

# Aberdare Cottage Homes - WW1 Roll of Honour



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## Introduction

To commemorate the anniversary of WW1, I was asked to research the men whose names appear on the Aberdare Cottage Homes Memorial Roll held at the Glamorgan Archives.

There are a total of 83 names on the Roll, some with more information than others, and upon undertaking initial research it seemed that they had all attended the Industrial School at St Fagan in Trecynon, Aberdare.

According to Kelly's Directory of 1910: "The Industrial School of Merthyr Tydfil Union, Trecynon, to give it its correct title, was built in 1871 by the Guardians, originally used as an Infirmary, and in 1877 converted to its present use. There is a new receiving home, also 2 Cottage Homes; the School is intended to separate pauper children from the influence of the adults, and gives a training to the children in different trades and occupations, and there is an industrial trainer for each department. The institution holds 200 children, with Thomas J Owen as Superintendent".

My research was undertaken in two ways; Primary sources using documents held at the Glamorgan Archives and Secondary sources online via Ancestry, Find My Past, Forces War Records and the Aberdare Leader Newspaper web site.

Whilst attending the Archives, I started by looking up their online catalogue in order to access documents held there. These included records of the Industrial School and Cottage Homes; the Aberdare School Boys Register; the Guardian Minute Books and Admission & Discharge Registers of the Merthyr Union Workhouse. There is a bibliography at the back of this research.

I spent several months reading through these documents looking for the names on the Roll; sometimes the names jumped out at me, other times I could only find family members mentioned. Gradually I built up their early lives. Alongside this I went online trying to trace birth details along with census entries and military history. This allowed me to build up the men's stories leading up to and including WW1.

Within each personal record, I have used a colour code when documenting the research - **black** for the information found in documents in the Archives, **green** for information found online and **red** for the military information also found online.

Some of the names revealed an interesting hidden history of information, whereas other names, due to lack of initial information did not reveal very much at all. Among them there are four servicemen who won the Military Medal (MM), one who received the Distinguish Conduct Medal (DCM) and nine are recorded as casualties.

Whilst reading through the Merthyr Union Workhouse Guardian Minutes, I came across the following items of interest. In volume UM/1/39, the Children's Homes Committee of 13<sup>th</sup> June 1912 noted that the King and Queen came on a visit to Aberdare. I would imagine that they did not actually visit the Children's Home but stopped somewhere in the town or even just passed through.

The other item of interest came within volume UM/1/42, the Children's Homes Committee of 13<sup>th</sup> May 1915 - Page 55 Item No 195 titled "Roll of Honour". It states "The Superintendant having reported that a considerable number of old boys from the Homes were serving their Country, we recommend that he prepare a complete list and submit to the next meeting of the Committee with a view of them appearing on a Roll of Honour". Following on, the Children's Homes Committee 30 Sep 1915 - Page 370 Item 1180 - "We recommend that the Superintendent prepare a Roll Of Honour of boys serving with the Colours, and that the same be suspended in the Committee Room at the Home" and finally the Children's Homes Committee 11 Nov 1915 - Page 457 Item 1488 - "The Superintendent submitted a list of Old Boys who had joined the Colours to do duty for their Country".

Although I have found as much information as it is possible at this time, the research is far from complete. If anyone recognises a possible ancestor amongst the names on the Roll of Honour and is able to fill in any missing details, please contact the Glamorgan Archives as we would love to hear from you.



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## Pte John Aubrey, Australian Infantry

### UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

John Aubrey (6) son of Sarah A [Kenneth (3)]  
Admitted: Sept – Dec 1899 from: 8 Victoria Street, Dowlais

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School, Admittance & Discharge Register

John Aubrey b: 1893 Merthyr  
Admitted: 30 Oct 1899 - parents unknown Admitted: 16 Jun 1900 - parentage unknown

**1901 Census Online** John (7) @ St Fagan's

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

No: 1132 – John Aubrey b: 3/8/94 Merthyr Admitted: 1/9/1902 - Training School

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Aubrey, John - Admitted: 30 Oct 1899 Indep. Discharged: 27 Dec 1906

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare

Aubrey, John Samuel bap: 3 May 1903 – Industrial School – parents unknown

### UM/1/34 – Guardians Minute Books 1907 – 1908, Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes

229 – Read letter from Mrs Reynolds, 40 Lower Union Street, Dowlais, who took her two nephews, John and Kenneth Aubrey, from the School in December last, stating that Kenneth was a very wicked boy, and she desired to send him back to the School, as she could do nothing with him. Resolved: both boys to be brought back to School. [10 Jun 1907 Pg 58]

289 – The Superintendant reported that John and Kenneth Aubrey had been brought back to the School from the home of Mrs Reynolds, 14 Lower Union Street, Dowlais. Mrs Reynolds appeared and applied for the older boy John, but the Committee recommend that his application be not entertained. [24 Jun 1907 Pg 73]

### UM/63/8 - Industrial School, Admittance & Discharge Register

John Samuel b: 1892 Merthyr (Aberdare)  
Admitted: 22 June 1907 - Brought back by order of Sch. Comm.  
Discharged: 13 Jul 1907 to service Mr P Pugh, 1 Zion Place, Cwmbach

371 – Mr Peter Pugh, 1 Zion Place, Cwmbach, Aberdare, attended before the Committee and applied for the boy, John Aubrey, to work with him underground. The boy having subsequently appeared before the Committee and expressed his willingness to go out with Mr Pugh, the Committee recommended that the boy be allowed to go for a month's trial upon the usual conditions. [8 Jul 1907 Pg 91]

372 – The Superintendant reported that a week's wages, amounting to about 14s, were due to John Aubrey from Messrs. Guest, Keen & Co., in whose employ he was as engine cleaner prior to his being returned to the School, and the Committee recommend that the Company be authorised to pay the amount due, less 2s for pocket money for the boy, to Mr Reynolds, the person with whom the boy lived whilst in Dowlais. [8 July 1907 Pg 91]

505 – Mr Peter Pugh, 1 Sion Place, Cwmbach, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and expressed satisfaction with the boy John Aubrey, who had been with him for a month on trial. The boy appeared and expressed his desire to remain with Mr Pugh. Resolved: usual outfit be granted and Contract signed. [12 Aug 1907 Pg 128]

### UM/63/8 - Industrial School, Admittance & Discharge Register

John Samuel - Boarded out – 28 Aug 1908

**1911 Census Online** @ Gwynfa, Cwmbach Road, Aberdare  
John Samuel (18) b Merthyr Vale Coal Miner/Hewer  
Adopted son of Peter & Margaret Pugh

### UM/1/39 – Guardians Minute Books - Children's Homes Committee 17 Oct 1912

Page 275 Item No 1028 – John Aubrey

Resolved that the best wishes of this Committee be conveyed to John Aubrey, late an inmate of



the School, on his leaving for Australia.

John Samuel Aubrey leaves UK for Australia on 6<sup>th</sup> November 1912

### Online Australian Records

- (a) Passenger List leaving UK 1890-1960  
John Aubrey (19) b 1893, Farm Lab,  
Departure: 6 Nov 1912 from London  
Ship: Demosthenes No: 129362  
Destination: Brisbane, Queensland  
Ship Line: Aberdeen Master: A Robb
- (b) Victoria Inward Passenger List 1839-1923  
John Aubrey (19) b 1893 British 1912 Dec  
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- (c) Queensland Assisted Immigration 1848-1912  
John S Aubrey (19) b 1893  
Port: Brisbane, Queensland  
Arrival Date: 26 Dec 1912  
Ship: Demosthenes
- (d) Queensland Nominated Immigrants 1908-1922  
John Samuel Aubrey (20) b 1892  
Ref: IMM/319 File: Z7720  
1912 Sponsor: Aubrey, John Samuel  
Item ID: 868945
- (e) Queensland, Brisbane Register of Immigrants 1885-1917  
John S Aubrey  
Demosthenes  
Arrival: 26 Dec 1912  
Queensland
- (f) **Australian Imperial Force Nominal Roll 1914-1919**  
John Samuel Aubrey Service No: 59382 Private  
3<sup>rd</sup> M T Coy Enlisted: 11 Mar 1916
- (g) **Australian Imperial Force Embarkation Roll 1914-1918**  
Aubrey, John Samuel b: 1893 (23)  
Farm Labourer Single Methodist  
Embarkation: 16 Aug 1916 52<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Batt., 4<sup>th</sup> Re-enforcements  
Depart: Brisbane – HMAT A42, 'Boorara' Enlistment Date: 11 Mar 1916  
Address: c/o Mr D Short, Woombye, Queensland  
Next of Kin: Aunt – Mrs Elizabeth Short

### UM/1/45 – Guardians Minute Books - Children's Homes Committee 16 Jan 1919

Item 2335 – John Aubrey

The Superintendent reported that this old boy, who was emigrated to Australia some years ago, and he was also in the Army, had been home on leave. He had been discharged once through wounds, but had re-enlisted. The Committee directed the Superintendent to write him a letter with the Committee's appreciation of his Patriotism.

### Aberdare Leader© Articles

'Cwmbach Soldier Brothers'. On Tuesday night a largely-attended meeting was held at the Primitive Methodist Church, Cwmbach, to bid farewell to Private John S Aubrey, an old scholar, on his departure for the front. A bible was presented, and addresses were given by teachers and officials. Private Aubrey is a member of the Australian Contingent. A brother, who served in Gallipoli, has been missing for twelve months. [4 Nov 1916 Pg 8]

'On Leave'. Private J Aubrey, Australian Regiment, is now on leave at the home of his foster parents, Mr & Mrs Peter Pugh, Well Place. Private Aubrey, who has been wounded, emigrated to Australia a few years ago, and from which country answered the call to defend the Motherland. [15 Sep 1917 Pg 8]

## Pte Kenneth Aubrey, Killed in Mesopotamia

### UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Kenneth Aubrey (3) son of Sarah A [John (6)]  
Admitted: Sept – Dec 1899 from: 8 Victoria Street, Dowlais

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Kenneth Aubrey b: 1896 Merthyr Admitted: 16 Jun 1900 – parents unknown

**1901 Census Online** Thomas Kenneth Aubrey (6) @ St Fagan's

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Aubrey, Kenneth - Admitted: 16 June 1900 CE Discharged: 27 Dec 1906

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare

Aubrey, Kenneth bap: 3 May 1903 – Industrial School – parents unknown

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

No: 1180 – Kenneth Aubrey b: 21/5/96 Dowlais Admitted: 29/8/1904 – Training School

### UM/1/4 - Guardians Minute Books 1907 – 1908, Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes

229 – Read letter from Mrs Reynolds, 40 Lower Union Street, Dowlais, who took her two nephews, John and Kenneth Aubrey, from the School in December last, stating that Kenneth was a very wicked boy, and she desired to send him back to the School, as she could do nothing with him. Resolved: both boys to be brought back to School. [10 Jun 1907 Pg 58]

### UM/63/8 - Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Kenneth b: 1896 Merthyr (Aberdare)  
Admitted: 22 June 1907 - Brought back by order of Sch. Comm.

### UM/1/4 - Guardians Minute Books 1907 – 1908, Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes

289 – The Superintendant reported that John and Kenneth Aubrey had been brought back to the School from the home of Mrs Reynolds, 14 Lower Union Street, Dowlais. [24 Jun 1907 Pg 73]

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Aubrey, Kenneth (12) Merthyr Upper

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 22 Oct 1908

Item No 760 – Kenneth Aubrey

A letter was read from Mr Peter Pugh, 1 Sion Place, Cwmbach, Aberdare, applying for custody of the boy Kenneth Aubrey, and stating that his brother John Samuel Aubrey had been with him since July 1907.

The Committee recommended that the application be granted and that the usual outfit be allowed.

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Kenneth Aubrey - Discharged: 7 Nov 1908 to Mr Pugh

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 14 Jan 1909

Page 310 Item No 1084 - Kenneth Aubrey

The Committee recommend that Contracts be entered into in the case of Kenneth Aubrey, who had recently been sent out from the Training School.

**1911 Census Online** @ Gwynfa, Cwmbach Road, Aberdare

Thomas Kenneth (15) b Merthyr Coal Miner/Hewer  
Adopted son of Peter & Margaret Pugh

### Forces War Records

Thomas Kenneth Aubrey – Aberdare – kia 17 Aug 1915 - Gallipoli  
Private – 3200 – 1<sup>st</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regiment

## WW1 Casualties

b: 1892 Thomas Kenneth Aubrey  
d: 17 Aug 1915 Gallipoli, Balkan

Enlisted – Aberdare - 1<sup>st</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.  
Father – Thomas Aubrey, 30 Lewis St, Porth

### Aberdare Leader © Article

'Cwmbach Soldier Missing'. This is a photo of Private T. Kenneth Aubrey, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Welsh Regiment, who some time ago was reported missing in the Dardanelles. He is the adopted son of Mr & Mrs Peter Pugh, Gwynfa, Cwmbach, and is 19 years of age.

The family have communicated with the Record Office in Shrewsbury and have received two replies. In the latter, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> November the Record Office is unable to throw any light on the matter.

The family have also written to Mr Edgar Jones, MP. His reply, dated 10<sup>th</sup> December, states that the War Office Authorities have just informed him that, up to date, no news has been received of Private Aubrey, and that the Under Secretary of War has caused special enquires to be made at the Base. [25 Dec 1915 Pg 7]



'Cwmbach Man killed in Action'. News has been received from the War Office of the death in action of Private Kenneth Aubrey, adopted son of Mr & Mrs P Pugh, Gwynfa, Cwmbach. Private Aubrey was reported missing on 17<sup>th</sup> Aug 1915. Prior to joining the Army he worked at the P. D. Colliery, Aberaman. He was a member of the Cynon Valley Band, and was also a member of the Primitive Methodist Chapel in Cwmbach. [2 Dec 1916 Pg 7]

## **Pte Griffith Barkeley, Pembrokeshire Yeomanry**

[Various spellings of surname – Barclay, Barkley, Barkly]

**Online**      b: 1892 Merthyr – Griffith Thomas BARCLAY

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Indoor Paupers ending 26 Mar 1897 Union Workhouse  
Griffith BARKLEY (5) Merthyr Lower

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Registers**

Griffith b 1892 Merthyr      Admitted: 4 Sept 1897 – Parents unknown

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

No: 1120 – Griffith Barkley b: 1 May 1891 Merthyr  
Admitted: 4 Nov 1901 – Training School

**1901 Census Online**      Griffith BARKLEY - b: 1 May 1891 @ St Fagan's

**1901 Census Online**      Griffith BARKLEY (8) abt 1893 Merthyr  
Child at School, St Fagan, Aberdare Industrial School

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare**

BARCLAY, Griffith bap: 3 May 1903 – Industrial School – parents unknown

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 10 Feb 1909**

Item No 1232 – Children in Service (Superintendent's Visit)

The Superintendent reported that he had taken the boy David Rowland Williams to Llanybyther and whilst in the neighbourhood took the opportunity of visiting Robert Fleming, Albert John Bramley and Griffith Barkley, placed in service and found them all comfortable and doing well. He further reported that Robert Fleming and Griffith Barkley, who are in service with Messrs Davies Brothers, will finish their terms of apprenticeships in April and May next, when they will be engaged and paid as journeyman.

The Committee directed the Superintendent to ascertain the terms upon which the boys will be engaged as journeyman.

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 24 Feb 1909**

Item No 1296 – Children in Service (Robert Fleming and Griffith Barkley)

A letter was read from Messrs. Davies Brothers stating that Robert Fleming and Griffith Barkley would be paid at the expiration of their apprenticeships 6s a week with board and lodging for one year. After which they would be able to earn 18s to 21s weekly, the rate of wages paid to their own workmen.

**1911 Census Online**      @ Temple Bar, Llanybyther, Lampeter

With Sarah Davies (84), JA Davies (21) Grandson, SJ Davies (22)  
Granddaughter

Griffith Barkly (19) b Aberdare – Servant, Weaver in Woollen Factory

### **UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 30 Nov 1911**

Page 293 Item No 1125 – Reports of Visits to Children in Service

The Superintendent reported that he had visited Griffith Barkley, David J Bramley and David R Williams, children placed out in service by this Board and found them to be comfortable and doing well.

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Driver T/385054 Army Service Corps / Private 4213 Pembroke Yeomanry (TF)

Transferred to RASC – 13 Nov 1919      Discharged: 8 Mar 1919 Para. 392 (28) K. R.

British War & Victory Medals – Record Office, Woolwich Dockyard – 4 Jun 1921

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Griffith Barkley - Driver T/385054 Army Service Corps

Enlistment: 13 Mar 1913      Discharge: 8 Mar 1919

**Online** d: 15 Oct 1942 (51) Llanybyther, Cardiganshire – b: 1891

**Online Probate:** Barkley, Griffith of Gelli House, Llanybyther, Carmarthenshire. Died 31 October 1942 at General Hospital Aberystwyth Cardiganshire. Probate: 17 November to Daniel Hughes craftsman in radio electrical mechanical engineers. Effects: £186 9s

**Pte David (John) Brambley, Pembrokeshire Yeomanry**  
[Different spelling of surname – Bramley]

**Online b:** 17 Aug 1895 Merthyr – Mother: Catherine Williams

**UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

Charles Bramley (56) Labourer [Lunatic] 18 Cross (Celery), Merthyr  
Albert John (13), Percy James (10), Olive May (7)  
Admitted: 15 Feb 1896                      Destitute

**1900 Schools Online**    David Bramley b: 17 Aug 1893    Georgetown School, M T (mother – Kate)

**1901 Census Online**    @ 5 Edward Street, Merthyr  
Catherine Williams (41) b 1860 - married  
Charles Bramley (22) b 1879 Brecon    Albert Bramley (16) 1885 Brecon  
Olive M Bramley (12) b 1889 Manchester  
David J Bramley (6) b 1895 Merthyr

**1905 Schools Online**    David John Bramley b: 24 May 1893 @ St Fagan's, Trecynon Aberdare

**EA/7/7 – Industrial School Boys Register**

No: 1212 – David John b: 24 May 1893 Dowlais  
Admitted: 28 Aug 1905 – Training School                      Withdrawn: 31 Aug 1908

**UM/1/34 - Guardians Minute Books 1907 – 1908, Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes**

644 – Read letter from Mrs D Williams, 3 Pennar Street, Newbridge, Monmouth, applying for the custody of David John Bramley (appeared to be mother of boy and also girl Elizabeth Fellows [illegitimate]) - Mrs Catherine Bramley. Resolved: application refused. [23 Sep 1907 Pg 171]

684 – Mrs Williams, 3 Pennar Street, Newbridge, Monmouth, appeared before the Committee, and applied for the custody of her son, David John Bramley. Resolved: Superintendant be directed to visit home of applicant and report thereon. [7 Oct 1907 Pg 180]

761 – The Superintendant reported that he had visited the home of Mrs Williams, the mother of David John Bramley, at Newbridge, and found that she was living in apartments. Resolved: application be not entertained. [21 Oct 1907]

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908  
Aberdare Training School – Bramley, David J (13) b 1895 Merthyr Upper

**UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – House Management Committee 17 Nov 1908**

Item No 862 – David John Bramley

A letter was read from Mr Rees Thomas of Ceincoed Hill, Llanybyther, Woollen Manufacturer, applying for a boy to learn the weaving trade and the Committee recommend that David John Bramley, aged 14 years, be sent to Mr Thomas for a month on trial upon the usual conditions and that the usual outfit be granted.

The boy appeared before the Committee and expressed his willingness to go.

**UM/63/7 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Registers**

David (John) b: 24 May 1893 Dowlais  
Discharged: 1 Dec 1908 in service to Mr Rees Thomas, Ceincoed Hill, Llanybyther

**UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 14 Jan 1909**

Page 310 Item No 1085 – David John Bramley

A letter from Mr Rees Thomas, Ceincoed Hill, Llanybyther, stating that David John Bramley, who had been with him on a month's trial, was getting on very well, and that he desired to keep him.

The Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to remain with Mr Thomas and that the usual contract be signed.

**1911 Census Online**    @ Ceincoed Hill, Llanybyther  
With Margaret Thomas (50) married, DL James Thomas (17) son - Weaver  
David John Bramley (16) b: 1895 Aberdare – Servant, Weaver

#### **UM/1/38 – Guardians Minute Books - Children's Homes Committee 30 Nov 1911**

Page 293 Item No 1125 – Reports of Visits to Children in Service

The Superintendant reported that he had visited Griffith Barkley, David J Bramley and David R Williams, children placed out in service by this Board and found them to be comfortable and doing well.

He further reported that David J Bramley, who is in service with Mr Rees Thomas, Ceincoed Mills, Llanybyther, had just begun work as a weaver and that it was time this boy's wage was advanced, as he was only receiving the 1/- a week, the same he started with 2 years ago.

The Committee recommend that the Clerk be directed to write to the employer of David J Bramley, stating that the Board are very dissatisfied with the wage the boy receives, and to ask him to increase the same considerably.

#### **UM/1/40 – Guardians Minute Books - Children's Homes Committee 12 June 1913**

Page 85 – David John Bramley

This boy has been in this situation 4½ years. He is getting on very well indeed, and is now a journeyman weaver. He was with the Yeomanry at Llandilo a fortnight ago. He had just returned from camp when I called to see him.

#### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

David John Bramley – Private 5443 1/5<sup>th</sup> Welch / Pte. 241676 1/5<sup>th</sup> Welsh Regt.,

Victory & British War Medals - Infantry Records, Shrewsbury 9 Dec 1921

Territorial Force War Medal – Welch Regiment, Infantry Record Office, Shrewsbury 10 Aug 1922

#### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

David J Bramley – Pte 5443/241676 Welch Regt.,

Victory & British War Medals, T F War & Silver War Badge List J/566/1

#### **Campaign Medal Index Cards**

5443 Private, Welsh Regt. / 241676 Private, Welsh Regt.

241676 – Pembrokeshire Yeomanry Resident: Cardiganshire

#### **Silver War Badge Roll**

241676 Pte Badge No: 366286

Enlist Date: 13 Mar 1913

Discharge: 27 Apr 1918 Unit Discharge: 4<sup>th</sup> Res.

