicine of

Queens University Belfast. He was wounded on 20/11/1917 in Palestine. Commemorated on the War Memorial in Ballynure Presbyterian Church.

Calvin Montgomery married Margaret Olive Rosalind Wedgwood (a descendant of Josiah Wedgwood) in 1920. They lived at Little Park Farm, Feltham, Middlesex where he practised medicine. He died on 15/10/1959.

Larne Times – 14th October 1916

LARNE MAN WINS THE MILITARY MEDAL

Rifleman R King of the Royal Irish Rifles, who has been awarded the Military Medal for gallantry in action on 1st July. Before joining the Ulster Division Rifleman King was in the employment of the Larne Shipbuilding Company and resided with his sister and brother-in-law at 3 Ship Street, Larne Harbour. He was a member of the Newington Company, U.V.F."

Rifleman Robert King survived the war transferring to the Z Class Reserve list on 14/03/1919.

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