Cause of Discharge: Para 392 xvi Kings Regs: B1

Overseas: Yes Age on Discharge: 23

**Online m:** OND 1934 Lampeter – Agnes D Thomas

**Online d:** Jun 1978 Carmarthen (83) – b: 9 Sept 1894

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#### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Bramley, Olive May b 1889; Percy b 1886; Albert John b 1883

Admitted: 22 Feb 1896 – Father in workhouse

Discharged: 16 Feb 1899 – into care of mother

#### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Indoor Paupers ending 26 March 1897**

Aberdare Training School – Bramley, Albert John (13) Merthyr L, Percy (10), Olive (7) Merthyr L

#### **UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes**

6 Oct 1898 Pg 174

Letter with regard to parents of the children Bramley; stating that the father, Charles Bramley, was taken to Bridgend Asylum on 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 1898 and that his wife had left him about 2 years ago when he and his 3 children were taken to the Workhouse.

#### **UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes**

15 Dec 1898 Pg 182 / 16 Feb 1899 Pg 192

Resolved that the 3 children named Bramley at the School be permitted to go out to their mother who resides at 1 Penfarnddu, Dowlais, subject to a satisfactory report by the Relieving Officer; and that the Relieving Officer be requested to keep the case under supervision.



## **Pte John Cahill      Somerset Light Infantry**

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission and Discharge Register**

John Cahill b: 1892 Merthyr

Admitted: 17 Jan 1901 – parents unknown

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Cahill, John - Admitted: 17 Jan 1901

RC

Discharged: 9 Nov 1905

### **UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

John Cahill (9)

Illegitimate son of Annie Cahill (single)

Admitted: 7 Jan 1901

from: Waterloo Street, Caepentwyds

Destitute

[Catherine (11), Bridget (10), Louisa (3), Annie (1)]

John Cahill (10)

[Christopher (7)]

Admitted: 11 Jan 1901

from: No Abode

mother in jail

**1901 Census Online**    John (10) abt 1891 @ St Fagan's

**1901 Schools Online**    John (10) b 1891 M T – Child in School, Aberdare Industrial School, St Fagan

**1911 Census Online**    @ 109 High Street, Abertridwr, Glamorgan - Pontypridd

with Samuel & Mary Short (relative to Eliz Short, John Aubrey, Australia?)

John Cahill (21) b: 1890 Merthyr – Boarder, Coal Miner / Hewer

### **Pension Records**

Attestation: 18yrs 9mths – 3<sup>rd</sup> Batt. Somerset Light Infantry Special Reserve – 20 Feb 1909 @ Aberdare

Joined Regt. @ Taunton

Special Course of Training

25 Feb 1909 – 19 July 1909

25 Apr 1910 – 23 May 1910

Annual Training – Pte – 24 May 1910 – 6 Jun 1910

L/Cpl – 15 Aug 1911

Annual Training – L/Cpl – 31 July 1911 – 26 Aug 1900

Cpl – 6 May 1912

In arrest awaiting trial – 17 Jun 1912 Trial by Regt.,

Court Martial - 25 Jun 1912 for striking a soldier, found guilty, reduced to the ranks

Pte - 26 Jun 1912

Annual Training – 3 Jun 1912 – 29 Jun 1912

Annual Training – 14 July 1913 – 9 Aug 1913

Annual Training – 1 Jun 1914 – 27 Jun 1914

Mobilised: 8 Aug 1914

In custody awaiting trial – 7 Sep 1914. Tried by D.C.M. 12 Sep 1914 for (1) When on active service striking his senior officer being in the dereliction of his duty, (2) When on active service using threatening language to his superior officer, (3) When on active service disobeying a lawful command given him by his superior officer. Found guilty of all charges and sentenced to (1) 18 months imprisonment H.L. (2) To be discharged with ignominy. 18 months imprisonment commuted to 112 days detention and to be discharged with ignominy

Posted – Pte 19 Jan 1915

Home: 20 Feb 1909 – 18 Jan 1915 = 5yrs 333 days

Exped. Force: 19 Jan 1915 – 30 Feb 1916 = 1yr 33 days

Home: 30 Feb 1916 – 22 Feb 1916 = 2 days

Total service towards engagement in Special Reserve to 22 Feb 1916 = 7yrs 3 days

Sisters – Bridget, Minehead & Louisa, Margaret House, Cardiff

Discharged – Termination of his first period of engagement – 22 Feb 1916

1916    John (25) b 1891 Merthyr - 3/5781, 3<sup>rd</sup> Batt., Somerset Light Infantry

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Pte 3/5781 - 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., Somerset Light Infantry

Victory, British War & '15 Star    France – 19 Jan 1915    Discharge: 22 Feb 1916

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

3/5781 Pte Cahill, John – 1<sup>st</sup> Somerset L I

Victory & British War Medal

Exeter – 10 May 1920

**UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

Johnny Cahill (9mths)	son of Nicholas and Minnie	
Admitted: 3 July 1899	from: Penydarren	Deserted

**UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

John Cahill (1½)	son of Nick & Minnie (26)	
Admitted: 3 July 1900	from: Riverside, Merthyr	Deserted
Admitted: 13 Sep 1900	from: Penydarren	Destitute
Admitted: 30 Oct 1900	John (2)	Destitute

**UM/30/6 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

Johnny Cahill (3)	son of Nicholas & Minnie [Joseph 3mths]	
Admitted: 3 Oct 1901	from: 4 Quarry Row, Merthyr	Destitute
Admitted: 24 Oct 1901		Destitute
Admitted: 6 Dec 1901		Destitute

**Pte Cornelius Callaghan, Welsh Regt.,**

[Possible bother William Callaghan]

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr**

Callaghan, Cornelius – bap: 25 Sep 1892      F: William      M: Mary (Donovan)

**UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance and Discharge Register**

Cornelius b: 1892 Merthyr [William b 1890]      Admitted: 4 Jun 1901 – parents unknown

**UM/30/4 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

William Callaghan (8)      son of William [Cornelius (6)]  
Admitted: 8 Apr 1899      from: 31 Bethesda Street, Merthyr      Deserted

**UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Callaghan, Cornelius – Admitted: 4 Jun 1901      RC      Discharged: 26 Mar 1907

**UM/1/4 – Guardians Minute Books 1907–1908, Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes**

59 – Cornelius Callaghan, who was out on a months trial with Mr J E Hurt, Fishmonger, Canon Street, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to remain with Mr Hurt. Resolved: that the usual outfit be granted and Contract signed. [25 Apr 1907 Pg 17]

594 – The Superintendant reported that the boy Cornelius Callaghan, who was in service with Mr J W Hurt, Fishmonger, Aberdare, left his place on Sunday afternoon, 1<sup>st</sup> September, and had not returned; and that he (the Superintendant) having heard that the boy was in the neighbourhood of Brecon Road, Merthyr, had searched most of the Courts in that neighbourhood, but failed to find any trace of him. [9 Sep 1907 Pg 152]

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance and Discharge Register**

Cornelius b: 1893 – Returned from Service – 30 Sep 1907

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Callaghan, Cornelius (14) Merthyr Central

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance and Discharge Register**

Discharged: 22 Feb 1908 to service Mr Groombridge, 29 Kingsbury Place, Cwmaman

**UM/1/4 – Guardians Minute Books 1907–1908, Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes**

1196 – Application having been made by Mr John Groombridge, 29 Kingsbury Place, Cwmaman, for the boy, Cornelius Callaghan, aged 15 years, to work with him underground. The Committee recommended that the boy be allowed to go for the usual month's trial. [13 Feb 1908]

1142 – Cornelius Callaghan, who had been with Mr John Groombridge, 29 Kingsbury Place, Cwmaman for a month's trial, appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to remain with Mr Groombridge. Recommend that Contract be signed and outfit granted. [9 Apr 1908]

**Online** m: 1916 Sarah Ann Smith MT      possible d: 1963 M T

## Able Seaman Daniel Callaghan, HMS Carnarvon

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Catherine Callaghan (27), wife of William – 18 (Celery), Merthyr  
Mary (7), Richard (4), Daniel (1)  
Admitted: 4 Feb 1896                      Deserted

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

William Callaghan (42), Labourer – 18 (Celery), Merthyr  
Catherine (27), Mary (7), Richard (4), Daniel (1)  
Admitted: 18 Feb 1896                      Destitute

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Indoor Paupers ending 26 Mar 1897 Union Workhouse –  
Callaghan, Catherine (27), Daniel (2) b 1895, Mary (9) & Richard (5) b 1892 Merthyr Lower

### UM/30/4 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Daniel Callaghan (4)                      son of William & Catherine (29) [Richard (7), Mary (4)]  
Admitted: 10 April 1898 from: 13 Back of *Houge* & G                      Deserted

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance and Discharge Register

Daniel b: 1895 Merthyr                      [brother Richard b 1884]  
Admitted: 29 Apr 1901                      Parents in Workhouse

**1901 Census Online**    Daniel (6) b 1895  
Inmate in Merthyr Union Workhouse M: Catherine Callaghan

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Callaghan, Daniel – Admitted: 29 Apr 1901                      RC                      Discharged: 19 Sep 1908

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance and Discharge Register

Daniel - Discharged: 12 Apr 1902 to Infections Hospital                      Returned: 29 Apr 1902

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908  
Aberdare Training School – Callaghan, Daniel (13) b 1895 Merthyr Central

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 10 Sep 1908

Page 160 Item No 564 – Daniel Callaghan

Mr Joseph Condon of 37 Morgan Street, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and applied for a boy to work with him underground.

No testimonials were submitted, but the applicant was well known to several members of the Committee present.

The Committee recommend that Daniel Callaghan, aged 14 years, be sent out to Mr Condon for a month trial, upon the usual conditions, subject to Superintendent visiting the home and finding same satisfactory.

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance and Discharge Register

Daniel - Discharged: 21 Sep 1908 – c/o Mr Condon, 37 Morgan St, Aberdare

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 22 Oct 1908

Item No 758 – Daniel Callaghan

The above named boy, who have been out for a month on trial, appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to remain where he had been placed. The persons to whom they had been sent also appeared and expressed satisfaction with the boy.

Resolved that Contracts be signed and outfits granted.

### UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 23 Sep 1909

Item No 694 – Daniel Callaghan

The Superintendent reported that Daniel Callaghan, who had been out with Mr Joseph Condon, Morgan Street, Aberdare for 12 months, left home on Monday last, and was found at Merthyr on Wednesday and bought back to School.

**UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children’s Homes Committee 23 Sep 1909**

Item No 694 – Daniel Callaghan

Boy to remain at School until Mr Condon is in position to take him back.

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance and Discharge Register**

Daniel - Discharged: 29 Nov 1909 – service – Mr Condon, 37 Morgan St, Aberdare

**1911 Census Online** @ 37 Morgan St, Aberdare  
Joseph Condon  
Daniel (16) – Lodger – Collier Boy

**Forces War Records**

Possible: Daniel O’Callaghan – 219335 – Casualty index – 461/1921

Archive: ADM 171/111

**Royal Navy Seaman 1899 – 1919**

SS4303 b: 9 Oct 1894 Aberdare – Archive Ref: ADM 188/1098/4303

**HMS Carnarvon** – Cruiser, Devonshire Class

July 1913 – Dec 1915 British waters; detached to West Africa (Cape Verde – Canaries, 5<sup>th</sup> Cruiser Sqn.); SE Coast of America (Battle of Falklands); North America & West Indies Station.

1919 – Training Ship. 1921 Scrapped.

**Sgt W M Callaghan, MM, Welsh Regt., Rhondda Batt.,**

[Possible brother Cornelius Callaghan]

[O'Callaghan]

**UM/30/4 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

William Callaghan (8)

son of William [Cornelius (6)]

Admitted: 8 Apr 1899

from: 31 Bethesda Street, Merthyr

Deserted

**UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance and Discharge Register**

William b: 1890 Merthyr (Cornelius b: 1892)

Admitted: 4 Jun 1901 – parents unknown

**UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Callaghan, William - Admitted: 4 Jun 1901

RC

Discharged: 3 Sep 1904

**Aberdare Leader© Article**

Local Men Win Military Medals - Cpl W O'Callaghan, Welsh Regt., [6 Oct 1917, Pg 7]

**Forces War Records**

W O'Callaghan, Cpl 33236

Aberdare

MM – Gazette issue 30312

Date: 25 Sep 1917

Page: 10031

Pg10031 Supplement to the London Gazette, 28 Sept 1917

33236 Cpl. W. O'Callaghan, Welsh Regt. (Aberdare)

10<sup>th</sup> (Service) Batt., (1<sup>st</sup> Rhondda) – Formed 1914 by D Watts Morgan MP at Rhondda Valley, moved to Codford St Mary as part of the 76<sup>th</sup> Brigade of the 25<sup>th</sup> Division.

Dec 1915 mobilised for war and landed at Havre and engaged in various actions on the Western Front including: 1916 – Battle of Albert, 1917 – Battles of Pilkem and Langemark.

6<sup>th</sup> Feb 1918 – Disbanded in France

**Online Probate:** William Callaghan, 35 Winifred Street, Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil died 7 July 1956.

Probate Oxford 20 Sept to James Morgan steelworker. Effects: £648 10s 10d. [Age 67- 1889]



## **Pte Daniel Cashman**

[Did he change his name to Condon (see 1911 & Pension Records)]

### **UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Daniel b: 1889 Merthyr

Admitted: 20 Oct 1895

Discharged: 2 Feb 189? – to the Workhouse

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Daniel b: 1886 Merthyr

Admitted: 31 Aug 1895 – Deserted

Transferred from Class 2 to Class 1 in 1896

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Indoor Paupers ending 26 March 1897**

Aberdare Training School – Cashman, Daniel (10) Merthyr Lower

### **UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes**

6 July 1899 Pg 220

Mrs Cashman, 17 Navigation Street, Mountain Ash, appeared before the Committee and applied to take her son, Daniel Cashman, out of the School. Refused.

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Daniel - Discharged: 31 Dec 1900 in service Mr J Sullivan, Edwards Place, Cwnbach

[Nellie b 1889, Catherine b 1891]

### **1901 Census Online**

@ 2 Edwards Place, Aberdare

with Elizabeth O'Sullivan (50) – Widow

Daniel - Adopted Son (14) b: 1887 Mountain Ash – Coalminer

### **1911 Census Online**

@ 14 Maeglwyn Terrace, Aberdare with John & Johanna Condon –

Daniel (24) b: 1887 Mountain Ash – Boarder, Coal / Hewer

m: 1933 Elizabeth Downes, Merthyr

d: 1944 (56) Merthyr

1915 Daniel (19) Residence: Aberdare

No: 108540, 21<sup>st</sup> Reserve Batt., Royal Horse & Field Artillery

### **WW1 Pension Records**

*Daniel James Condon (22) b: 1892 Ferndale*

*No: 15108 Prince of Wales's Volunteers (South Lancashire) Regt*

## Pte Peter Clements

### UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

Peter Clements      Transferred from Class 2 to Class 1 – 1896

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Indoor Paupers ending 26 March 1897

Aberdare Training School – Clements, Peter (11) b 1886 Aberdare

### UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes

7 Dec 1899 Pg 247 – Peter Clements

Mrs Jones, Tudor Terrace, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and applied for the boy Peter Clements (14) b 1885. It was agreed that there should be a months trial.

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

Peter Clements (14) b 1885      Discharged: 11 Dec 1899 to Mrs Jones, Tudor Terrace, Aberdare

### UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes

4 Jan 1900 Pg 253

Mrs Jones, Tudor Terrace, Aberdare, appeared and expressed satisfaction with Peter Clements, who also attended after his month's trial in his situation and expressed himself satisfied.

**1901 Census Online**    @ 23 Tudor Terrace, Aberdare with Evan & Hannah Jones  
Peter Clements (17) b 1884 Cardiff, Boarder, Single – Coalminer

### Forces War Records

P Clements, Private 7686 – Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry – d: 20 Feb 1917

### Service Medal & Award Rolls

Transferred from      Pte 11065 2<sup>nd</sup> Welsh Regt  
to      Cpl 25659 M G C

Disembarkation: 25 Nov 1914

1914-15 Star: 30 Nov 1919

British War & Victory Medal: 16 Mar 1920 (Cpl crossed out)

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St John the Baptist, Aberdare

Clements, Peter – bap: 9 May 1894      F: Thomas      Collier      M: Margaret

## **Pte William Coffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> Section, Machine Gun Corps**

[Surname spelt COFFEY]

William COFFEY – b: 1895 Merthyr

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Coffee, William - Admitted: 26 May 1900 RC      Discharged: 19 July 1900  
Coffey, William - Admitted: 19 Feb 1902 RC      Discharged: 4 Sep 1909

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

William Coffee b: 1895 Merthyr

Admitted: 26 May 1900 – mother in workhouse      Discharged: 19 July 1900 – Merthyr

### **UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

William Coffey (5)      son of William & Mary [Mary (3), Catherine (1)]

Admitted: 8 July 1900      Deserted

**1901 Census Online**      @ 1 River Side House, MT  
Patrick & Mary Coffey, William (6) b 1895 Dowlais

### **UM/30/6 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

William Coffey (6)      son of Mary & Patrick

Admitted: 15 Nov 1901      from: 12 Brecon Street, Dowlais      Deserted

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

William Coffey b: 1896 Merthyr [Mary b 1897]

Admitted: 19 Feb 1902 – mother in workhouse

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Coffee, William (12) b 1894 Merthyr Upper

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 23 Sep 1909**

Item No 590 – William Coffee

Mr P Dowling, Oak Street, Aberdare, appeared and applied for William Coffee, aged 14 years, to work with him underground.

The boy to be allowed out on a month's trial.

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

William Coffey      Discharged: 4 Sep 1909 – to service – Mr P Dowling, Oak Street, Dowlais

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 7 Oct 1909**

Item No 756 – William Coffee

Completed month's trial and expressed a desire to remain where he had been placed.

**1911 Census Online**      @ 27 Oak Street, Aberdare  
Patrick & Esther Mary Dowling and 1 son  
William (16) b: 1895 Dowlais – Boarder - Colliers Assistant

### **Forces War Records**

W Coffey, Cpl - 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., Machine Gun Corps – 17 July 1919 whilst in the Field

Mutiny – 5 months imprisonment & reduced to the Ranks. Archive Ref: WO/213/30/82

[UM/63/9 – John Coffey b 1902      Discharged: 3 Oct 1914 to St Mary's School

Ellen Coffey b 1910 Merthyr      Father Cornelius Coffey in prison]

[William John Coffey – UM/66/2]???

William J Coffey – d: 1965 East Glamorgan (71)

**Pte George Collins, South Lancs.**

[Prince of Wales's Volunteers (S L) Regt]

[Possible brother Thomas Collins]

**UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admissions Register**

Jessie Langams (22), wife of James, Fitter 28 Wheat Sheaf Lane, Glebeland, Merthyr Vale

William Henry Collins (7), Mabel Winifred Collins (6),

George Frederick Collins (5), Thomas Collins (4)

Admitted: 10 Aug 1894 Deserted

**UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Collins, George Fred - Admitted: 9 Sep 1895

Discharged: 22 Feb 1902

**UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**George Fred [Thomas / William Henry]

Discharged: 31 May 1895 – to workhouse

**UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admissions Register**

Jessie Langasse, wife of James, Fitter 28 Glebeland St, Merthyr Vale

Thomas (5) [William H (8), Mabel W (7), George F (6)]

Admitted: 4 June 1895 Deserted by Husband / Destitute

**UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**George b: 1889 [Thomas b: 1890, Wm Henry b: 1887 & Mabel b: 1888] Merthyr

Admitted: 8 Jun 1895 – mother in workhouse

Discharged: 24 Aug 1895 – to workhouse

**UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admissions Register**

Thomas (5) [Mabel (9), George (8)]

Admitted: 3 Sept 1895 Deserted

**UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**George & Thomas – Admitted: 9 Sep 1895**Glamorgan Family History Society – Indoor Paupers ending 26 March 1897**

Aberdare Training School – Collins, William H (11) b 1886 Merthyr Lower

Mabel (11) b 1886 Merthyr Lower

Thomas (6) b 1890 Merthyr Lower

George F (8) b 1889 Merthyr Lower**1901 Census Online** George (13) b: 1888 Child at School, St Fagan's [Thomas (10)]**UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

George - Discharged: 22 Feb 1902 to service – Mr D Brawn (Brain), Llanthewy Street, Aberaman

**1911 Census Online** @ 19 Graig Terrace, Senghenydd, Cardiff with

James &amp; Margaret Bareham

Thomas (23) b 1898 - Boarder

**Forces War Records**

Private G Collins (25), 12837, South Lancs. – Ailment: Scabies 1917

Cpl G Collins (23), 41272, South Lancs. – Not yet diagnosed (pyrexia) 1917

Cpl George Collins (25), South Lancs. b Swansea d: 18 Sep 1918

1914 George (21) b: 1893 Cockett, GlamorganNo: 14272 9<sup>th</sup> Batt., Prince of Wales' Volunteers (South Lancashire's) Regt.,

1915 Private G Collins (23), 14727, South Lancs. – Not yet diagnosed (pyrexia) - Cpl

**Medal Index Cards**6672, 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt., South Lancashire's – '14 Star21701, 6<sup>th</sup> Batt., South Lancashire's – Victory & British Medals

14444, South Lancashire's – Victory, British &amp; '15 Star

60160, South Lancashire's – Enlisted: 2 Jun 1916 Discharged: 7 Dec 1917 Kings Regs: 392 (xvi)

**Online:** George F Collins – d: Dec 1964 East Glamorgan

## **Cpl Thomas Collins, MM, 13<sup>th</sup> Rifle Brigade**

[Possible brother George Collins]

### **UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admissions Register**

Jessie Langams (22), wife of James, Fitter 28 Wheat Sheaf Lane, Glebeland, Merthyr Vale  
William Henry Collins (7), Mabel Winifred Collins (6),  
George Frederick Collins (5), Thomas Collins (4)  
Admitted: 10 Aug 1894 Deserted

### **UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas b: 1890 Merthyr Admitted: 16 Mar 1895

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas b: 1890 Merthyr [Geo. Fred / Wm Henry / Mabel]  
Discharged: 31 May 1895 – to workhouse

### **UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admissions Register**

Jessie Langasse, wife of James, Fitter 28 Glebeland St, Merthyr Vale  
Thomas (5) [William H (8), Mabel W (7), George F (6)]  
Admitted: 4 June 1895 Deserted by Husband / Destitute

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas b: 1890 [George b: 1889, Wm Henry b: 1887 & Mabel b: 1888 Merthyr]  
Admitted: 8 Jun 1895 mother in workhouse  
Discharged: 24 Aug 1895 to workhouse

### **UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admissions Register**

Thomas (5) [Mabel (9), George (8)]  
Admitted: 3 Sept 1895 Deserted

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Collins, Thomas - Admitted: 9 Sep 1895 ? Discharged: 15 Aug 1903

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas b 1890 [George b 1889] Admitted: 9 Sep 1895

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Indoor Paupers ending 26 March 1897**

Aberdare Training School – Collins, William H (11) Merthyr Lower  
Mabel (11) Merthyr Lower  
George F (8) Merthyr Lower b: 1889  
Thomas (6) Merthyr Lower b: 1891

**1901 Census Online** Thomas (10) b 1891 - Child at School, St Fagan's [George (13)]

**1911 Census Online** @ 1 John Street, Aberdare  
Morgan Thomas (49), Hannah Maria (45) & 4 siblings  
Thomas Collins (22) b 1889 Merthyr – Boarder – Coal miner

### **Forces War Records**

Cpl TH Collins – S/14216 Resided: Aberdare  
MM – Gazette Issue: 30940 Date: 4 Oct 1918 Page: 11826  
Pg 11826 Supplement to the London Gazette, 7 Oct 1918  
S/14216 Cpl. T H Collins, R Bde (Aberdare)

### **Aberdare Leader© Article**

'Aberdare Corporal wins the Military Medal' – News has reached Mr & Mrs Thomas, 16 Elizabeth Street, Aberdare, that Corporal Thomas Collins, of the Rifle Brigade has been awarded the Military Medal in France for Conspicuous Bravery in the Field. Corporal Collins has served with the Forces in France for 2½ years and previously worked as a Collier at the Windber Level. Mr & Mrs Thomas and his many friends feel proud that Corporal Collins has won such a distinction. [3 Aug 1918 Pg 7]

## Pte George Cullen

[Name also spelt CULAN]

**1891 Census Online** @ Dumfries Street, Aberdare  
Mary CULAN (26) b 1865 Aberdare – Widow - Launderess  
John (6) b 1885 Aberdare – Scholar  
Andrew (5) b 1886 Aberdare - Scholar  
George (2) b 1889 Aberdare  
Ann (1) b 1890 Aberdare  
Mary Culan (60) b 1831 Ireland – mother in law

[Mother remarried between 1891 and 1899 to Henry Jones\*]

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

George Cullen (6), John Cullen (10), Andrew Cullen (9) - Children of Ann, Widow  
Admitted: 28 April 1894 from: 5 Penywain, Aberdare

### UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

George b: 1888 Aberdare [John b: 1884 & Andrew b: 1885]  
Admitted: 16 May 1894

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Cullen, George Admitted: 16 May 1894 Discharged: 22 Dec 1899

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Indoor Paupers ending 26 March 1897

Aberdare Training School – Cullen, John (12) Aberdare  
Andrew (11) Aberdare  
George (9) Aberdare

### UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes

21 Dec 1899 Pg 249

Mrs Jones, formerly Mrs Cullen, Corner House Street, Llwydcoed, appeared before the Committee and applied to be allowed to have her 3 boys out of the School, she being now married again. Application granted.

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

George / John / Andrew Cullen

Discharged: 22 Dec 1899. Mother: Mrs Jones, Corner House St, Llwydcoed

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

No: 1069 – George b: 17 Mar 1888 Aberdare  
Admitted: 13/3/1900 – 30 Corner House St,

**1900 Census Online** George b: 17 Mar 1888 @ St Fagan's (National) School, Trecynon, Aberdare. Parent – Henry Jones\*

**1901 Schools Online** Inmate b: 1889 (12) Aberdare (Mount Pleasant, Merthyr)

**1911 Census Online** @ 30 Corner House Street, Llwydcoed, Aberdare

Henry Jones (48)  
Annie Jones (45)  
John Cullen (26), Andrew Cullen (25)  
George Cullen (22) – Coal Miner  
Thomas Jones (23)  
Annie Cullen (21)

No military found

d: 1962 (74) Pontypridd b: 1888



## Pte John Cullen

[Name also spelt CULAN]

**1891 Census Online** @ Dumfries Street, Aberdare  
Mary CULAN (26) b 1865 Aberdare – Widow - Launderess  
    John (6) b 1885 Aberdare – Scholar  
    Andrew (5) b 1886 Aberdare - Scholar  
    George (2) b 1889 Aberdare  
    Ann (1) b 1890 Aberdare  
Mary Culan (60) b 1831 Ireland – mother in law

[Mother remarried between 1891 and 1899 to Henry Jones\*]

### UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John b: 1884 Aberdare, George b: 1888 & Andrew b: 1885

Admitted: 16 May 1894

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Indoor Paupers ending 26 March 1897

Aberdare Training School – Cullen, John (12) Aberdare  
    Andrew (11) Aberdare  
    George (9) Aberdare

### UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes

21 Dec 1899 Pg 249

Mrs Jones, formerly Mrs Cullen, Corner House Street, Llwydcoed, appeared before the Committee and applied to be allowed to have her 3 boys out of the School, she being now married again. Application granted.

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John / George / Andrew Cullen

Discharged: 22 Dec 1899. Mother: Mrs Jones, Corner House St, Llwydcoed

**1901 Census Online** @ 30 Corner House Street, Aberdare  
Henry Jones\* (38) b 1863 Grossmont - Lab Underground  
Annie Jones (36) b 1865 Aberdare  
    John Cullen (16) b 1885 Aberdare – Colliery Hower (step son)  
    Andrew Cullen (15) b 1886 Aberdare – Colliery Hower (step son)  
    Thomas Jones (13) b 1888 Monmouth  
    Annie Cullen (11) b 1890 Aberdare

**1911 Census Online** @ 30 Corner House Street, Llwydcoed, Aberdare  
Henry Jones (48)  
Annie Jones (45)  
    John Cullen (26), Andrew Cullen (25), George Cullen (22)  
    Thomas Jones (23), Annie Cullen (21)

### WW1 Pension Records

1914 - John (29) b: 1885 Aberdare

Army Service Corps Mother: Annie Jones

1915 – John (29) b: Aberdare - T/2/9516 Army Service Corps, 14<sup>th</sup> Div. Training, 103<sup>rd</sup> Company,

## **Pte Clifford Davies, RFA, Killed Battle Aisne**

[Royal Field Artillery]

**1891 Census Online** @ Rossers Court East, Merthyr  
James G Davies (39) b 1852 Newcastle Emlyn - Printer  
Mary A (40) b 1851 Merthyr  
Arthur (17) b 1874 Carmarthen - Fireman  
Rosina (14) b 1877 Carmarthen  
William (12) b 1879 Carmarthen  
Florence (9) b 1882 Carmarthen  
Edgar (5) b 1886 Merthyr  
Gertrude (2) b 1889 Merthyr

**1901 Census Online** @ Merthyr  
Arthur H Davies (27) b 1874 Carmarthen – Loco driver steel works  
Joan Davies (24) and two children  
Edgar Davies (15) b 1885 Merthyr - Brother  
Gertrude Davies (11) b 1889 Merthyr – Sister  
Clifford Davies (8) b 1893 Merthyr – Brother

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Davies, Clifford J - Admitted: 14 Dec 1904      Indep.      Discharged: 26 Sep 1908

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

No: 1216 – Clifford Geoffrey Davies b: 20 May 1893 Merthyr

Admitted: 28 Aug 1905 – Training School

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Davies, Clifford (13) Merthyr Lower

### **UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 10 Sep 1908**

Page 159 Item No 560 – Clifford Davies

Mrs Powell of 49 Trevethick Street, Merthyr, appeared before the Committee, and applied for the custody of her brother Clifford Davies, aged 14 years.

The boy appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to go to his sister.

The Committee recommend that Mrs Powell be allowed to have the boy, subject to the Superintendant finding her home satisfactory and that the usual outfit be granted.

### **UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 14 Jan 1909**

Page 310 Item No 1084 Clifford Davies

The Committee recommend that Contracts be entered into in the case of Clifford Davies, who had recently been sent out from the Training School.

**1911 Census Online** @ 16 Gilfach Cynon, Twynyrodyn, Merthyr  
Edgar Davies (26) – Coal Miner  
Elizabeth Davies (22)  
Clifford G Davies (16) b 1895 Merthyr – Brother - Collier Boy Filler

### **Forces War Records**

C G Davis, Driver – L/32301 – 'D' Battery, Royal Field Artillery

Mentioned in Despatches – Gazette Issue: 31080      Date: 20 Dec 1918

Page: 15029      Location: France

C G Davis, Driver – 158452 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Div, RFA Ailment: Influenza 1918

Clifford Jeffrey Davies b Merthyr  
d: 26 Sept 1914 France & Flanders  
British War Medal, Victory Medal, 1914 Star

Enlistment: Pontypridd  
10854, South Wales Borderers, 1<sup>st</sup> Batt.,

[1<sup>st</sup> Battle of Aisne – 12-15<sup>th</sup> Sept 1914      2<sup>nd</sup> Battle of Aisne – 16<sup>th</sup> April – 9<sup>th</sup> May 1917  
3<sup>rd</sup> Battle of Aisne – 27<sup>th</sup> May – 6 June 1918      Possible burial – Vaully British Cemetery]

## Pte William Davies, MGC (Machine Gun Corps), Killed Battle Somme

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908  
Aberdare Training School – Davies, William (13) b: 1895 Merthyr Central

**1901 Census Online** @ 4 Mos??? Court, Cyfarthfa, Merthyr  
James Davies (36) b Merthyr (Mason), Sarah Davies (35),  
Margaret J (13), Benjamin (11), Meta (9), Catherine (7),  
William Jas (5) b 1895, David John (4), Thomas Alfred (3mths)

1915 – William James Davies (19) b 1896 Merthyr – 44955 - Machine Gun Corps  
40 Garder Houses, Brecon Road, Merthyr – Sarah Davies (Mother)

**Online: Teachers' Registration Council 1914-1948**  
William Davies – M T First position Year: 1901 Registration Year: 1919

### UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book

Pg 248 – William Davies b 11 July 1897 @ 4 James Court, Merthyr Parents: Llewellyn & Ester

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

William b 1897 [David E b 1899, Llewelyn b 1901, Blodwen b 1904, Gwladys]  
Admitted 19 Nov 1908 Mother – Ester, MT Workhouse

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – House Management Committee 17 Nov 1908

Item No 865 – William Davies

Mr Thomas Prosser of Foundry Cottage, Hirwain, House Painter, appeared before the Committee and applied for a boy to learn the trade of a painter.

Satisfactory testimonials having been submitted, the Committee recommend that William Davies, aged 14 years, be allowed to go to Mr Prosser for a month on trial upon the usual terms

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

Discharged: 23 Nov 1908 to Mr Prosser, Foundry Cottage, Hirwain

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – House Management Committee 15 Dec 1908

Item No 983 – William Davies

The Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to remain with Mr Prosser.

### Forces War Records

*Private W Davies – 100504 – 17<sup>th</sup> Sqn, Machine Gun Corps (Cavalry)  
b: Pontypridd, Glamorgan d: 23 Oct 1918 Egypt  
Parents: William & Sarah Davies. Wife: Nora Ellen Davies, Castle St, Framlingham*

### Soldiers Died in the Great War 1914-1919

*William Davies b Pontypridd d: 23 Oct 1918 Egypt  
Machine Gun Corps Cavalry Battalion – 100504 Formally 1205 2/1<sup>st</sup> Glamorgan Yeomanry*

### Forces War Records

*Private William Davies – 54827 – 46<sup>th</sup> Company, Machine Gun Corps  
b: Llandewir Cwn, Brecon Resided: Builth Wells  
d: 22 Apr 1917 – kia France & Flaunders*

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

320 / 476 / 1353 – William Davies

William George – 1374 / 1377, William Morgan – 1394 / 1407, William Rees – 1065,  
William Benjamin – 1084, William Hubert – 269

**Pte Joseph Delhunty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Royal Irish Regt.,**  
[Also spelt DELAHUNTY]

**1901 Census Online** James Delhunty  
Mary Ann Delhunty  
Catherine (1896), Ellen (1898), James (1899), Joseph (1901),  
Agnes (1903), Hannah (Annie 1905), all b Aberdare

**UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children’s History Book**

Pg 216 – Joseph Delhunty b 1900/1904 @ 7 Nixon’s Row, Mountain Ash  
Parents: James & Mary Ann Delhunty

**UM/66/2 – Industrial School Children’s History Book**

Joseph b: 1900 or 1904 Mountain Ash  
Admitted from: 12 Cynon Place, Hirwain  
Father: James Delhunty Mother: Mary Ann Delhunty (Inmate MT Workhouse)  
Nearest Relative: Patrick Ryan (Uncle) Sisters - Hannah & Agnes  
Admission to Workhouse: 29 Aug 1908 Admission to Schools: 10 Sep 1908  
Father of child was sent to prison for 7 days for being drunk, and the wife and children had to quit the house they lived in because they did not pay the rent, and for disturbing the neighbours to.

**UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 19 Sep 1908**

Page 174 Item No 617 – James Delhunty & Family (wife & 8 children)  
Resolved that the man be allowed to go out to look for work, and that he be required to take his family out in a week’s time, and repay the cost of their, and his, maintenance at the workhouse.

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Joseph b 1901 Aberdare [Agnes b 1902, Hannah b 1904]  
Admitted: 10 Sep 1908 – mother in workhouse Discharged 17 Oct 1908 Merthyr  
Readmitted: 15 Jan 1909 Merthyr Discharged: 26 Apr 1909 Merthyr (6 children together)  
Readmitted: 5 May 1910 Merthyr Discharged: 20 Jan 1912 (James & Dennis) to St Mary’s School, Southall, North Hyde, Middlesex

**1911 Census Online** Inmate @ Llewelyn Street, Trecynon, Aberdare – St Fagan’s  
Catherine (15), Ellen (13), James (12), Joseph (10), Agnes (8), Annie (6)

**UM/66/2 – Industrial School Children’s History Book**

Adopted by the Board: 16 Sep 1911  
Discharged: 20 Jan 1912 to St Mary’s School, Southall

[UM/1/41 – CHC 17/9/14 Pg 284 Item 1129 – St Mary’s School, Southall  
James Delhunty was enlisted in the Band of the Royal Irish Regt. On 22 Aug]

**WW1 Medal Rolls**

Delahunty, 11471 Royal Irish Regt., British War & Victory Medals  
Previous Units – 2/ Royal Irish Regt.,

**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

No: 1905 Fred Denman (10) b: 10 Sep 1895 - St Fagan's

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Denman, Fred (12) Gelligaer (b: 1896)

**UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Denman, Fred - Admitted: 22 Mar 1905 CE Discharged: 19 Sep 1908

**UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 10 Sep 1908**

Page 159 Item No 559

Mr Evan John Evans, 8 Bwllfa Road, Cwmdare, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and applied for a boy to work with him underground.

Satisfactory testimonials having been submitted, the Committee recommend that Fred Denman, aged 14 years, be allowed to go to Mr Evans for a month on trial, upon the usual conditions, subject to the Superintendent visiting the applicant's home and finding it satisfactory.

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Fred Denman - Discharged: 19 Sep 1908 – to service - Mr E J Evans, 8 Bwllfa Road, Cwmdare

**UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 22 Oct 1908**

Item No 758 – Fred Denman

The above named boy, who has been out for a month on trial, appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to remain where he had been placed. The persons to whom they had been sent also appeared and expressed satisfaction with the boy.

Resolved that Contracts be signed and outfits granted.

**1911 Census Online @ 46 King St, Cwmdare, Aberdare**

Evan John Evans (33)

Martha Jane Evans (30)

6 children

Fred Denman (16) b 1895 Aberdare - Boarder – Coal Hower

**Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Pte Frederick Denman – 19784, Royal Welsh Fusiliers

British War, Victory & 1914-15 Star Medals

Infantry Records, Shrewsbury – 30 Oct 1920

Demob: 1 Feb 1919 Dated: 29 Nov 1919 France: 22 Jun 1915

## Pte John O Donoghue, American Army

**1881 Census Online** @ 5 Victoria Street, Merthyr  
John Donoghue b 1855 Cork, Ireland  
Catherine Donoghue b 1860 nee Cahill – d: 1894 Merthyr

**1891 Census Online** @ Star Inn, Sand Street, Dowlais, Merthyr  
Catherine O'Donoghue (32) b 1859 Dowlais – Publican (Married)  
Richard (10) b 1881 Dowlais  
Catherine (8) 1883 Dowlais  
Margaret (6) 1885 Dowlais  
Michael (4) b 1887 Dowlais  
Anastasia (2) b 1889 Dowlais  
John (0) b 1891 Dowlais – Oct 1890

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Donoghue, John - Admitted: 13 Apr 1897 RC Discharged: 20 Jan 1902

### UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John b: 1891 Merthyr [Michael b 1887 Merthyr]

Admitted: 13 Apr 1897 – parents not known Infirmary – 12 May 1897

### UM/30/4 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

John Donoghue (5) son of John

Admitted: 23 Dec 1898 [Kate (3)]

### UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John b: 1894 Merthyr Admitted: 14 Jan 1899 – parents unknown

### UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes

18 May 1899 Pg 212 Punishment Book – John Michael Donoghue punished for absconding.

**1901 Census Online** John (12) abt 1889 @ St Fagan's [Michael (14)] also John (8) abt 1893

### [UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Michael Donoghue – Discharged: 11 Nov 1901 to service Halewood's Boot Factory]

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John Donoghue - Discharged: 20 Jan 1902 – into care of brother [Richard (21)]

### Online Passenger Lists Leaving UK 1890-1960

John Donoghue (20) b 1890 Wales

1 May 1910 Left: Queenstown Arrive: New York Ship: Baltic (White Star)

### US WW1 Draft Registration Cards 1917-1918

*John O Donoghue b 1893, 15 June Tralee, Kerry, Ireland*

*Residence: Oakland City No 1, California*

*British Reg. Yr: 1917 NARA: M1509*



## **Pte James Donovan, 2<sup>nd</sup> East Surreys**

[Brother of Timothy Donovan]

**1901 Census Online** @ 2 Cross Street, Upper Erin Road, Dowlais  
Timothy Donovan (39) b 1862 Dowlais – Iron Worker  
Mary A Donovan (34) b 1867 Dowlais  
Michael (13) b 1888 Dowlais – Mason's Lab  
William (11) b 1890 Middlesboro  
Patrick (9) b 1892 Middlesboro  
James (6) b 1895 Dowlais  
Timothy (4) b 1897 Dowlais  
Mary Ellen (0) b 1901 Dowlais  
*Christopher b 1902 Dowlais*

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908  
Aberdare Training School – Donovan, James (12) b 1895/6 Merthyr Upper

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 172 – James Donovan b: Mar 1895 Father: Timothy Donovan

### **UM/66/2 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

James b: March 1895, Crystal Palace Court, Penydauen  
Address from where admitted to workhouse – 23 Sand St., Dowlais  
Father: Timothy Donovan, Black Plough Inn, Dowlais Mother: Dead  
Date Admission to Workhouse: 16 Mar 1908 with Christopher and Mary Ellen  
Date Admission to Schools: 24 Mar 1908  
Admitted with father – the man subsequently discharged without the children.  
Discharged: 4 Sep 1909 – service Mr J Shea, Maelgwyn Terrace, Aberdare

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

James b: 1895 [Mary b: 1900 Christopher b: 1902]  
Admitted: 24 Mar 1908 – Father: Tim Donovan, Black Plough Inn  
Discharged: 4 Sep 1909 – to service – Mr Shea, Maelgwyn Terrace, Aberdare  
Re-Admitted: 1 Apr 1910 – returned from service  
Discharged: 14 May 1910 – to service – Mr Daniel Donovan, Maelgwyn Terrace, Gadlys  
James, John, Christopher  
Discharged: 20 Jan 1912 to St Mary's School, Southall, North Hyde, Middlesex

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 26 Aug 1909**

Item No 587 – James Donovan

Mr J Shea of Maelgwyn Terrace, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and applied for James Donovan, aged 14 years, to work with him underground.

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 7 Oct 1909**

Item No 756 – James Donovan

Completed month's trial and express desire to remain where he had been placed.

### **UM/1/37 – Children's Homes Committee 5 May 1910**

Page 32 Item No 148 – James Donovan

Mr Daniel Donovan, 19 Maelgwyn Terrace, Aberdare appeared before the Committee and applied for the boy James Donovan to work with him underground.

The boy also appeared before the Committee and expressed his willingness to go out to Mr Donovan. The Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to go to Mr Donovan for a month on trial on the usual conditions.

### **UM/1/37 – Children's Homes Committee 16 June 1910**

Page 90 Item No 383 – James Donovan

Mr Daniel Donovan, 19 Maelgwyn Terrace, Aberdare appeared before the Committee with the boy James Donovan, who had been with him on a months trial.

Mr Donovan and the boy having been separately interviewed by the Committee, the Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to remain with Mr Donovan and that the usual Contract be signed, and that the boy be given one suit of clothes.

**UM/1/37 – Children's Homes Committee 30 June 1910**

Page 111 Item No 479 – James Donovan

A letter was read from Mr Daniel Donovan, applying for a complete outfit for the boy James Donovan, whom he had taken from the School to work underground. The Superintendant reported that the boy was furnished with a complete outfit when first going out to service about 9 months ago.

Resolved: that the previous discussion to grant him one suit of clothes only to be adhered to.

**UM/1/37 – Children's Homes Committee 23 Feb 1911**

Page 399 Item No 532 – James Donovan

Read report of Medical Officer, stating that James Donovan is suffering from Strabismus, and recommending that he be seen by an Eye Specialist.

The Committee recommend that the boy be sent to the Cardiff Infirmary.

Online possible d: 1950 JFM (54) Merthyr Tydfil

**British Army Service Records**

1914 James (20) No: 28321 Army Service Corps, 62<sup>nd</sup> Works Company, 15<sup>th</sup> Batt.

## **Pte Jimmy Donovan**

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index** – St Mary R C, Merthyr  
Donovan, James – bap: 5 July 1885      F: John      M: Anne (Maloney)

### **UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

James Donovan

Discharged: 11 Sep 1893 – to service- Mr Hallewood, Shoe Manufacturer

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

James Donovan b 1899 Gelligaer (John b 1903, Cornelius b 1897)

Admitted: 4 Oct 1910 – mother Margaret in prison

Discharged: 16 Mar 1911 Merthyr

### **UM/66/2 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 259 – James Donovan b 1900, King St, Pontlettyn

F: dead

M: Margaret

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1397 – Donovan, James Trevor b 21 April 1905 Admitted: 1912 – Training School

### **Service Records**

James (Jimmy) Donovan

b: 1899 Cardiff – 1916 (17) 40167 22<sup>nd</sup> /21<sup>st</sup> Reserve Batt, Welsh Regt.

b: 1888 Cardiff – 1917 (29) 235092

## **Pte John Donovan**

[possible brother to William & Richard Donovan]

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr**

Donovan, John – <i>bap</i> :	6 Jun 1896	F: John	M: Mary (Holland)
	7 Nov 1896	F: Jeremiah	M: Mary (Shea)

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

John b: 1896 Merthyr [William b 1891 & Richard b 1892]

Admitted: 28 Aug 1901 – parents unknown

John b: 1896 Re-Admitted: 9 Apr 1902 - mother in workhouse

### **Service Record**

1914 b: 1896 Glamorgan (18) 16250, Welsh Regt., 10<sup>th</sup> (Rhondda) Batt

### **Forces War Records**

Private J Donovan (21) – 32602 16<sup>th</sup> (Service) Batt (Cardiff City) Welsh Regiment –  
(B Company, 38<sup>th</sup> Div) Service: 1yr 3mths - Gun shot wound, right femur fracture  
9 Jul 1916

Private J Donovan – 10543, Royal Welsh Fusiliers - b Milford - kia

Private J Donovan – 29013, Royal Welsh Fusiliers – b Rhondda – died of wounds 1916

b: 1896 Rhondda, Glamorganshire – 1915 (19) 29013, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, 19<sup>th</sup> Batt

Private J Donovan – 8115, Welsh Regiment – b Bedwellty – kia 31/10/1914

Sgt J Donovan – 16610, Welsh Regiment – Cardiff – died 22 Dec 1916

### **British Army WW1 Service Records 1914-1920**

1916 - John Donovan b 1897 (19) – 155931, Royal Regt. Artillery - Sig.

Mother- Mary Donovan

Address: 5 Bethune Street, Merthyr – Blast Furnace Lab

Enlisted: 3 Aug 1916

### **UM/63/7 – Industrial School Admittance& Discharge Register**

John b: 1903 Gelligaer

Admitted: 4 Oct 1910 – mother: Margaret Donovan

Discharged: 16 Mar 1911 & Cornelius Donovan

## **Pte Richard Donovan, Royal Engineers, Killed in Action**

{possible brother to John & William Donovan}

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Donovan, Richard - Admitted: 7 Aug 1901      CE      Discharged: 12 Aug 1901  
28 Aug 1901      8 Apr 1902

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Richard b: 1892 Merthyr

Admitted: 7 Aug 1901 – Mother in Workhouse      Discharged: 12 Aug 1901 – to Merthyr

Richard b: 1893 Merthyr      Admitted: 28 Aug 1901 – parents unknown

Richard b: 1893      Re-Admitted: 9 Apr 1902 - mother in workhouse

Discharged: 8 Apr 1902

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Richard – Discharged: 4 May 1907 to Mr Daniel Driscoll, 36 Trevor Street,  
Aberdare

### **UM/1/34 - Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes**

60 – Mr Daniel Driscoll, 36 Trevor Street, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee, and applied for the boy Richard Donovan, aged 13 years, to work with him underground. Mr Driscoll produced satisfactory testimonials. Resolved: the boy to go on a month's trial. [25 Apr 1907 Pg 17]

166 – Mr Daniel Driscoll appeared before the Committee and said he was satisfied with the boy; the boy also expressed desire to remain with Mr Driscoll. Resolved: usual Contract to sign and outfit granted. [27 May 1907 Pg 42]

### **Soldier Died in the Great War 1914-1919**

Richard Donovan b: Dowlais  
d: 11 Jun 1917 France & Flanders  
Enlistment Place: Aberdare  
Rank: Pioneer Killed in Action  
Western European Theatre  
151<sup>st</sup> Field Coy., RE

### **Forces War Records**

Pioneer Richard Donovan – 62793 – 151<sup>st</sup> Field Company, Royal Engineers  
b: Dowlais, Glam      Resided: Aberdeen  
kia 11 June 1917      France & Flanders

### **Medal Rolls**

Richard Donovan – Royal Engineers – 62793  
Victory, British & 1915 Star – 4/12/15

## **Pte Timothy Donovan**

[Brother of James Donovan]

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr**

Donovan, Timothy – bap: 11 Sep 1899 F: John

M: Honora (Brien)

William – bap: 17 Mar 1894

Patrick – bap: 4 Mar 1902

### **1901 Census Online @ 2 Cross Street, Upper Erin Road, Dowlais**

Timothy Donovan (39) b 1862 Dowlais – Iron Worker

Mary A Donovan (34) b 1867 Dowlais

Michael (13) b 1888 Dowlais – Mason's Lab

William (11) b 1890 Middlesboro

Patrick (9) b 1892 Middlesboro

James (6) b 1895 Dowlais

Timothy (4) b 1897 Dowlais

Mary Ellen (0) b 1901 Dowlais

*Christopher b 1902 Dowlais*

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 173 - Timothy Donovan b: April 1897/8 White Horse Gully, South ?, Dowlais

Father: Timothy Donovan

Mother: Dead

Date of Admission to Workhouse: 7 Apr 1908

Date of Admission to Schools: 25 Apr 1908

Last Address: Black Plough Inn, Dowlais

Father in workhouse at time of admission. He was allowed to leave without the children.

Discharged: 16 Oct 1909 St Mary's School, N Hyde

### **UM/63/7 & 8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Registers**

- as above

### **Forces War Records**

Private Timothy Donovan – need regt.,

## Sgt William Donovan, Welsh Regiment, Killed Battle Somme

[possible brother of Richard & John Donovan]

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Donovan, William - Admitted: 7 Aug 1901      CE      Discharged: 12 Aug 1901  
28 Aug 1901      29 Sep 1905

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

William b: 1891 Merthyr [Richard b 1892]

Admitted: 7 Aug 1901 - Mother in workhouse

Discharged: 12 Aug 1901 – to Merthyr [Richard b 1893 / John b 1896]

Re-Admitted: 28 Aug 1901 – parents unknown

Discharged: not known

Re-Admitted: 9 Apr 1902 - mother in workhouse [Richard b 1893 / John b 1896]

### Forces War Records

Lance Sgt. William Donovan – 569 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt., Welsh Regiment

b: Pontllytyn, Monmouth      Resided: Dowlais

Died of Wounds: 12 July 1916      France & Flanders

### Soldiers Died in the Great War 1914-1919

William Donovan b Pontllytyn, Monmouthshire

d: 12 Jul 1916 Died of Wounds - France & Flanders

Enlistment: Cardiff      Rank: L Sergeant

Welsh Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt      Reg No: 569

### Medal Rolls Index Cards 1914-1920

L Sergeant 569 - Victory, British & 14 Star

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Online 1891      b 1886 Dowlais  
b 1890 Aberdare (MT) – Daniel (25), Jennett (19), W Thomas (7 mths) [b Jul 1890 MT]

Online 1901      @ 4 Bethesda St, MT – Michael (37), Bridget (36), William (10) [b Jan 1891],  
Bridget (6)

Online 1911      b Apr 1894 MT – John & Norah  
b Jan 1895 MT – William & Catherine (see below bap)

Online also      b: Jan 1891 / Oct 1892 William John / Jul 1889 / Jul 1886 / Oct 1886 all MT

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr

Donovan, William – bap: 17 Mar 1894	F: John	M: Honora (Brien)
William – bap: 9 May 1897	F: John	M: Bridget (Harrington)
William – bap: 10 Jan 1895	F: William	M: Catherine (Crushin)



## **Pte Dennis Driscoll**

[Brother of Patrick Driscoll]

**1901 Census Online** @ 219 Gellefulog, Penydarren  
Catherine Driscoll (29), Eugene (10),  
Denis (3) b 1898 Dowlais, Catherine (6mths)

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Driscoll, Dennis - Admitted: 23 Apr 1903 RC      Discharged: 8 Jun 1903  
11 Jun 1903      1 Sep 1903

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Dennis Driscoll b 1899 Merthyr Admitted: 23 Apr 1903 – mother in workhouse

### **UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 17 Sep 1914**

Page 284 Item 1129 – St Mary's School, Southall

Denis Driscoll, admitted to Southall on 26 March last, Committee informed that there is great difficulty placing him out.

### **UM/1/42 - Children's Homes Committee 14 Oct 1915**

Page 403 Item 1292 – Denis Driscoll

From Sister Daly, St Mary's School, North Hyde, Southall, stating that although this boy was not feeble minded, he was undoubtedly wanting in intellect, but after considerable difficulty a situation had been found for him with a local shoemaker, Mr Stevens, High Street, Southall, for a month on trial.

### **UM/1/42 - Children's Homes Committee 28 Oct 1915**

Page 431 Item 1392 – Denis Driscoll

Read letter from the Superintendent of St Mary's School, North Hyde, Southall, stating that it had been found that this boy was not suitable for the situation which it was reported at the last meeting had been found for him, and that after some difficulty he had managed to pass for enlistment in the Middlesex Regiment and was discharged from the school on the 21<sup>st</sup> instant.

## **Forces War Records**

Private Dennis Driscoll (20) – 14227 4<sup>th</sup> Batt., South Wales Borderers  
b: 1895 Pontlottyn      Resided: Cwmbran  
kia 7 Aug 1915 Gallipoli (Batt. landed in Gallipoli on 15 July 1915)  
Parents: Mary Driscoll, 5 West View, Cwmbran, Newport & late Denis Driscoll

## **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Pte Dennis Driscoll – 14227, 4<sup>th</sup> Batt., SWB – British War & Victory Medals

## **Army Medal Rolls Index Cards**

14227 – British War, Victory and '15 Star – died of wounds 7 Aug 1915  
Theatre of War: Balkans – 19 July 1915

## **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Pte Dennis Driscoll – 61975 Welsh Regt. / 49641 14<sup>th</sup> Batt. Welsh Regt. / 445137 Labour  
Corps, 285<sup>th</sup> A E Coy / Att. CCS – Shrewsbury 19 Aug 1921  
British War & Victory Medals

## **Army Medal Rolls Index Cards**

61975 – British War & Victory Medals – Re-enlisted in the RFA - 3948572

**Online** - Dennis Driscoll b 1875 Merthyr [JFM 1875 MT 11a 45 / 11a 496]

## **1881 Census Online**

@ 6 Lloyd Street, Merthyr Tydfil  
Patrick Driscoll (32) b 1849 Cork, Ireland  
Mary (25) b 1856 Cork  
Dennis (6) b 1875 Dowlais  
Mary (0) b 1881 Dowlais

**1891 Census Online** @ Gas Row, Merthyr Tydfil  
Patrick (40) b Ireland – Lab Steel Worker (Widower?)  
Dennis (17) b 1874 Dowlais – Lab Steel  
Mary (11) b 1880 Dowlais  
John (9) b 1882 Dowlais  
Patrick (7) b 1884 Dowlais  
Paty (4) b 1887 Dowlais

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Indoor Paupers ending 26 Mar 1897 Union Workhouse  
Driscoll, Cornelius (36), Dennis (46), Patrick (38) Merthyr Lower

**Online** – possible d: 1938 (63) Merthyr Tydfil

**Online Probate:** Dennis Driscoll of 61 West Street, Bargoed, died 30 Aug 1956 @ Graig Hospital, Pontypridd. Llandaff: 4 Sept to John Driscoll, miner Effects: £516 8s.

## **Pte Patrick Driscoll**

[Brother of Dennis Driscoll]

**1891 Census Online** @ Gas Row, Merthyr Tydfil  
Patrick (40) b Ireland – Lab Steel Worker  
Dennis (17) b 1874 Dowlais – Lab Steel  
Mary (11) b 1880 Dowlais John (9) b 1882 Dowlais  
Patrick (7) b 1884 Dowlais Paty (4) b 1887 Dowlais

### **UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Patrick b: 1887 Rhigos & John b: 1885 Rhigos

Admitted: 2 Aug 1893 Merthyr Union

Discharged: 31 Mar 1894 – to the Workhouse

### **UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

Patrick Driscoll (53) Labourer 30 Plough Court, Dowlais

John (12), Patrick (10)

Admitted: 19 April 1895 Father has bad leg

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Patrick b: 1885 Merthyr & John b: 1883 Merthyr

Admitted: 27 Apr 1895

Discharged: 24 Aug 1895 – to Workhouse

**1901 Census Online** @ 98 Brecon St, Dowlais  
Patrick (48) b 1853 Ireland – Widower – Steel Worker  
Mary (21) b 1880 Dowlais  
John (18) b 1883 Dowlais – Steel Worker  
Patrick (16) b 1885 Dowlais – Steel Worker

**1911 Census Online** Patrick Driscoll (24) b 1887 Swansea – 1<sup>st</sup> Batt. Welsh Regt. - Egypt

### **Service Records**

1914 - Patrick (30) b 1884 Cardiff - 14029 Welsh Regt., 12<sup>th</sup> Batt

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Pte Patrick Driscoll, 8533, 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt. Welsh Regt. British War & Victory Medals

[22 Oct 1920 Shrewsbury]

L/Cpl Patrick Driscoll, 241751, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Batt. Welsh Regt. (5556 5<sup>th</sup> Welsh), British War & Victory Medals [9 Dec 1921 Infantry Records, Shrewsbury]

### **Army Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Pte 8533 – Victory, British War and '14 Star – Entry into Theatre: 13 Aug 1914

241751 / 5556 – Victory & British War Medals – may have returned medals?

**Probate Online:** d 11 May 1925, widow: Margaret, Effects: £4,300 8s 9d

## Pte John Edwards, South Wales Borderers

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – Dowlais

Edwards, John – bap: 27 July 1880

Parents: Edward (Collier) Elizabeth

**1901 Census Online** @ 23 Ynysfach, MT  
George Edwards (39) Coalminer Hewer  
Ellen (36)  
Charlotte (8), John (5) b 1896, Maggie (10 mths)

**1909 Schools Online** – John b: 22 Oct 1896 St Fagan's. Parent – Jane Edwards

**1911 Census Online** @ 23 Ynysfach, MT  
George (49) Pulley man Colliery  
Ellen (46)  
Charlotte (18)  
John (15) b 1896 – Collier Hewer  
Maggie Jane (10)

**1920 Online** - J Edwards – National Union of Teachers, Aberdare – War Record

### Forces War Records

Private John Edwards – 20517 - 10<sup>th</sup> Batt., South Wales Borderers  
(28) b: 1888 Abertillery, Mon Resided: Cwm Mon  
kia 19 Apr 1916 France & Flaunders  
Parents: John & Rhoda Edwards, 5 Railway View, Cwm

Private John Howell Edwards – 28944 – 4<sup>th</sup> Batt., SWB  
b: Clydach Vale, Glam Resided: Pontrhydygroes, Cardigan  
Died 7 Mar 1919 Mesopotamia

### Service Records

1914 John Martin Edwards (20) b 1894 Glamorgan  
4/14948, South Wales Borderers Residence: Abertysswg, Monmouthshire

**Pte William Edwards, DCLI**

[Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry]

**UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

William b: 1890 Merthyr      Admitted: 27 July 1896

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr**

Edwards, William – bap: 3 Mar 1901      F: Rees      M: Margaret (Shean)

**1901 Schools Online**    William b 11 Nov 1889 – St Fagan's**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1117 – William b: 11 Nov 1889 Merthyr Vale      Admitted: 4 Nov 1901 – Training School

**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1209 - William Thomas Edwards b: 25 Jun 1899      Admitted: 28 Aug 1905 – Training School

**Forces War Records**L/Cpl. W Edwards (29) b 1885    No: 7710, C Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., Duke of Cornwall's LI  
Service: 11yrs    Ailment: Not yet diagnosed (Fever) – 11 Dec 1914**British Army Service Records**William Edwards (20) b 1894 Dowlais, Collier  
1914 – 16483 6<sup>th</sup> Depot, SWB1891 Census    @ Upper Pwllwhead, Merthyr  
Thomas Edwards (45) Merthyr  
Thomas F (19) Merthyr  
Richard (15) Merthyr  
Sarah (11) Merthyr  
Rees (7) MerthyrMary Edwards (47) Merthyr  
Eliza (18) Merthyr  
Elizabeth A (13) Merthyr  
Margareta (9) Merthyr  
William (4) b 1887 Merthyr1901 Census    @ 14 Pwllwyrd, Penydarren  
Thomas (54)  
Sarah (19)  
Rees (17)Mary (57)  
Margarita (18)  
William (14) b 1887 Merthyr

## Pte Phillip Evans

**1891 Census Online** @ 100 Victory St, Dowlais  
Elias (40) & Jane Evans (41), Henry Thomas (20), Sarah Jane (18),  
Mary E (11), Rachel Ann (9), Ellenor (7), Catherine (4),  
Phillip (2) b 1890 Dowlais, Evan William (1mth)

**1901 Census Online** @ 100 Victory St, Dowlais  
Elias (50) & Jane (50), Mary E (20), Rachel A (18), Catherine (12),  
Phillip (11) b 1890 Dowlais, Evan (10)

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

Phillip b: 1890 Gelligaer      Admitted: 13 Nov 1901 – parents unknown

### Forces War Records

L/Cpl P Evans, 18947, 'A' Company, 16<sup>th</sup> Batt., Royal Welsh Fusiliers  
(26) b: 1890 Dowlais      **kia 2 Dec 1916 France & Flaunders**  
Parents: Elias & Jane Evans, 100 Victoria Street, Dowlais  
[Dec 1915 - Mobilised for war and landed in France and engaged in various actions  
on the Western Front including: 1916 The Battle of Albert]

### Soldier Died in the Great War

L/Cpl Phillip Evans, 18947 16<sup>th</sup> Batt., Royal Welsh (Welch) Fusiliers  
b Dowlais, Glamorgan      **d 2 Dec 1916**  
**kia – Western European Theatre**

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**1891 Census Online** @ Harriet Street, Aberdare  
Thomas (48) b 1843 Aberdare - Fireman  
Joan (44) b 1847 Aberdare  
David (25), Thomas (23), Hermit (18), Catherine (16), Gomer (12)  
Jane (10), Edward (7)  
Philip (5) b 1886      [incorrect entry in FMP says 1876]

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

773 – Philip Evans b: 14 Dec 1886

Admitted: 3 Jan 1893 – F: Thomas (Collier) – 50 Harriet Street, Aberdare

**1893 Schools Online** Philip b 14 Dec 1886 @ St Fagan's. F: Thomas Evans

**1901 Census Online** @ 50 Harriet Street, Aberdare  
Joan (54) b 1847 Aberdare – Widow  
Jane (20) b 1881 Aberdare  
Edward (17) b 1884 Aberdare – Coal Hower  
Philip (15) b 1886 Aberdare – Coal Hower

**1911 Census Online** @ 11 Ebenezer Street, Trecynon, Aberdare  
Philip (25) b 1886 Aberdare – Coal Hower  
Rachel Ann (24) b 1887 Aberdare  
Gwladys (3) b 1908 Aberdare

**Service Record:** 1915 – Philip (29) b 1886 Aberdare – 21827 South Wales Borderers, 11<sup>th</sup> (Service) Batt.

## **Pte Tudor Evans, 3<sup>rd</sup> Welsh Regt.**

### **UM/66/2 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 18 - Tudor Evans b: 10 Aug 1903 @ 20 Yew Street, Merthyr

Admitted: 14/01/09 from Rescue Home School: 06/03/1909

F: Ivor M: Rhoda

Deserted by father, mother in workhouse

Discharged: 24 Dec 1909 Merthyr

Re-Admitted: 3 May 1910 Merthyr

Discharged: 10 May 1910 Merthyr

Re-admitted: 18 July 1910

Discharged: 3 Aug 1910

Re-admitted: 1 Feb 1911

Discharged: 3 Dec 1917 – Band, Welsh Regt., Depot Cardiff

[Adopted by Board: 24 Dec 1910 (Min 263)]

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Tudor Evans

Discharged: 24 Dec 1909 Merthyr

Re-Admitted: 2 May 1910

Discharged: 10 May 1910

Re-Admitted: 1 Feb 1911

Mother - Rhoda Evans in workhouse

**1911 Census Online** Tudor Evans (7) b 1904 Merthyr – Inmate, School Aberdare

### **UM/1/44 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Guardians Minutes – 5 July 1917**

Mr Turner for Tudor Evans – not granted.

### **UM/63/9 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Tudor Evans b 1903

Discharged: 3 Dec 1917 – to Band, Welsh Regt, Cardiff

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Cpl Tudor Evans, 34797, 19<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt

British War & Victory Medals

### **Medal Rolls Index Card**

Pte = '15 Star

34797

France = 5 Dec 1915

Cpl = British War & Victory

Class z = 7 Mar 1919

Tudor Owen Evans

b: Oct 1902 MT

m: JAS 1928 MT – Crandon

d: 13 Jun 1959 Oxfordshire / Sept 1968 Barking



**Sgt Frank Farrissey, MM, 51<sup>st</sup> Liverpool Regt.,**  
[Other spellings of name – Ferrisey & Ferris]

**1901 Census Online** @ 28 Aberfon Crescent, Merthyr Vale  
Edward Ferrisey (46) b Merthyr – Stoker in Colliery  
Margaret Ferrisey (42) b Cardiff  
Edward (18) b 1883 Cardiff  
Francis (12) b 1889 Cardiff  
Mary (4) b 1897 Cardiff  
Catherine (1) b 1900 Cardiff

**UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Frank b: 1889 Merthyr  
Admitted: 13 Nov 1901 – mother in workhouse

**UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 23 Nov 1916**

Page 837 – Frank Farrissey

The Superintendent reported that one of the old boys, now Sgt Frank Farrissey, had been awarded the Military Medal. We instructed the Superintendent to write congratulating him upon his success.

**Aberdare Leader© Article**

The Superintendant of the Aberdare & District County Homes reported that one of the old boys, now Sgt Frank Farrissey, had been awarded the MM. The Superintendant was instructed to congratulate him upon the achievement. [9 Dec 1916 Pg 7]

**Forces War Records**

Cpl F Ferrisey – 9113 – Welsh Regiment  
MM – Gazette Issue: 29749 Date: 12 Sep 1916 Page: 9000  
Pg 9000, Supplement to the London Gazette, 14 Sept 1916  
9113 Cpl. F Ferrisey, Welsh Regt.

**Service Medal & Award Rolls**

A/Sgt Frank Ferrisey – 114639 The Kings (Liverpool) Regt.  
Also – 9113 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt. Welsh Regt.  
British War & Victory Medals – Fulwood Barracks, Chester - 7 Jan 1921

Pte 9113 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt. Welsh Regt. 1914 Star Disembarkation: 13 Aug '14  
Trans: 14056 60<sup>th</sup> T R Batt. – 24 Apr 1917  
Trans: 51<sup>st</sup> Batt, Liverpool Regt. – 30 Dec 1915

**Army Medal Rolls Index Cards**

FERRISEY, Frank also FERRIS, Frank – British War, Victory & '14 Star Medals  
9113 2<sup>nd</sup> Welsh Regt. 14055 60 Training Batt.  
74319 Grad Batt., Liverpool Regt. 114635 Liverpool Regt.

**Online:** 1937 Western Mail Directory of Cardiff – 46 Wilson Road, Ely – Labourer

## Pte Robert J Fleming, Royal Army Ordinance Corps

Robert John Fleming - b: Jan 1892 Bedwelty, Mon

d: Mar 1941 Surrey

Robert Fleming & Mary Jane Lister m: OND 1887 Bedwelty, Mon

1891 Census Robert (23), Mary (24), Edith (1) - Tredegar

1901 Census @ 31 Gooseberry Hill, Aberdare

Robert Fleming (33) b 1869 Scotland – Mechanical Draughtsman

Mary J nee Lister (34) b 1867 Tredegar, Monmouth

Edith M (11) b 1890 Tredegar

Robert J (9) b 1892 Tredegar

Agnes M (7) b 1894 Aberdare

Olive (4) b 1897 Aberdare

Clifford T (2) b 1899 Aberdare

**Schools 1904 Online** – Robert b 23 Jan 1894 St Fagan's – no "J"

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

1177 – Robert b: 23 Jan 1894 Tredegar

Admitted: 29 Aug 1904 – Training School

### UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 10 Feb 1909

Item No 1232 – Children in Service (Superintendent's Visit)

The Superintendent reported that he had taken the boy David Rowland Williams to Llanybyther and whilst in the neighbourhood took the opportunity of visiting Robert Fleming, Albert John Bramley and Griffith Barkley, placed in service and found them all comfortable and doing well. He further reported that Robert Fleming and Griffith Barkley, who are in service with Messrs Davies Brothers, will finish their terms of apprenticeships in April and May next, when they will be engaged and paid as journeyman.

The Committee directed the Superintendent to ascertain the terms upon which the boys will be engaged as journeyman.

### UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 24 Feb 1909

Item No 1296 – Children in Service (Robert Fleming and Griffith Barkley)

A letter was read from Messrs. Davies Brothers stating that Robert Fleming and Griffith Barkley would be paid at the expiration of their apprenticeships 6s a week with board and lodging for one year. After which they would be able to earn 18s to 21s weekly, the rate of wages paid to their own workmen.

### Service Medal & Award Rolls

S/Sgt Robert J Fleming 01906, RAOC

British War & Victory Medals [Woolwich 16 Jan 1920]

### Medal Rolls Index Cards

Sgt & S/Sgt 01916, Royal Army Ordinance Corps

Victory, British War & '15 Star – France 1 Oct 1915

Cl. 2 0 17 Jun 1919

## Pte Owen Gale

**Online:** Owen J Gale    b: Jul 1893 Merthyr  
                                  m: Sept 1920 Merthyr - Osment  
                                  d: Mar 1929 Merthyr (35)

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index** – St Mary R C, Merthyr  
Gale, Owen Joseph – bap: 18 Sep 1893                      F: Thomas                      M: Margaret (Daly)

**1901 Census Online**        @ Miles Court, 4 Picton Street, M T  
                                  Thomas Gale (53) b 1848 Merthyr – Underground Lab  
                                  Margaret Gale (39) b 1862 Merthyr  
                                  Amelia (18) b 1883 Merthyr - Mineral Water Bottler  
                                  William (16) b 1885 Merthyr - Railway Loco Cleaner  
                                  Charles J (10) b 1891 Merthyr  
                                  Owen J (8) b 1893 Merthyr  
                                  Elizabeth A (4) b 1897 Merthyr  
                                  Selina J (1) b 1900 Merthyr

**UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**  
Owen b: 1893 Merthyr (Charles b: 1890 & Elizabeth b: 1896)  
Admitted: 4 Oct 1901 – mother in workhouse

**1911 Census Online**        @ 17 Upper Taff Street, M T  
                                  with Mary Ann Barry (59)  
                                  Owen (17) b 1893 Merthyr – Lodger - Cattle Drover

### Medal Rolls Index Cards

Owen J Gale, 23139 16<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regiment  
Victory, British & '15 Star                      France: 4 Dec 1915  
Discharged: 18 Apr 1917                      Silver War Badge: J/526

### Service Medals & Award Rolls

Pte Owen Gale, 23139 16<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.  
Victory & British War Medals  
Infantry Records, Shrewsbury – 31 Jan 1921

## Pte Patrick Harrington, Army Service Corps

**Online** - Patrick b OND 1885 MT (11a 518) / JFM 1894 MT / JAS 1911 MT  
d Jun 1922 Bedwellty

**1901 Census Online** @ Toll Gate House, Aberdare  
with William & Jane Jay  
Patrick (17) b: 1884 Coltralee, Ireland – Boarder - Coalminer

**UK Outward Passenger Lists** 1890-1960 – 28 Sept 1904 Liverpool – New York

**1911 Census Online** @ 9 & 10 Commercial St, Aberdare  
with Richard & Florence Mathias  
Patrick (22) b: 1889 place unknown – Grocers Haulier (birthplace unknown)

**Online** – m Hannah M Bowen [AMJ 1931 MT 11a 1418]

**1911 Census Online** 5 Vaughan St, Dowlais  
George & Mary Sheahan  
Patrick (23) b 1888 Ireland – Boarder – Surface Top Lab

### Forces War Records

Royal Army Service Corps – Private – 2 Nov 1916 to 5 Nov 1919  
Worked for Port of London Authority with the job of Fourth Class Clerk

### Medal Rolls Index Cards

S4/128397 Army Service Corps  
Victory, British, '15 Star Medals – Theatre of War: Baelaus 18 Oct 1915  
[Possible Service No: 28424]

S4/125247 ASC / 191950 Labour Corps – Victory & British War Medals  
T2/9934 ASC (Driver) / 266652 RFA (Gunner) – Victory, British & '15 Star – 13/10/15

## **Pte David Harvey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Welsh Regt.,**

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr**

Harvey, David John – bap: 11 Sep 1899      F: Robert      M: Anne (McLoughlin)

### **UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

David Harvey (5)      son of Robert & Annie [Bessy (7), Thomas (1½)]  
Admitted: 28 May 1900 from: 1 Cross Sunny Bank, Merthyr      Mother sent to prison for 6 weeks

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Harvey, David - Admitted: 24 July 1900 RC      Discharged: 21 Feb 1910

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

David Harvey b: 1895 Merthyr      Admitted: 24 July 1900 – parents unknown

**1901 Census Online**      David (5) b: 1896 Merthyr  
Child in School, Aberdare – St Fagan's

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

David - Discharged: 14 Apr 1902 to Infections Hospital      Returned: 5 May 1902

### **UM/1/34 - Guardians Minute Books 1907–1908, Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes**

453 – Mrs E Collins, 12 Tramroadside, Georgetown, Merthyr, having applied for permission to take her grandson, David Harvey, out of the School for a week's holiday, the Committee recommend that her application be granted. [29 July 1907 Pg 117]

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Harvey, David (13) b: 1895

### **UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 30 July 1908**

Page 123 Item No 428 – David Harvey

A letter was read from Mrs E Collins, 12 Tramroadside, Georgetown, Merthyr, applying for her grandson, David Harvey, should be allowed to go out to her for a week.

The Committee recommend that permission be granted accordingly.

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 27 July 1909**

Item 504 – David Harvey

A letter was read from Mrs Collins, grandmother, applying that the boy be allowed to spend a few days holiday with her. Request acceded to.

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 16 Dec 1909**

Item 1056 – David Harvey

The Committee recommend that the application of Mrs Collins to be allowed to have her grandson, David Harvey, for a few days holiday during the Christmas holidays granted.

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 10 Feb 1910**

Item 1238 – David Harvey

Mrs Collins, Tramroadside, Georgetown, Merthyr, appeared before the Committee and applied for custody of her grandson, David Harvey.

The Committee agreed, subject to a satisfactory home visit.

Home visit carried out on 24 March 1910 – satisfactory.

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

David Harvey - Discharged: 21 Feb 1910 – to Grandmother – Mrs Collins, Tramroad Side, Georgetown

**1911 Census Online**      @ 12 Tramroadside, MT  
Elizabeth Collins – Grandmother  
James Harvey (20) b 1891 Merthyr – Collier/Hewer  
Kate Harvey (15) b 1893 Dowlais  
David Harvey (15) b 1896 Merthyr – Collier/Hewer  
John (0) b 1911 Merthyr

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 27 June 1911**

Page 132 Item No 528 – David Harvey

The Superintendant reported that David Harvey had complained that he had been ill-treated by his grandmother with whom he had been living since he left the School.

The boy having appeared before the Committee, the Committee recommend that the Superintendant find another place for the boy.

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 7 Sep 1911**

Page 176 Item No 700 – David Harvey

The Superintendant reported that the Grandmother of David Harvey had made an application to him for the money which was due to the boy from his employers when he left her.

The Committee recommend that the grandmother be allowed to have the money.

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 7 Sep 1911**

Page 176 Item No 701 – David Harvey

Mr W Brough of Trevor Street, Aberdare applied to have the boy David Harvey to work with him.

The Committee recommend that David Harvey be allowed to go out to Mr Brough for a month on trial upon the usual conditions.

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 19 Oct 1911**

Page 238 Item No 913 – David Harvey

The Superintendant reported that Mr Brough, Trevor Street, Aberdare had called with him and stated that he was satisfied with the boy David Harvey.

The Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to remain with Mr Brough and that the usual contract be signed and outfit granted.

**Army Service Records 1914-1920**

David John Harvey b: 1895 Merthyr

Enlisted: 6 Jan 1913 (18)

Welsh Regiment – No: 10060

Next of Kin: Mr J Harvey (brother) [James – see 1911 census above]

**Pte Robert Harvey**

[Poss. Brother of William Harvey]

**UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

John Harvey (27) Labourer, Merthyr

Elizabeth Jane (23), Robert (8), William (1)

Admitted:

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**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Indoor Paupers ending 26 Mar 1897 Union Workhouse – Harvey, Robert (5) b 1892, William (3) b 1894 Merthyr Lower

**UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Harvey, Robert - Admitted: 4 Sep 1897 CE Discharged: 17 Sep 1906

**UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Robert b: 1892 Merthyr

Admitted: 4 Sep 1897 – Parents unknown

Discharged: 29 Jan 1899 – Infections Hospital

**1901 Census Online** Robert Harvey (8) b: 1893 Aberdare - Child in School  
[Eliz (7), Willie (7)]

**1901 Schools Online** Robert Harvey b: 1 Oct 1892 St Fagan's (National) School, Trecynon

**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1119 – Robert b: 1 Oct 1892 Merthyr

Admitted: 4 Nov 1901 – Training School

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index** – St Fagan, Aberdare

Harvey, Robert bap: 3 May 1903 – Industrial School – parents unknown

**1911 Census Online** @ Maesydyffryn, New Road, Seven Sisters  
with William & Matilda Jones  
Boarder (18) b: 1893 Onllwyn, Glamorgan – Cola Miner / Hewer

**UM/1/45 – Children's Homes Committee 26 Sept 1918**

Item 1978 – Boys serving with the Colours

The Superintendent reported that Robert Harvey, who paid a visit to the Homes a month ago, has been very badly wounded and is now invalided out of the Army.

**Service Medal & Award Rolls / Medal Roll Index Cards**

Royal Field Artillery 5123 & Labour Corps 490904 / Royal Field Artillery – 143622

Royal Artillery – 40961 / Royal Engineers – 119391

Pte 220, 1<sup>st</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt – British War & Victory Medal / '14 Star – 29/10/14

Discharged 7/4/16

Pte 422525 Labour Corps & Gnr 10045 RGA – British War & Victory Medal

Mil 1915 – b 1890 (25) – 1874, 2/3<sup>rd</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt, Residence: Swansea

**Online:** Robert John Harvey b 1892 Merthyr d: Mar 1955 Neath (63)

Possible m: JFM 1914 Neath – Margaret A Morgan



## **Pte William Harvey**

[Poss. Brother Robert Harvey]

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Indoor Paupers ending 26 Mar 1897 Union Workhouse –  
Harvey, Robert (5) b 1892, William (3) b 1894 Merthyr Lower

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Harvey, William - Admitted: 11 Jul 1898 CE      Discharged: 24 July 1909

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

William b: 1893 Merthyr      Admitted: 11 July 1898 – mother in workhouse

**1901 Census Online**    William (7) b: 1894 @ St Fagan's

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1130 – William Harvey b: 6 Aug 1893 Merthyr

Admitted: 1/9/02 – Training School

Withdrawn: 26/7/1907

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index** – St Fagan, Aberdare

Harvey, William bap: 3 May 1903 – Industrial School – parents unknown

### **Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Harvey, William (14) b 1894

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 15 July 1909**

Item No 436 – William Harvey

Mr Philip Davies, 5 Well Place, Cwmbach, appeared before the Committee and applied for William Harvey, aged 16 years, to work with him underground. Satisfactory testimonials were submitted and the boy appeared before the Committee and expressed his willingness to go out with Mr Davies.

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

William Harvey - Discharged: 24 July 1909 to service – Mr Philip Davies, Well Place, Cwmbach

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 26 Aug 1909**

Item No 586 – William Harvey

Mr Philip Davies, 5 Well Place, Cwmbach, Aberdare appeared before the Committee with William Harvey, who had been on a month's trial. It was recommended that the boy be allowed to remain.

**1911 Census Online**    @ 5 Well Place, Cwmbach, Aberdare

Philip (60) & Margret (54) Davies - Collier

William Harvey (18) b 1893 Merthyr – Boarder – Collier below ground

### **Army Pension Records**

1915    William (21) b 1894 Aberdare – Collier

75182, 9<sup>th</sup> Res. Battery, Royal Field Artillery

Joined at Preston on 8 Jan 1915

Discharged: 13 Mar 1915 - not likely to become an effective soldier – medically unfit

Para 292 (ciii) K R – is *asthmatic*

Education: Industrial School under Local Government Board

Next of kin: Robert Harvey, 41 Roman Road, Bewam, nr Neath (Brother)

## **Pte Edward Hickman, Welsh Regt., Died in Service**

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Edward b: 1890 Merthyr      Admitted: 4 July 1896

**1901 Census Online**    Child in School - Edward (12) b 1 May 1889  
St Fagan's (National) School, Trecynon, Aberdare

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1116 – Edward Hickman b: 1 May 1889 Merthyr  
Admitted: 4/11/01 – Training School

**1911 Census Online**    @ 63 Llwyngwcw, Swansea Road, M.T.  
with Richard & Lily Morgan  
Edward (20) b 1891 Merthyr – Boarder - Collier

**Online** – possible m: 1916 Elizabeth A Thomas – Merthyr

### **Soldiers Died in the Great War**

Edward Hickman 31777, 3<sup>rd</sup> Batt., Royal Dublin Fusiliers  
d: 5 Nov 1918 at Home      Enlisted: Aberdare

### **Service Medals & Award Rolls**

Pte 74981 Welsh Regt. & Infantry Base Depot, 13<sup>th</sup> Welsh Regt.

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Pte 74981 Welsh Regt – Victory & British War Medals

## **Pte Richard Hill, 2/5 Welsh Regt.**

[Brother of Thomas Hill]

**1901 Census Online** @ Matthewstown, Llanwarne (Pontypridd?)  
Richard Hill (32)  
Gwen Hill (27)  
Thomas (6) b 1895 Merthyr, Richard (4) b 1897  
Mary (2) b 1899, James (6mths) b 1900/1

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Hill, Richard - Admitted: 10Jun 1902

Bap Discharged: 23 Jul 1902

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Richard b: 1897 Merthyr

Admitted: 10 Jun 1902 – Father in Militia Swansea/mother in workhouse

Discharged: 23 July 1902 to Merthyr

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 72 – Richard Hill b 5 Apr 1897 @ 4 Ball Court Lane, Merthyr Tydfil

Father: Richard Hill

Mother: Gwenllian Hill

[brother: James b 1 Jan 1901 – Davies Bros, Llanybyther, sister: Mary b 29 July 1899]

Admission to Workhouse: 13 Feb 1907

Admitted to Schools: 19 Feb 1907

Discharged: 22 Apr 1907 – Merthyr

Re-Admitted: 27 Apr 1907 – Merthyr

Discharged: 17 Jun 1907 - M

Re-Admitted: 20 Jun 1907 – M

Discharged: 5 May 1908 – M

Re-Admitted: 8 May 1908 – M

Adopted by Board: 27 May 1911

Discharged: 16 Sep 1911 – in service with Mr John Evans, Gospel Hall Terrace, Aberdare

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Richard b: 1897 Merthyr (Thomas b 1895 /James b 1899 /Mary b 1900)

Admitted: 27 Apr 1907 – Mother, Gwen Hill, in workhouse

Discharged: 17 Jun 1907

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boy Register**

1246 – Richard b: Apr 1897 Merthyr

Admitted: 26 Aug 1907 – Training School

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Hill, Richard (11) b 1897, Thomas (12), Mary (8), James (7) & Edward (4)

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Richard Hill (Thomas, James, Mary & Edward)

Re-Admitted: 8 May 1908

Discharged 5 May 1908 Merthyr

Re-Admitted: 29 July 1908

### **UM/1/37 – Children's Homes Committee 25 Aug 1910**

Page 177 Item No 732 – Richard Hill

The superintendant reported that Richard Hill, an inmate of the School, gained 2 Gold medals and a silver cup in the Swimming Competition held at the Aberdare Park on 3 August last.

**1911 Census Online** Richard (Alfred) Hill (13) b: 1898 Merthyr  
Inmate - School Aberdare [James Hill (10), Edward Hill (6)]

### **UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 7 Sep 1911**

Page 176 Item No 705 – Richard Hill

Mr John Evans of Gospel Hall Terrace, Aberdare applied for the boy Richard Hill to work with him. The Committee recommend that Richard Hill be allowed to go out to Mr Evans for a month on trial upon the usual conditions.

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 19 Oct 1911**

Page 238 Item No 908 – Richard Hill

Mr John Evans, 25 Gospel Hall Terrace, Aberdare appeared before the Committee with the boy Richard Hill who had been out with him for a month on trial.

Mr Evans and the boy having been interviewed separately. The Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to remain with Mr Evans and that the usual contract be signed and outfit granted.

**Forces War Records**

not Private R Hill - 1308 – Welsh Regt., as born in Hereford

**Service Medals & Award Rolls**

Pte Richard Edward Hill – 59629 Welsh Regiment – British War Medal

**Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Richard Hill 2723 Welsh Regt. / 56546 MGC

Richard E Hill 59629 Welsh Regt. British War Medal

**Online** – possible d: Dec 1963 Swansea

## **Pte Thomas Hill, Royal Field Artillery**

[Brother of Richard Hill]

**1901 Census Online** @ Matthewstown, Llanwarne (Pontypridd?)  
Richard Hill (32) & Gwen Hill (27)  
Thomas (6) b 1895 Merthyr, Richard (4) b 1897  
Mary (2) b 1899, James (6mths) b 1900/1

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Hill, Thomas - Admitted: 19 Feb 1902                      Bap                      Discharged: 23 July 1902

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas b: 1896 Merthyr  
Admitted: 19 Feb 1902 – mother in workhouse  
Discharged: 23 July 1902 to Merthyr

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 71 – Thomas Hill b 19 Aug **1895** – 74 Pendwrenfach, Merthyr  
Father: Richard Hill – Deserted children  
Mother: Gwenllim Hill – Workhouse  
Last Address: 2 Chestnut Avenue, *Hedogan* Junction (Collins)  
Admission to Workhouse: 13 Feb 1907    Admission to Schools: 19 Feb 1907  
Discharged: 22 Apr 1907 – Merthyr                      Readmitted: 27 Apr 1907 – Merthyr  
Adopted by Board: 27 May 1911

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas b: 1895 Merthyr (Richard b 1897 /James b 1899 /Mary b 1900)  
Admitted: 27 Apr 1907 – Mother, Gwen Hill, in workhouse  
Discharged: 17 Jun 1907

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1247 – Thomas Hill b: 19 Aug 1895 Merthyr  
Admitted: 26 Aug 1907 – Training School

**Schools 1907 Online** – b 19 Aug 1895 @ St Fagan's (National) School, Aberdare

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Hill, Thomas (12), Richard (11), Mary (8), James (7)  
& Edward (4)

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas Hill (Richard, James, Mary & Edward)  
Re-Admitted: 8 May 1908                      Discharged 5 May 1908 Merthyr  
Re-Admitted: 29 July 1908

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare**

Hill, Thomas bap: 28 Mar 1909 – Aberdare Training School – parents unknown

### **UM/1/37 – Children's Homes Committee 21 Apr 1910**

Page 17 Item No 80 – Thomas Hill

The Superintendent reported that Thomas Hill absconded from the School on the previous Tuesday, and was brought back the same evening.  
The Committee recommend that Thomas Hill be allowed to go out to Mr John Evans, 25 Gospel Hall Terrace, Aberdare, to work with him underground, for a month on trial upon the usual conditions.

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas Hill - Discharged: 2 May 1910  
to service – Mr John Evans, 25 Gospel Hill Terrace, Gadlys

**1911 Census Online** @ 25 Gospel Terrace, Aberdare  
with John & Margaret Evans  
Thomas (15) b 1895 – Boarder - Collier/Hewer

War Records – not found

**Possible Probate:** Hill, Thomas of 16 Tyllwyd Street, Penydarren, Merthyr Tydfil died 13 December 1946 at Tydfil Lodge, Merthyr Tydfil. Administration Llandaff 31 January 1947 to Peter Hill, boilermaker. Effects: £100 13s 10d

## Pte Richard Hogan

No Richard in Wales in 1901/1911 Census

FMP Edmund Hogan b 1894 MT  
Edward Hogan b 1895 MT (1901 & 1911) d 1928 MT  
Michael Hogan b 1893 MT [1901 Dowlais with family also Aberdare Child at School]  
[1911 Dowlais with family]  
Margaret Elizabeth Hogan b 1892 MT  
Mary Hogan b 1894 MT

### Forces War Records

Private 2973, 3<sup>rd</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt. [b 1892 Pembroke d: 12 Apr 1916 (24)]

### Medal Rolls

Pte 2973, Welsh Regt., Victory, British & '15 Star

Kings Royal Rifle Corps – Pte R.15950 – MM

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Lancashire Regt., - 7589 - Casualty

Prince of Wales's Volunteers (South Lancashire) Regt., - 1446

Victory, British & 14 Star – Clasp & Rose (mentioned in dispatches)

Discharged – 5 June 1915

Irish Guards – 9681

Royal Artillery – 16905

Royal Field Artillery – 760749

Royal Garrison Artillery – 102650



## Pte Thomas Hogan

**1891 Census Online** @ 18 Horeb Street, Troedy Rhiw, Penydamen, Merthyr  
Jeremiah Hogan (23) b 1868 – Servant  
Mary Ann Hogan nee Kelcher (22) b 1861  
Thomas (0) b 1891

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Mary Ann Hogan (26) 1 Taff Street, *Caepantywill*  
Thomas (4), Michael (2) Deserted  
Admitted: 19 June 1895  
Admitted: 26 Jun 1895

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Mary Ann Hogan (25), wife of Jeremiah, Labourer – Victoria St, Dowlais  
Thomas (4), Michael (2) Deserted  
Admitted: 31 July 1895  
Admitted: 21 Aug 1895 203 Com. House, Penydarren

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Thomas Hogan (4), Michael (2) Children of Mary Ann, Charwoman, Dowlais  
Admitted: 30 Sep 1895 Destitute  
Thomas Hogan (4) Mother in jail  
Admitted: 20 Jan 1896 Deserted  
Thomas Hogan (4), Michael (2) Children of May Ann  
Admitted: 21 Feb 1896 Deserted  
Mary Ann Hogan (24), wife of Jeremiah – New Court, Dowlais  
Thomas (4), Michael (2)  
Admitted: 1 May 1896 Deserted

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Indoor Paupers ending 26 Mar 1897

Union Workhouse – Hogan, Mary (26) Merthyr b: 1861 d: 1921 Merthyr  
Thomas (6) Merthyr b: 1891  
Michael (3) Merthyr b: 1894 d: 1964 Merthyr

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Hogan, Thomas - Admitted: 7 Aug 1897 RC Discharged: 11 Sep 1905

**1901 Census Online** Thomas (9) abt 1892 Merthyr @ St Fagan's [Michael (7)]  
Mary – Inmate of workhouse

### Aberdare Leader© Article

Mary Ann Hogan had succeeded in obtaining drink. Fined 40s and costs or three months.  
[13 Jun 1903]

**1911 Census Online** @ 5 Protheroe Street, Ferndale  
Richard Pike (34)  
Elizabeth (34)  
4 Children  
Thomas Hogan (20) Nephew – Miner Hewer

### Medal Rolls

Thomas – Pte/L/Cpl – SWB – 48688  
- Royal Welsh Fusiliers – 66441 (1<sup>st</sup> Garrison) – British War Medal  
- Prince of Wales's Own (West Yorkshire) Regt  
- 55<sup>th</sup> FD Company, RE – 1590  
- 8<sup>th</sup> Hussars (Kings Royal Irish) – 9037  
- Royal Field Artillery, Labour Corps

## **Pte Frederick Charles Jones, 89 F Coy., Royal Engineers**

1901 Census @ 5 Fire Bach, Aberdare with John & Emiah  
Fred Charles (15) abt **1885/6**

1911 Census @ 12 Tirffomder Rd, Cwmbach with John & Emiah  
(26) abt **1885** Aberdare

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Registers**

Frederick Jones b: 1890 Aberdare

Admitted: 18 Apr 1900 - Parents unknown (Blodwen b: 1892 & Beatrice b 1894)

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare**

Jones, Frederick Chas - bap: 2 Dec 1906 – Llewelyn Street

F: Evan Emlyn (Carpenter) M: Mary Anne

### **Forces War Records**

Royal Marine Engineers – Private – RME/416/S

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Sapper 145668 Royal Engineers – V & BW Medal

Sapper 152676 Royal Engineers - V & BW Medal / Silver War Badge

Sapper 142661 Royal Engineers – V & BW Medal / Silver War Badge

Sapper WR/509599 R E, Pte 4051 6<sup>th</sup> RW Kent Regt.; Pte 401016 17<sup>th</sup> Essex  
Regt; 258757 Inland Water Transport, RE

Pioneer WR/255830 R E, Railways

Driver 53225 Royal Engineers – France 22 May 1915 – Discharged: 3 June 1916  
Silver War Badge

A/Sgt WR/305445 R E, Inland Water Transport

*WW1 – b Aberdare No: 1914 Welsh Guards, 1<sup>st</sup> Batt.,  
d: 16/9/1916 died of wounds France/Flanders*

**Pte Ivor Jones, Welsh Regt.**

**1901 Census Online** @ 3 Chapel Court, MT  
David Jones (60) Horse Driver  
Catherine (42)  
Johnny (10) b 1891  
Catherine (5) b 1896

Ivor (7) b **1894**  
Annie (5mths) b 1900

**UM/64/1 – Creed Register** [possible brother John Jones]  
 Jones, Ivor - Admitted: 13 Oct 1903 CE Discharged: 15 Oct 1903  
 19 Oct 1903 22 Feb 1909

**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**  
1217 – Jones, Ivor b: 16 Aug 1892 Merthyr      Admitted: 28 Aug 1905 – Training School

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908  
Aberdare Training School – Jones, Ivor (13) b 1895 Merthyr Central

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare  
Jones, Ivor bap: 23 Mar 1909 – Training School  
F: David            M: Catherine

**UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 11 Feb 1909**

A letter was read from Mr A E Cuthbert, Sherburn House, Llantarnam, applying for a lad as a helping the garden and greenhouse.

The Committee recommend, subject to the references being satisfactory, that Ivor Jones, aged 15 years, be allowed to go to Mr Cuthbert for a month on trial upon the usual conditions, the boy having appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to go.

**UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 11 Feb 1909**

Page 363 Item No 1267 – Ivor Jones

The Superintendant reported that Ivor Jones was taken to Llantarnam on the previous Monday, and that he had that day received a letter from Mr Cuthbert requesting him to send for the boy as he had been crying the whole time he had been there, and refused to settle down. The Superintendant stated that he had sent the Gardener to Llanternam to bring him back to School.

**UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 11 Mar 1909**

Page 375 Item No 1309 – Ivor Jones

Ivor Jones, the boy who had been brought back from Mr Cuthbert, Llantarnem, appeared before the Committee.

The committee recommend that the boy be sent out to Mr William Williams, 90 Cardiff Road, Aberaman, who had recently applied for a boy to work with him underground, upon the usual conditions, and subject to the Superintendant visiting the home and finding same satisfactory.

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Ivor Jones - Discharged: 15 Mar 1909 to service – Mr William Williams, 90 Cardiff Road, Aberaman

**UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 22 Apr 1909**

Item No 40 – Ivor Jones

Mr William Williams, 90 Cardiff Road, Aberaman, with whom Ivor Jones had been on a months trial, appeared before the Committee and stated he was satisfied with the boy and desired to keep him.

The boy also appeared before the Committee, and expressed a desire to remain with Mr Williams.

The Committee recommended that the usual Contract be entered into and outfit granted.

1911 Census Online @ 95 Mt Pleasant, Merthyr Vale (all b: Merthyr)  
Thomas Jeffres (63)  
Catherine (42) – (m=3yrs)  
John Jones (20) – Step son  
Ivor Jones (18) – Step son – b 1895 Coal Miner Hewer  
Catherine Jones (15) – Step daughter

### Army Service Records

Ivor Jones b: 1893 Lives: 5 Rossers Court, Glebeland, Merthyr Tydfil  
Enlistment Age: 23 Occupation: Miner Mons Regt - 243042  
m: 23 Dec 1916 Pontypridd \_ \_ \_ \_ Mary/ May or Mayo  
Children: Ivor b: 14 Nov 1918 MT

1916 – next of kin = Catherine Jeffrys, 3 Cross Sunny Bank St.,  
8 Feb 1917 – 5628 – 2/1 Monmouthshire Regt., attached to SWB, Brecon  
30 Jun 1917 – 243042 - 404 Coy, Labour Corps  
18 Feb 1918 = Catherine Jeffrys, 63 Alma St, Newport Mon re: effects received  
from France – Labour Corps  
Aug 1927 - Demobbed

## **Pte John Jones, South Wales Borderers**

[Brother of Thomas Jones]

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1178 – John Jones b: 11 July 1891 Merthyr

Admitted: 4 Nov 1901 – Training School

### **UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Richard b: 1885 & John b: 1887 Rhigos

Admitted: 9 Apr 1892

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

John - Discharged: 31 May 1897 to Infections Hospital – Measles. Returned 16 Jun 1897

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

John Jones - Discharged: 12 Mar 1901 – taken out by father

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Jones, John - Admitted: 17 Oct 1901

Bap Discharged: 28 Oct 1901

Jones, John – Admitted: 13 Oct 1903

CE Discharged: 15 Oct 1903

[poss. brother Ivor Jones] 19 Oct 1903

18 May 1907

Jones, John – Admitted: 16 Feb 1904

Bap Discharged: 19 Apr 1904

[poss. Brother William J Jones] 26 Apr 1904

5 July 1904

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Jones, John (9) b: **1899** Merthyr Central

### **UM/66/1 Industrial School Children's History Book Pg 92 (UM/66/2 Pg 69)**

b 13 Oct **1899** – 59 Field St, Cefn Coed

Father: Owen Jones Mother: Jane Ann Jones

Admission to Workhouse: 27 Jun 1907

Admission to Schools: 2 Jul 1907

Father in prison (2 months) neglecting children. Mother dead.

Discharged: 10 Jun 1910 – taken out by father

[Sisters – Elizabeth b 1902, Ann b 1897, Rachel b 1896]

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

John Jones b **1899** (Thomas Jones b 1903)

Admitted: 2 July 1907 from 22 Field Street, Cefn Coed

### **UM/4/1 - Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes 1907 – 1908**

113 – Application was made by Mr Ezer Davies, 3 Mount Hill Street, Aberaman, Aberdare, for the boy John Jones (15) to work with him underground and satisfactory testimonials having been produced. Resolved: that the boy goes on a month's trial. [13 May 1907 Pg 33]

287 – Mr Ezer Davies, 3 Mount Hill Street, Aberaman, appeared before the Committee and expressed satisfaction with the boy, John Jones, who had been with hi for a month on trail. The boy expressed a desire to remain with Mr Davies. Resolved: the usual outfit be granted and Contract signed. [24 Jun 1907 Pg 73]

#### **Guardians Minutes 30 November 1907**

918 – Mrs Rogers, 84 Treveithick Street, Merthyr, appeared before the Board with her brother, John Jones, who was sent from the Aberdare Training School in May 1907, to work underground with Mr Ezer Davies, 3 Mount Hill Street, Aberaman. Mrs Rogers stated that the boy had left Mr Davies, and was anxious to remain with her, and she applied to the Board to keep him. The boy stated that his reason for leaving Mr Davies was that he was obliged to work in water and that he did not wish to return. Resolved: the boy be allowed to remain with sister, Mrs Rogers. [Pg 238]

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

John Jones

Discharged: 2 Nov 1909 Merthyr

### **Forces War Records**

Private John Jones – 13182 SWB – no Private John Jones – 39167 SWB – no

Private John Jones – 13067 SWB – kia - no

Private John Jones – 15270 SWB – kia b 1883 Nelson – no

Private John Jones – 7974 SWB – died b Abergavenny – no  
Private John Jones – 7093 SWB – no Pte John Arthur Jones – 5395 SWB - no  
Pte John Richard Jones – 33620 SWB – no  
Pte John Thomas Jones – 12234 SWB

Medal Rolls – South Wales Borderers

Prince of Wales Volunteers (South Lancashire) Regt – 14090 / 60710  
Montgomery Yeomanry – 3302 / 39167  
Glamorgan Yeomanry – 2728 / 39622

1914 - John Rees Jones (19) abt 1895 Dowlais – Brecknockshire Batt.,  
1914 – John Thomas Jones (19) abt 1895 Merthyr – Rhondda Batt.,

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*EA/7/7 - 395 - John O Jones*

*EA/7/7 – 972 - John H Jones b: 4 Mar 1887 Aberdare*

*Admitted: 6 Sep 1897 from 27 Margaret St. - Father: Evan (Haulier)*

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*UM/66/2 – John Jones b 1902 Dowlais Parents: William & Kate Jones*

*Admitted: 6 Aug 1909 Schools: 10 Aug 1909*

*Discharged: 2 Nov 1909 to Merthyr*

*Admitted: 15 Feb 1911 Discharged: 2 Mar 1911 to Merthyr*

*Admitted: 10 Mar 1911 Discharged: 14 Mar 1911*

*Admitted: 10 Feb 1912 Discharged: 11 Oct 1913*

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*Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr*

*Jones, John – bap: 10 Sep 1893*

*F: William John M: Catherine (Sullivan)*

*UM/66/1 Pg 242 – John Henry Jones b 30 July 1896 @ Eureka Place, Ebbw Vale Parents:  
Henry & (Pam)*

*UM/63/6 - John Jones b 1897 Merthyr*

*Admitted: 16 Oct 1901 Mother in workhouse*

## Pte Richard Jones

### UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Richard b:1885 & John b:1887 Rhigos      Admitted: 9 Apr 1892  
Richard b: 1885 Rhigos      Admitted: 17 Apr 1894

### UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Richard - Discharged: 1 Jun 1897 to Infections Hospital – Measles. Returned 16 Jun 1897

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Richard b 1885      Re-Admitted: 26 Oct 1899 – returned from Infections Hospital.  
Richard Jones      Discharged: 12 Mar 1901 – taken out by father

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index - Dowlais

Jones, Richard – bap: 24 Apr 1899 Dowlais  
Parents: John (Collier) Mary Anne  
Jones, Richard John – bap: 7 Aug 1887 Llewelyn Street, Dowlais  
Parents: Richard (Blocklayer) Annie Eliz

**1901 Census Online**    @ 10 Garden Row, Dowlais  
William Jones (45) Coal Miner Hower & Mary (45)  
Sarah (21), Daniel (19), Richard (16) b: 1885 Dowlais,  
Gwilym (14), Mary G (12), Blodwin (7), David E (9),  
James C (4), Ester (2)

**1911 Census Online**    @ 2 Brynwen St., Penywern, Dowlais  
Richard Jones (26) b 1885 Dowlais – Ass. Timberman below ground  
Mary Elizabeth (23)      m=3yrs  
Margaret Mary (1) b Dowlais  
Owen Hughes (54) Widower – wife's father

OR

**1911 Census Online**    @ 2 Brynomen Terrace, Penydarren, Dowlais  
Richard Jones (27) b 1885/6 Dowlais  
Ellen (26)      m=2yrs  
Sylvia Price Jones (1)

**1901 Census Online**    @ [Cross]tychan Inn, Penderyn  
Ezekiel Jones (54) & Sarah (48)  
W Henry (31), Sarah (21), Lizzie (18),  
Richard (16) b 1885 Aberdare, John (12), Mary (9)

**1911 Census Online**    @ 12 Clive Street, Trecynon, Aberdare  
Richard Hugh Jones (26) b 1885 Aberdare – Coal Miner Hower  
Mary Elizabeth (Thomas) (22) b Aberdare  
Sarah Ann (2) b Aberdare  
Elizabeth Gwen (1) b Aberdare

### Service Records

1914 – b: 1885 Aberdare (29) – Shropshire Light Infantry - 344803.  
Mother – Ann Jones

Richard abt 1883 Dowlais / abt 1886 Aberdare / abt 1895 Troedyrthiaw

**Pte Thomas Jones** b: 1903  
[Brother of John Jones b: 1899]

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare**  
Jones, Thomas bap: 6 Apr 1890 – Industrial School – parents unknown

**UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**  
Thomas b: 1889 Aberdare                      Admitted: 23 May 1894

**1901 Census Online**    Thomas (6) abt 1895 @ St Fagan's

**UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**  
Thomas Jones b: 1896 Merthyr  
Admitted: 17 Jan 1901 – mother in workhouse  
Discharged: 12 Mar 1901 – taken out by father

**UM/64/1 – Creed Register**  
Jones, Thomas - Admitted: 19 Mar 1901                      CE                      Discharged: 11 May 1901

**UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**  
Thomas Jones b: 1896 Merthyr (Morgan b: 1897)  
Admitted: 19 Mar 1901 – mother in workhouse    Discharged: 11 May 1901 – to Merthyr

**UM/66/1 Pg 105 – Industrial School Children's History Book**  
Thomas Edward Jones b 29 Jan 1897

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**  
Thomas Edward Jones b: 1896 Aberdare  
Admitted: 15 Aug 1907 [Aunt: Mary Jones, 5 Penydarren Street, Aberdare]

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**  
Aberdare Training School – Jones, Thos. Ed (11) Aberdare b: 1897

**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**  
1290 - Thomas Jones b: 1899 Aberdare                      Admitted: 30 Sep 1909

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**  
Aberdare Training School – Jones, Thomas (5) Merthyr Central b: 1903

**UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book (Pg 94)**  
Thomas b 5 Apr 1903 – 59 Field St, Cefn, Merthyr  
Father: Owen Jones      Mother: Jane Ann Jones  
Admission to Workhouse: 27 Jun 1907  
Admission to Schools: 2 Jul 1907  
Father in prison (2 months) neglecting children. Mother dead.  
Discharged: 10 Jun 1910 – taken out by father  
(Sisters – Elizabeth b 1902, Ann b 1897, Rachel b 1896)

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**  
Thomas Jones b: 1903 (John Jones b: 1899)                      Admitted: 2 July 1907

**Service Records**  
1914 - Thomas (19) abt 1895 Cwmdare – Shropshire Light Infantry – 33223  
1913 – Thomas John (18) abt Ferndale – Royal Welsh Fusiliers – 502 (Thomas & Jane)

#### **Aberdare Leader© Article**

*'On Furlough'. Pte Thos. H Jones, second son of Mr & Mrs John R Jones, 16 Mary Street, Aberdare, came home for a few days furlough on Saturday night. He is attached to the Lincolnshire Fusiliers, and is stationed in Shropshire. Another son, Pte WD Jones has been serving in France for twelve months in the Motor Transport. Before joining the Colours Pte Thos H Jones was employed in GWR Loco Dept. They are the grandsons of the late Mr William Jones, formally of the Volunteer Arms, Aberdare. [18 Aug 1917 Pg 4]*



## Pte William Jones

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr**  
Jones, William    bap: 21 Mar 1897    F: John    M: Margaret (O'Donoghue)  
                         bap: 15 Nov 1885    F: William    M: Catherine (Hurley)  
                         bap: 8 Dec 1891    F: William    M: Catherine (Sullivan)

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

1141 – Willie Jones\_b: 5 Sep 1895 Trecynon

Admitted: 1 Sep 1902 from 13 Church Row, Father: David (Collier)

### Service Records

1914 – William John (17) abt 1897 Dowlais – S W Borderers – 11449  
(Father David M Jones)

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

Willie Jones b: 8 Oct 1884

Admitted: 12 Oct 1896 from 14 Greys Place, Aberdare. Father: James Jones, Collier

### UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes

5 Jan 1899 Pg 185

Mr John Jones, 38 Winter Street, Aberdare, appeared and applied for a boy out of the School to work with him as a Collier. Resolved that Wm Jones aged 15 (b: 1884) go on a month's trial.

### UM/4/2 – Aberdare School Committee Minutes

18 May 1899 Pg 210

Mr P Halewood, Boot Manufacturer, Aberdare, has employment for boy ready to leave School that is trained in Shoemaking – William Jones.

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Catherine Jones (37) Charwoman, wife of William, Puddler – Deserted by husband

Margaret Ellen Jones (9), William James Jones (5) [b 1889]

Admitted: 6 June 1894                      from: 11 Chapel St, Caepantywill

Admitted: 10 Oct 1894                      Destitute

Catherine Jones (36) Charwoman, 1 Riverside, Merthyr

Margaret (10), William James Jones (6)

Admitted 3 Sep 1895                      Destitute

Admitted 23 Nov 1895                      Mother pregnant

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

1126 – William James Jones b: 9 July 1889 Merthyr

Admitted: 4 Nov 1901

### 1901 Census Online    [William J \(11\) abt 1890 @ St Fagan's](#)

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

Wm J Jones b: 1887 Merthyr (Marg. Ann Jones b: 1889)

Admitted: 24 Jan 1900 – mother in Merthyr workhouse

William J Jones b 1886 Merthyr

Admitted: 15 May 1900 – mother @ Canal Sq, Merthyr

Discharged: 11 Jan 1901 in service to Mr Joseph Gent, Rose Cottage, Aberkenfig

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

William J Jones

Discharged: 8 Nov 1902 in service to – Mr T Merriman, 48 John Street, Capcock

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Jones, William J - Admitted: 16 Feb 1904  
[poss. Brother John Jones] 26 Apr 1904

Bap    Discharged: 19 Apr 1904  
5 July 1904

### UM/66/2 – Industrial School – Children's History Books

Pg 80 – William Trevor Jones b 5 Apr 1900, 23 Gladstone St, Aberaman

Parents: Thomas & Sarah Jones – Husband has deserted wife on several occasions

Admitted: 4 Nov 1909

Schools: 10 Nov 1909

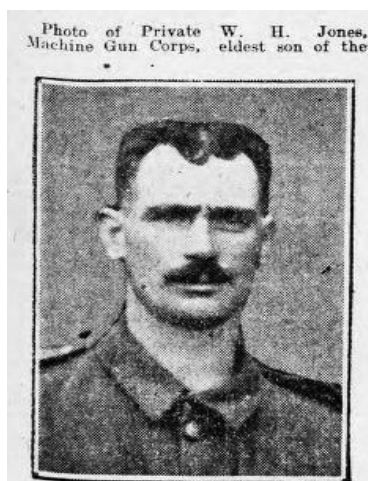
Grandfather: William *Gingel*

Discharged: 22 Jan 1910 c/o Grandfather, Mr I Griffiths, 1 Gladstone St, Aberaman

### Aberdare Leader© Article

*'On Furlough'. Pte Thos. H Jones, second son of Mr & Mrs John R Jones, 16 Mary Street, Aberdare, came home for a few days furlough on Saturday night. He is attached to the Lincolnshire Fusiliers, and is stationed in Shropshire. Another son, Pte **WD Jones** has been serving in France for twelve months in the Motor Transport. Before joining the Colours Private **WD Jones** was employed at the Aberdare Co-op, Boots Dept. They are the grandsons of the late Mr William Jones, formerly of the Volunteer Arms, Aberdare. [18 Aug 1917 Pg 4]*

*'On Furlough'. Photo of Private **W H Jones**, Machine Gun Corps, eldest son of the late Corporal Jones and Mrs Jones, Cwmbach. He wishes to thank for his friends at Cwmbach and Cwmdare for the kindness shown to him whilst on sick leave. He was slightly wounded in the back in the battle of the Somme on 25<sup>th</sup> January. He had been in France since 11 Aug 1914 and this was his first wound. He has now returned to his depot in Grantham. His wife resides at 10 Bwlifa Row, Cwmdare. [24 Mar 1917 Pg 7]*



## Pte William Launchbury

William Emanuel Launchbury b 30 Aug 1892

**1891 Census Online** @ Jenkin St, Aberdare  
Henry Launchbury (35) Oxfordshire – Cab man  
Mary Jane (nee Trow) (37) Dowlais  
Alfred J (11) Merthyr Thomas H (9) Dowlais  
Elizabeth M (6) b 1886 Aberdare  
Fred H (3) 1888 Aberdare

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

William (3), Elizabeth (9), Fred (7) Children of Mary Jane (Widow)  
Admitted: 19 Mar 1896 Destitute – Mother in jail  
54 Incline Row, Aberaman

### UM/30/3 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Mary Jane Launchbury (43), widow of Henry, Labourer, Aberdare  
Elizabeth Mary (11), Frederick Henry (8), William Emmanuel (4)  
Admitted: 23 Nov 1896 Destitute 4 Graham Street, Merthyr

### [UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Fred b 1887 & Eliz b 1885 Aberdare Admitted: 15 Feb 1897 – Deserted]

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Launchbury, William - Admitted: 17 Nov 1897 CE Discharged: 30 Nov 1907

### UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

William b 1892 Aberdare  
Admitted: 17 Nov 1897 – parents unknown

### EA/7/7 - Aberdare School Boys Register

1118 – William Launchbury b: 30 Aug 1892 Aberdare  
Admitted: 4 Nov 1901 – Training School

**1901 Census Online** William (9) Child in School @ St Fagan's, Aberdare  
Elizabeth (14) Child in School @ St Fagan's  
[Bessie Launchbury Discharged: 1/8/1901]  
Frederick (11) Child in School @ St Fagan's / died Sep 1969 Merthyr

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare

Launchbury, Frederick Henry bap: 30 Nov 1901 – Industrial School –  
parents unknown

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Willie - Discharged: 14 Apr 1902 to Infection Hospital Returned: 29 Apr 1902

### UM/1/34 - Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes 1907 – 1908

548 – Read letter from Mrs Mortimer, 19 Thomas Street, Aberfan, applying for custody of her brother, William Launchbury. Resolved that the Superintendant be directed to visit and report upon the home of the applicant. [26 Aug 1907 Pg 141]

877 – The Superintendant reported that he had visited the home of Mrs Mortimer, 19 Thomas Street, Aberfan, who had applied for the custody of her brother, William Launchbury, and found same satisfactory. Recommend: that the boy be allowed to go to hi sister and that the usual outfit be granted. [21 Nov 1907]

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

William – Discharged: 30 Nov 1907 to sister Mrs Mortimer, 19 Thomas St.

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Launchbury, Willie (15) Aberdare b 1893

**1911 Census Online** @ 19 Thomas Street, Aberfan, Merthyr Vale  
William Mortimer – Brother in law  
Elizabeth Mortimer (25) – Sister  
3 children  
William Launchbury (18) - Colliery Lamp man

**UM/1/45 – Children's Homes Committee 16 Jan 1919**

Item 2334 – Willie Launchbury

The Superintendant reported that this old boy, who had been a Prisoner of War, had called to see him, and was now residing at Merthyr Vale. The Committee asked the Superintendant to make enquiries as to him receiving a donation from the 'Evening Express Prisoner of War Fund'.

**Service Records**

1914 Pte 20389 Royal Welsh Fusiliers

**Medal Rolls 194-1920**

20389, The Royal Welsh (Welch) Fusiliers – Victory, British & '15 Star  
Demob 5 Mar 1919 (served in France 1 Dec 1915)

Cpl 10920, 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., Fusiliers, RE – Victory, British & '14 Star  
Pte 11725, Gloucestershire Regiment – Victory, British & '15 Star (France: 21 Jan 1915)

**Online:** m 1920 Merthyr – Sarah Furber      d 1979 Merthyr Tydfil

## **Pte Stephen Lucy, DCM - 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., The Buffs (East Kent) Regt.**

Online - b: 14 Feb 1891

1901 Census Online [Mary Lucy (6) b: 1895 @ St Fagan's]

### **Service Records**

1907 Joined the Buffs as a Bandsman (16)

### **UM/1/42 – Children's Homes Committee 24 Jun 1915**

Page 157 Item 498 – Distinction for Old Boys

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Alexander McCarthy: Made Senior Prefect of his College

Stephen Lucy: Made L/Cpl and gained DCM for distinguished conduct as Stretcher Bearer.

We recommend that the congratulations of the Board be conveyed to the boys.

### **Service Records**

1915 Wounded in right arm – Discharged as medically unfit.

### **Aberdare Leader© Article**

'A Trecynon D.C.M.' L.8077 Lance Corporal Stephen Lucy DCM, The Buffs East Kent Regiment, an old Trecynon boy, paid a visit home this week. He joined his Regiment as a Bandsman 9 years ago. Prior to the War he played solo euphonium and cello for the Buffs Band. He was drafted to France with the first contingent. He was mentioned in dispatches on several occasions, and in May 1915 he received the following postcard from Major General Sir John L. Keir KCB. "Your Commanding Officer and Brigade Commander have informed me that you have distinguished yourself in January, February, March and April 1915. I have read their report with much pleasure".

Lance Corporal Lucy was severely wounded in his right arm on 9 Aug 1915 at Hooge; and was in hospital until Saturday last. He has now been discharged from the Army as medically unfit, having lost the use of his right arm. He was the first Aberdare boy to be awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal and wore his ribbon when in Trecynon on furlough in July of last year. [22 July 1916 Pg 4]

### **UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 6 July 1916**

Page 359 – Lance Corporal Stephen Lucy, DCM

The Superintendent reported that this old boy had been invalided out of the Army owing to wounds and that in consequence he was unable to follow his musical career. He asked if the Committee would allow him to give Clerical Instruction in the office for, say 3 months, in order that Lucy might be able to take a Clerk's post.

We unanimously recommend that this be agreed to and that the Superintendent arrange for Lucy to live on the premises during the time he is receiving his tuition.

### **UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 20 Oct 1916**

Page 740 – Band

The Superintendent reported that the Master was still absent from duty owing to illness and that Mr Lucy had offered to train the boys in the Band until the return of the former.

We recommend that the offer be accepted with thanks and that Mr Lucy's train fares to and from Llwydcoed be paid by the Superintendent through his petty cash account.

### **UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 18 Jan 1917**

Page 1103 – Appointment of Bandmaster

The Committee recommend that Mr Lucy, one of the old boys, now a discharged Soldier with the DCM, be appointed Bandmaster at a Salary of £25 per annum in place of the late Mr F Lace.

### **UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 1 Feb 1917**

Page 1151 – Terms of Appointment of Bandmaster

The Committee recommend that Mr Lucy, the newly appointed Bandmaster, be paid 10% commission on all fees obtained for Band Engagements, and that he be paid for any loss of wages he may suffer in consequence of such engagements.

### **Forces War Records**

L/Cpl S Lucy – 8077 – 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., The Buffs (East Kent) Regiment  
DCM – London Gazette 30 Jun 1915 Pg 6387  
[No details found on Gazette website]

### **WW1 Distinguished Conduct Medal Citation**

S Lucy – 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., The Buffs (East Kent Regiment)  
‘For conspicuous and unselfish devotion to duty in attending to the wounded throughout the campaign. Lance-Corporal Lucy has twice previously been brought to the notice in this connection’.

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

L/Cpl L/8011 Stephen Lucy – East Kent Regiment  
British War & Victory Medals / '14 Star & Clasp  
Enlisted: 28 Aug 1905                      France: 7 Sept 1914  
Silver War Badge No: 70829      Discharged unfit: 19 Jul 1916      Wounds: para 392 xvi

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls 1914-1920**

Pte & L/Cpl, L/8077 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., East Kent Regt. – Victory & British  
No 2 Infantry Record Office, Staines Road, Hounslow – 21 Jun 1920

### **Online m: Dec 1920 Merthyr – Brenda M Williams**

possible children Stephen Alexander Lucy b 1921 & Brenda Cecilia Lucy b 1929 Merthyr

son Stephen Alexander Lucy - died 23 Aug 1944 on war service – Lieutenant, 228599 South Wales Borderers, Infantry Western Europe Campaign 1944/5

d: Mar 1953 (62) Pontypridd

Probate:                      Lucy, Stephen of Tanymynydd, Harriett Street, Trecynon, Aberdare Glamorganshire died 15 March 1953 Administration (with Will) London 10 November to Brenda May Lucy widow and Brenda Cecilia Lucy spinster. Effects £2767 8s 5d

## Pte John Mack, Royal Navy

**Online birth index:** JAS 1898 MT 11a 690

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr

Mack, John – bap: 25 Jun 1898

F: Thomas      M: Catherine (Crummings)

**1901 Census Online**    @ 13 Llwyfan Street, Merthyr Tydfil  
Thomas Mack (33) b 1868 Liverpool – Lab @ Iron & Steel Works  
Catherine (29) b 1872 Dowlais  
    Cornelius (10) b 1891 Merthyr  
    Elizabeth E (8) b 1893 Merthyr  
    Jeremiah (6) b 1895 Dowlais  
    John (2) b 1899 Merthyr  
    Margaret Mary (0) b 1901 Merthyr

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Mack, John - Admitted: 19 Feb 1902      RC      Discharged: 19 Dec 1905  
to St Michael's School, Treforest

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Registers

John b: 1898 Merthyr      Admitted: 19 Feb 1902 - Father in Prison

### Medal Rolls 1914-1920

John Mack, 2130, 32023, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dragoon Guards (Prince of Wales's); Prince of Wales's  
Volunteers (South Lancashire) Regiment — Victory, British & '14 Star

### Soldiers Died in the Great War

John Mack b: Dowlais d: 14 Sep 1914 France & Flanders  
Pte 7872, 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt., kia Western European Theatre

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Mack, Jeremiah (13) Merthyr Central

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Registers

Jeremiah Mack - Discharged: 19 Sep 1908 to Mr J Morgan, 14 Dowlais St, Aberdare

**1911 Census Online**    @ 73 Oxford Street, Aberdare  
with Annie E Arnold (Widow)  
Jeremiah Mack (16) Boarder

### Service Records

1918 - Jeremiah Mack b 25 Oct 1895 Merthyr – Merchant Navy – Identity Cert: 428851  
Card Type: CR10 1918-1921

**WW1 Campaign Medals Merchant Seaman** – Cornelius Mack b 1880 Merthyr

## Pte Albert Matthews, Died on Service

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Matthews, Albert - Admitted: 21 Aug 1901      CE      Discharged: 21 Oct 1908

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Albert b: 1894 Merthyr (Arthur b: 1889) [Samuel youngest]

Admitted: 21 Aug 1901 – father in workhouse

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare

Matthews, Albert bap: 3 May 1903 – Industrial School – parents unknown

**1904 Schools Online**    Albert b: 1895 @ St Fagan's

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

1192 – Albert b: 1895 Dowlais

Admitted: 29 Sep 1904 – Training School

Withdrawn: 1909

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Matthews, Albert (12) abt: 1896 Merthyr Upper

### UM/1/35 – Aberdare Training School Committee 24 Sep 1908

Page 182 Item No 641 – Albert Matthews

The Medical Officer having recommended that Albert Matthews, who is suffering from Debility, should be sent to Porthcawl Rest, the Committee recommend that he be sent to the Rest for three weeks.

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Albert b 1896

Discharged: 21 Aug 1908 to Infirmary

Re-Admitted: 10 Sep 1908

Discharged: 14 Oct 1908 to Porthcawl Rest

Re-Admitted: 4 Nov 1908

**1911 Census Online**    @ Training School, Llwyly Street, Trecynon, Aberdare  
Albert (16) b 1895 Dowlais, Glam - Inmate Helping in Gardens

### UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 19 Oct 1911

Page 237 Item No 907 – Albert Matthews

The Superintendent reported that Albert Matthews had been doing temporary duty in attending to the boilers in the absence of the regular attendant. The Committee recommend that he be granted 10/- remuneration.

### UM/1/39 – Children's Homes Committee 25 July 1912

Page 151 Item No 607 – Boiler Attendant

The Committee recommend that Albert Matthews be granted 10/- for attending to the Boilers at the School during the quarter ended 30<sup>th</sup> June.

### UM/1/39 – Children's Homes Committee 17 Oct 1912

Page 274 Item No 1025 – Albert Matthews

The Committee recommend that Albert Matthews be granted 10/- for attending to the Boilers at the School during the quarter ended 30<sup>th</sup> September.

### UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 26 Nov 1914

Page 427 Item 1639 – Albert Matthews

The Superintendent reported that this boy was ready for service, but that it was difficult to get a situation for him, as he was suffering from defective eyesight.

We recommend that the boy be given 1/- weekly as remuneration for assisting in the garden until a situation is found for him.

### UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 18 Mar 1915

Page 628 Item 2338 – Albert Matthews

The Superintendent reported that this child had been placed out to service in accordance



**UM/63/9 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

**UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 11 May 1916**

The Superintendent reported that this boy, who had joined HM Forces and was undergoing training at Rhyl, had died in hospital, and asked for instructions as to disposing of his belongings. We deferred consideration until the same have been received from hospital.

Item 835 – Private A. Matthews

## Forces War Records

Albert Matthews b: Merthyr                      Residence: Hirwain, Brecon  
Private 40614, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, 22<sup>nd</sup> Batt.,  
d: 12 Apr 1916 - Died at home

Albert Matthews b: Merthyr Residence: Hirwain, Brecon  
d: 12 Apr 1916 at home Enlistment Place: Cefn Coed, Glam  
Pte 40614 22<sup>nd</sup> Batt., Royal Welsh (Welch) Fusiliers

## **Lieut. Alexander McCarthy, 11<sup>th</sup> Royal Fusiliers, Killed Aug 1918**

[Brother of Thomas McCarthy]

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Alexander McCarthy b: 1891 Merthyr (Frances b: 1894)

Admitted: 10 Oct 1900 – parents unknown

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

McCarthy, Alexander - Admitted: 10 Oct 1900 RC Discharged: 28 Aug 1908

[Sisters – Frances, Margaret, Deborah. Brother – Thomas]

### **1901 Census Online Alexander (9) b 1892 Merthyr Tydfil - Child in School, Aberdare**

### **UM/1/4 - Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes 1907 – 1908**

55 – Alexander McCarthy (PT Admission Examinations). The Superintendent having reported that Alexander McCarthy had been informed that the Examination of Candidates for admission as Pupil Teachers will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> May next, the Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to sit the Examination. [25 Apr 1907 Pg 17]

230 – Alexander McCarthy (To attend County School). The Rev. J O'Reilly having reported that Alexander McCarthy was unsuccessful at the recent PT Admission Examination. Resolved: that the boy be allowed to attend the County School, friends having undertaken to pay the necessary fees. [10 Jun 1907 Pg 58]

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – McCarthy, Alex (16) Merthyr Upper b: 1892

### **UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 30 July 1908**

Page 122 Item No 422 – Alexander McCarthy (Apprenticeship as Pupil Teacher)

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Aberdare Education Committee, stating that Alexander McCarthy, an inmate of the Training School, having qualified for admission as a Pupil Teacher, the Education Committee recommend that he be apprenticed for two years from 1 August 1908 and engaged at the Abernant Boys School, Aberdare; salary according to scale, 1<sup>st</sup> year £15, 2<sup>nd</sup> year £20.

The Clerk reported that he had communicated with the Local Government Board in the matter, in view of the fact that the lad would require assistance from the Board in the event of his being apprenticed as a pupil teacher, and read a letter received from them in reply, stating that they would be prepared to consider a proposal to grant outdoor relief in the case, and that the application for sanction to their so doing should be accompanied by full particulars respecting the proposed arrangements for boarding and lodging the boy, and as to the provision for reducing the amount of relief as his wages are increased.

The Committee recommend that Alexander McCarthy be apprenticed as a Pupil Teacher, and that steps be taken to obtain suitable lodgings for him.

### **UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 13 Aug 1908**

Page 132 Item No 461 – Alexander McCarthy (Apprenticeship as Pupil Teacher)

The Superintendent reported that he and Rev. J O'Reilly had found suitable lodgings for Alexander McCarthy with Mr John Lenahan, 40 Cardiff Street, Aberdare, who was prepared to provide him with Board and Lodgings including washing for 12s a week.

The Committee recommend that the boy be lodged with Mr Lenahan upon the terms named and that, subject to sanction of the Local Government Board to be granted 12s weekly out-door relief during the first year of his apprenticeship and 10s during the second year.

### **UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 19 Sep 1908**

Page 173 Item No 608 – Alexander McCarthy

The Local Government Board response was to agree to the amount to be paid in outdoor relief not exceeding 12s and 10s weekly and that they considered the relief should be paid on the lad's behalf to Mr Lenahan, with whom he will reside.

### **UM/1/37 – Children's Homes Committee 21 Apr 1910**

Page 17 Item No 78 – Alexander McCarthy

The Superintendent submitted a very satisfactory terminal report by the Head Teacher of the Aberdare County School with reference to Alexander McCarthy.

**1911 Census Online** @ 41 Cardiff Street, Aberdare  
with John & Grace Linchan  
Alexander (18) b 1893 Dowlais – Boarder - Elementary School Teacher

**UM/1/42 – Children's Homes Committee 24 Jun 1915**

Page 157 Item 498 – Distinction for Old Boys

Two of the Old Boys of the Homes had obtained the following distinctions:-

Alexander McCarthy: Made Senior Prefect of his College

Stephen Lucy: Made L/Cpl and gained DCM for distinguished conduct as Stretcher Bearer.

We recommend that the congratulations of the Board be conveyed to the boys.

**UM/1/42 – Children's Homes Committee 1915**

Page 188 Item No 613 – Distinction for Old Boy

Read the Following letter from Mr Alexander McCarthy –

St Mary's College  
Hammersmith, W  
1 July 1915

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of the 30 Jun, conveying the congratulations and good wishes of the Board of Guardians of the Merthyr Tydfil Union on my appointment as Head Prefect of the above College.

I thank you for the letter, and I should feel extremely obliged if you will convey to the Board my sincere thanks and appreciation of their very kind expressions.

Yours truly,

Alexander McCarthy

**UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 15 Jan 1917**

Page 1129 – Alec McCarthy

The Superintendent reported that he had received a letter from Alexander McCarthy, an old boy, stating that he had been recommended for a Commission. We recommend that the Superintendent reply stating that the Committee are pleased to hear this and to hope that the same will be granted.

**UM/1/45 – Children's Homes Committee 26 Sept 1918**

Item 1977 – Lieutenant Alex McCarthy

The Committee wishes to express their regret and sympathy with the report of the death of one of the School's most promising boys, Lieut. Alex McCarthy, who was killed in France.

**Aberdare Leader© Article**

Aberdare friends will be sorry to hear that news has been received this week by the Misses Edwards, Ael-y-Brya, College Street, of the death in action of Second Lieutenant Alex McCarthy, who for some years past made his home with Mr & Mrs Leneham, Cardiff Road, Aberdare. From boyhood days young McCarthy showed signs of grit and perseverance – and deserves to be accredited as the very first lad to win a County School Entrance Scholarship from the Aberdare Training School. Whilst there he worked well and gained the distinction, for he later entered Hammersmith Training College having obtained his Scholarship. Before entering College however, he first taught at Abernant Schools and was later an Assistant at St Fagan's School.

In 1915 he joined the Colours as a Private whilst still at College, and in the following July (1916) saw active service and coming very near to losing his life in the great push in the Somme region. He enlisted in the Royal Fusiliers but was soon recommended for a Commission for excellent field service. As Cadet he was trained at Crookham, near Aldershot, and it is to his credit that when he was Gazetted he returned to his old regiment, Royal Fusiliers, where he did admirable work and was much beloved by his men and fellow officers. His many friends, scholastic and otherwise, will miss him severely, for he was a very genial young fellow and liked by all.

Deep sympathy is felt for his sisters and brother, Tom McCarthy RE, who is also serving with the Colours in France, and with Mr & Mrs Leneham and the Misses Edwards, College Street – the latter place being always considered by him as his second home. He was killed in action on 23 August 1918. [7 Sept 1918]

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Roll of Individuals, subsequently commissioned, entitled to the Victory and British War Medals – London 16 July 1921  
PS/9547 Pte McCarthy, Alexander 19<sup>th</sup> Batt & 11<sup>th</sup> Batt Royal Fusiliers, Commn. 31 July 1917

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Pte & L/Cpl PS/9547 11<sup>th</sup> Royal Fusiliers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt PS/9547 Royal Fusiliers  
Victory & British War Medals  
Died – 23 Aug 1918 - kia  
[Brother - T J McCarthy, 22 Plasturton Gardens, Canton, Cardiff]  
[Sister - Miss F McCarthy, 106 Penylan Road, Cardiff]

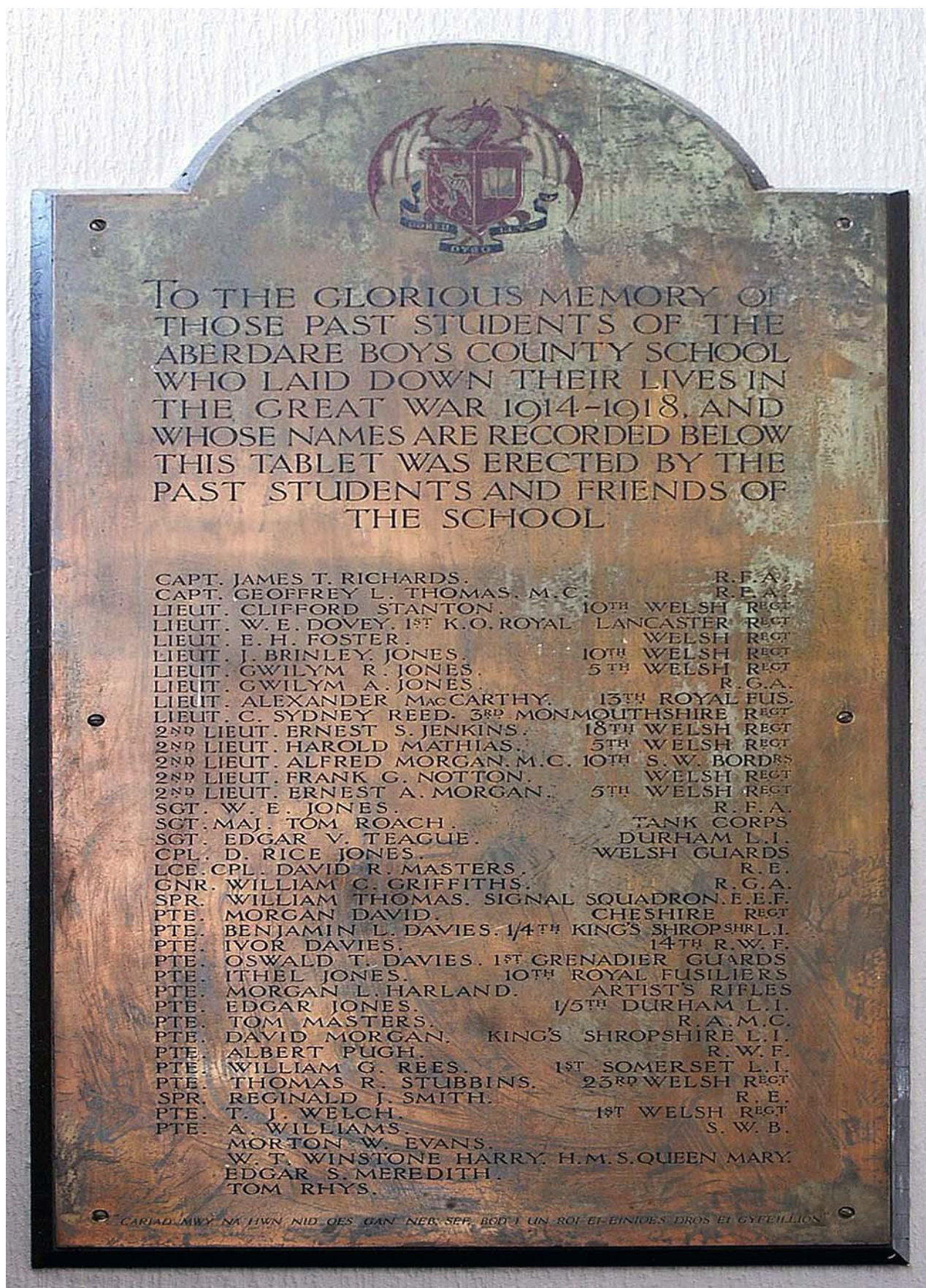
### **Soldiers Died in the Great War**

2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant (T), 13<sup>th</sup> Batt. London Regiment d: 23 Aug 1918 kia

**Online Probate:** McCarthy, Alexander of 41 Cardiff Street, Aberdare. Second Lieutenant in the Royal Fusiliers died 23 August 1918 in France. Administration (with Will). Llandaff 4 March to Thomas John McCarthy fitter. Effects: £109 8s 6d



Aberdare Boys Grammar School  
World War 1 Memorial



## **Pte Eugene McCarthy, 1<sup>st</sup> S W B**

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

McCarthy, Eugene - Admitted: 13 Apr 1898      RC      Discharged: 12 Sep 1907    Enlisted

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Eugene b: 1892 Merthyr      Admitted: 13 Apr 1898 – Parents unknown

**1901 Census Online**    Eugene (7) b 1894 @ St Fagan's [Michael (7)]

**1901 Census Online**    Child in School, Aberdare – b 1894 (7) Merthyr Tydfil

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Eugene - Discharged: 12 Sep 1907 – Enlisted as Band Boy in SWB (Brecon)

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 10 Mar 1910**

Item No 1355 – Eugene McCarthy

The Superintendant produced to the Committee a Pupil's Certificate granted by the Royal Military School of Music, Kneller Hall, that Eugene McCarthy of 1<sup>st</sup> South Wales Borderers, a former inmate of the Training School, had undergone a course of instruction on the Euphonium and had attained a good degree of proficiency as a performer thereon.

The Committee recorded their pleasure at the progress made by Eugene McCarthy.

**1911 Census Online**    Eugene (18) b 1893 Merthyr

Pte – Musician – Shommead Fort nr Gravesend, Kent

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Eugene McCarthy – Pte 9669 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., South Wales Borderers

Disembarkation: 13 Aug 1914 – 1914 Star

Eugene McCarthy – L/Cpl 9669 SWB – Victory & British War Medals

Record Office, Shrewsbury – 22 Jan 1920

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Pte 9669 SWB – Victory, British & '14 Star



## Pte Owen McCarthy

**1901 Census Online** Owen (12) b 1889 Herefordshire - Child in School, Aberdare  
James Owen McCarthy b 1889 Merthyr

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

McCarthy, Owen - Admitted: 18 Apr 1900 RC Discharged: 18 Oct 1902

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

Owen b: 1889 Merthyr [Agnes b: 1887]

Admitted: 18 Apr 1900 – parents unknown

Discharged: 18 Oct 1902 in service to – Mr E A Condon, 3 Tanyard Place, Aberaman

**1911 Census Online** @ 5 Underhill Villas, Tanyard Place, Aberaman, Aberdare  
Edward Condon (40) Coalminer  
Elizabeth (33)  
Edward Morris (9)  
Daniel John (8)  
Hilda (1)  
Jas Owen McCarthy (21) b 1890 Merthyr – Boarder - Coalminer

### Pension Records 1914-1920

1914 – Owen McCarthy (24) b 1890 Dowlais - Pte 5742 Irish Guards, 1<sup>st</sup> Batt

## Pte Patrick McCarthy, 8<sup>th</sup> South Wales Borderers

b AMJ 1890 MT 11a 553

d Mar 1941 Merthyr Tydfil

**1891 Census Online** @ 21b Sand Street, Dowlais  
John McCarthy (40) & Alice (33) b Ireland  
Mary (10), Ellen (7), John (5),  
**Patrick** (2) abt 1889 Ireland, Elizabeth (2mths),  
Hannah Hurley (18) Servant/Domestic & 4 Boarders

### UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admission Register

Patrick b 1890 Merthyr (mother Bridget Hurley)

Discharged: 7 Nov 1896

Admitted: 28 Nov 1896 Discharged: 23 Jan 1897 into the Workhouse

**1901 Census Online** @ St Fagan, Aberdare Industrial School  
Patrick (12) b 1889 – Child at School

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission Register

Patrick - Discharged: 8 Nov 1902 in service to

Mr William Brough, 18 Pembroke Street, Aberdare – Coal miner.

**1911 Census Online** @ 108 High Street, Caeharris, Dowlais  
Patrick Donovan (45) Lab at Blast Furnace  
Margaret Donovan (47) [m=13yrs 2 child 1 died]  
Timothy Donovan (11) b 1900 Dowlais - School  
Patrick McCarthy (23) b 1888 Dowlais – Stepson Lab - Coal Mine  
Jeremiah McCarthy (21) b 1890 Dowlais – Stepson Lab Coalmine  
John McCarthy (18) b 1893 Dowlais – Stepson Plastering doors  
in Coke Oven

1914 – Pte 3/14748 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt., SWB b 1883 (31) Glamorgan

### Medal Rolls Index Cards

Pte 14748, 216535 - South Wales Borderers, Labour Corps

Victory Medal, British War Medal & '15 Star

France: 26 Jan 1915

Discharge: 13 Mar 1919

Pte 13200, 645026 - South Wales Borderers, Labour Corps

Victory, British War & '15 Star France: 11 Dec 1914

Pte 16383, 166428, 390234 - SWB, Royal Flying Corps, Labour Corps

Victory & British War Medals – Issued RAF

'15 Star – Issued RFC France: 9 May 1915

### Service Medal & Award Rolls

Pte 71041 - Prince of Wales's Volunteers (South Lancashire) Regiment

Possible marriages Sept 1916 Mary Griffiths – Merthyr

Jun 1921 Elizabeth Bell - Merthyr

Possible death

Mar 1941 MT



## **Pte Thomas McCarthy, Royal Engineers**

[Brother to Alexander McCarthy]

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index** – St Mary R C, Merthyr  
McCarthy, Thomas – bap: 22 Aug 1897      F: John      M: Lydia (Taque)

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

McCarthy, Thomas - Admitted: 17 Jan 1901      RC      Discharged: 1 May 1908  
St Michael's School, Treforest

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Thomas McCarthy b Jul 1897 Merthyr  
Admitted: 17 Jan 1900 - parents unknown

**1901 Census Online**    Thomas (5) b 1896 Merthyr - Child at School, Aberdare

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Thomas - Discharged: 12 Apr 1902 to Infections Hospital  
Returned: 5 May 1902

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908  
Aberdare Training School – McCarthy, Thomas (11) b: 1897 Merthyr Upper

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Thomas [John, Dennis]      Discharged: 1 May 1908 to St Michael's Home, Treforest

**1911 Census Online**    @ Pontypridd – [St Michael's Home, Treforest]  
Thomas (13) b 1898 Merthyr - Inmate

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Sapper WR. 504559 / 227337 Royal Engineers – British & Victory Medals  
- 1917 (Thomas John) b 1897 Dowlais (19) – 227337 Inland Water Transport  
- 1920 b 1897 Dowlais (23) – WR/504559 Royal Engineers

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

227337, WR/504559 Thomas J McCarthy  
Victory & British War Medals

Driver 368007 Royal Engineers  
Sapper WR.148043 Royal Engineers  
Sapper 345675 Royal Engineers /WR.315988 Royal Engineers  
Sgt WR.261994 / 210674 Royal Engineers

**Online Probate:** McCarthy, Thomas of 22 West Lane, Georgetown, Merthyr Tydfil died 22 January 1963 at the General Hospital, Merthyr. Llandaff: 24 Apr to Beatrice Maud McCarthy, widow. Effects £554 8s

## Pte Richard Murphy, Royal Field Artillery

Online b: Oct 1896 Merthyr      d: Mar 1968 Bridgend

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr

Murphy, Richard – bap: 27 Dec 1896 [and 8 Sep 1900]

F: Richard      M: Catherine (Hemlock)

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Murphy, Richard - Admitted: 17 Jan 1901      RC      Discharged: 26 Jan 1901

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

Richard Murphy b: 1897 Merthyr

Admitted: 17 Jan 1901 – mother in workhouse

Discharged: 26 Jan 1901 – to Merthyr

**1901 Census Online**      @ 15 Park Street, Cyfartha, Merthyr  
James Murphy (41) b Ireland - Lab Coke Ovens  
Alice (31) b Monmouth  
John (5) Merthyr  
Richard (3) b 1898 Monmouth

### UM/66/1 – Industrial School - Children's History Books

Pg 67 - Richard b: 16 Aug **1894** @ 5 Global Row, Blaina, Mon

Address 1904: 5 Sunny Bank, Merthyr

Father: James Murphy      Mother: Alice Murphy

Admission to Workhouse: 4 Feb 1907      Admission to Schools: 9 Feb 1907

Parent in prison for drunkenness

Discharged: 19 Sep 1908 c/o Mr Fred Williams, 25 Oak St, Aberdare

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes, Aberdare Training School Committee 10 Sep 1908

Page 160 Item No 563 – Richard Murphy

Mr Patrick Dowling, 27 Oak Street, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and applied for a boy to work underground with him.

Satisfactory testimonials were submitted and the Committee recommended that Richard Murphy, aged 14 years, be allowed to go out to Mr Dowling for a month on trial, upon the usual conditions, subject to Superintendent visiting the home and finding same satisfactory.

### UM/63/8 - Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register

Richard - Discharged: 19 Sep 1908 to Mr Fred Williams, 25 Oak St, Aberdare

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 22 Oct 1908

Item No 758 – Richard Murphy

The above named boys, who have been out for a month on trial, appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to remain where they had been placed. The persons to whom they had been sent also appeared and expressed satisfaction with the boys.

Resolved that Contracts be signed and outfits granted.

**1911 Census Online**      @ 25 Oak Street, Aberdare  
Fred & Elizabeth Williams (both 34)  
Richard Murphy (16) b **1895** MT – Boarder - Worker underground

### Forces War Records

Gunner Richard Murphy – 44661 RFA – no

Gunner R Murphy – 1412 RFA – MM – no

Driver R Murphy – 104615 26<sup>th</sup> Labour Batt., RFA – Ailment 1917 – Service 1yr  
6mths

Cpl R Murphy – 715406 37<sup>th</sup> Battery, RFA – Gunshot wound to head & L shoulder  
– 19 Apr 1918

Gunner R Murphy - ?685 RFA – Service 17 yrs – Bronchitis 30 Jan 1917

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Driver Richard Murphy W/3496, Royal Artillery – Victory & British War Medals  
Woolwich 8 Jan 1920 / 1914-15 Star

Gunner R Murphy 70763, Royal Artillery (Royal Horse Artillery & Royal Field  
Artillery) – Victory & British War Medals - Woolwich 13 Mar 1920 –  
Discharged: P.U. 31 Apr 1916 / 1914-15 Star

Gunner R Murphy 161729, 478 Sge. Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery – Victory &  
British War Medals – Dover 15 Jan 1920

Gunner R Murphy 50519, 340 Sge. Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery - Victory &  
British War Medals - Dover 15 Mar 1920

Gunner R Murphy 34484, 24 Sge. Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery – Victory &  
British War Medal – Dover 8 Dec 1919

Gunner R Murphy 44661 Royal Artillery (Royal Horse Artillery & Royal Field  
Artillery) – Victory & British War Medals – Woolwich 24 Feb 1920 / 1914-15 Star

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Royal Field Artillery – W/3496 – Driver – Victory, British & '15 Star – France  
24 Dec 1915

Royal Field Artillery 70763 – Victory, British & '15 Star – France 1 Sep 1915

Royal Field Artillery / Labour Corps – 38653 / 561884 – Gunner – Victory & British

Royal Garrison Artillery – 32403 – Gunner & A/Sgt – Victory, British & '15 Star  
France 5 Apr 1915

**Pte Christopher O'Keefe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Leinster Regt.**  
[KEEFE]

**Online** - b 25 Dec 1886      d Dec 1977 Merthyr Tydfil (91) – O'Keefe

**UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Keefe, Christopher - Admitted: 15 May 1900      RC      Discharged: 2 Jan 1902

**UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Christopher Keefe b 1887 Merthyr

Admitted: 15 May 1900 – parents unknown

Discharged: 20 Jan 1902 – into care of father

**1901 Census Online**      @ Aberdare Training School, St Fagan, Cwmdare, Aberdare  
Christopher Keefe (12) b 1889 Merthyr

**1911 Census Online**      no Welsh returns

**Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Pte Christopher O'Keefe 8543, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Prince of Wales's Leinster Regiment  
(Royal Canadians) – Cork 3 Jul 1920 Discharged: Surplus to Military  
Requirements – 5 May 1919

**Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Prince of Wales's Leinster Regiment (Royal Canadians) – 8543 - Victory, British & '14 Star  
(France: 8 Sep 1914)

## **Pte Jack O'Neill**

[No Jack found, could be John]

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908  
Aberdare Training School – O'Neil, John (13) b: 1895 Merthyr Upper

### **UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 3 June 1909**

Item No 234 – John O'Neill

Letter from Sister Superior of St Michael's Home, Treforest, stating that John O'Neill had been placed with Messrs Price & Co, Bakers and Provisions Merchants, Rhondda, who would teach him the trade of Baker and pay him 3s weekly, in addition to board and lodgings.

The Committee recommend situation approved of, subject to its being understood that clothing is to be provided for, in addition to board and lodgings.

**1911 Census Online** @ St Mary's Orphanage for Roman Catholic Boys, North Hyde nr Southall  
John O'Neil (11) b 1900 Merthyr - Inmate

### **Forces War Records**

Private J O'Neill – Army Service Corps – no service number

Mutiny – 13 Apr 1917 – Dunkirk – 1yr Hard Labour

“as an act of collective insubordination, combination of two or more persons or inducing others to resist superior ranks instructions”.

Archive Ref: WO/213/14/138

**1901 Census Online** @ Dowlais  
Patrick O'Neil (33) & Margaret E (32)  
Mary Anne (3) b Dowlais [John](#) (2) b 1899 Dowlais

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

O'Neill, John - Admitted: 8 Dec 1898

RC

Discharged: 30 Aug 1899

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

John b: 1887 Merthyr

Admitted: 8 Dec 1898 – mother in workhouse (Mary O'Neil)

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index** – St Mary R C, Merthyr

O'Neill, John – bap: 9 Mar 1873

F: Daniel

M: Mary (Pellegan)

### **Service Records**

1915 John O'Neill abt 1867 (48) – 38 Bridge St, Merthyr  
Army Service Corps – 127183

## Pte Jeremiah O'Neill, 3/5 Welsh Regt.

**Online** b: 29 Mar 1897      d: Dec 1970 (73) Merthyr

**1901 Census Online** @ 26 Waterloo Street, MT  
Jeremiah O'Neil (33) b Ireland – Furnaceman, Steelworks  
Catherine (28) b Stockton, Durham  
Michael (9) b Merthyr  
Dennis (7) b Merthyr  
Jeremiah (5) b 1896 Merthyr

### UM/66/2 – Industrial School Children's History Book

Pg 39 - b: 30 Mar 1896 @ 10 Queens Street, Merthyr  
F: Jeremiah    M: Catherine (brother Timothy b 1905)  
Deserted by father, mother in workhouse  
Admitted: 22 May 1909 School: 8 Jun 1909  
Discharged: 13 July 1909 Merthyr  
Re-admitted: 23 Sep 1909      Discharged: 16 Oct 1909  
Re-admitted: 12 Oct 1909      Discharged: 17 Jan 1910

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Jeremiah b 1898 Merthyr (Timothy b 1905)  
Admitted: 7 Jun 1909 – mother: Catherine O'Neil in workhouse  
Discharged: 13 July 1909  
Admitted: 23 Sept 1909 – mother Cath in workhouse  
Discharged: 16 Oct 1909 – Merthyr  
Admitted: 21 Oct 1909      Discharged: 17 Jan 1910

**1911 Census Online** @ 21 John Street, MT  
Jeremiah (47) Lab at Blast Furnace, Dowlais Works  
Catherine (36)  
Jeremiah (14) Collier Cutting Coal, Cyfartha Colliery  
Timothy (7) b 1904/5  
John (1)  
Margaret Donovan (69) Mother in law

### Service Medal & Award Rolls

Pte Jeremiah O'Neill 5206 Infantry Base Depot, 5<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welch Regt. & 241527 1/5<sup>th</sup> & 4/5<sup>th</sup>  
Batt., Welsh Regt. - Victory & British War Medals  
Infantry Records Shrewsbury 9 Dec 1921

### Medal Rolls Index Cards

Pte 5206 & 241527 Welsh Regt – Victory & British War Medals

**Online** - Possible m: JAS 1923 MT – Margaret Mew

## **Pte Patrick O'Rourke, Royal Air Force (1918)**

[ROURKE]

Online - b: 1903

d: Mar 1950 Merthyr (47)

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr**

O'Rourke, Patrick – bap: 20 Dec 1903 F: John

M: Catherine Ann (Daley)

### **1911 Census Online**

@ 74 Picton Street, Merthyr

John Rourke (29) b Cork, Ireland – Underground Lab

Catherine (29) b Merthyr m=6yrs 4 children/2 died

Daniel (9) b Merthyr

Patrick (7) b 1903 Merthyr

Hanna (5) b Merthyr

Catherine (1) b Merthyr

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Patrick b 1903 Re-Admitted: 15 Feb 1912 from Southall

Discharged: to Southall

### **UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 23 July 1914**

Page 187 Item 735 – Patrick Rourke

It was reported that this boy had absconded on Monday, 15 July and had not returned. The Police had been informed.

### **UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 29 Oct 1914**

Page 371 Item 1445 – Applications for Children

Recommend that the boy Patrick Rourke be allowed to go to Mr Richards, 8 Oak Street, Aberdare, upon the usual terms.

### **UM/63/9 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Patrick b 1903

Discharge: 10 Nov 1914 – to service – Mr Richards, Oak Street, Aberdare

### **UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 29 Oct 1914**

Page 371 Item 1445 – Patrick Rourke

The boy's employer and the boy having appeared before the Committee, and everything being satisfactory, we recommend that the usual Form of Contract be signed.

### **Forces War Records**

P O'Rourke – Air Mechanic 3rd Class – RAF Date: 30 Oct 1917

Before transfer to RAF from RNAS or RFC

Rank – A Mech. 2 Trade: Driver (MT)

Service No: 82701 Service from: 29 May 1917

Archive Ref: AIR 1/819/204/41316

Victory & British Medals

## Pte W E Price, W O Royal Navy

### UM/30/4 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Registers

William Price (4) son of Mary [Margaret (8), Mary (5), Peter (1½)]  
Admitted: 1 Dec 1898 from: 2 Frederick Court, Dowlais Deserted by father  
Admitted: 23 Dec 1898  
Admitted: 4 Jan 1899

### Forces War Records

William E Price – Paymaster Sub Lieutenant (Temp)  
27 Oct 1917 Royal Naval Reserve

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

1061 - William D Price b: 1892 Trecynon  
Admitted: 2 Oct 1899 from 62 Harriet Street. Father: William

**1901 Census Online** @ 7 Bwilfa Terrace, St Fagan, Aberdare  
Thomas (31), Catherine (27), Maggie (6) William E Price (3) abt 1898  
**1911 Census Online** @ 7 Bwilfa Terrace with Thomas (41), Catherine (37), Margaret M (15)  
William Emrys Price (12) abt 1899, Rosina (8)  
d: Sept 1964 Pontypridd

**1911 Census Online** @ School in Lower M T  
William Ewart Price (13) abt 1898 – Inmate

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

Willie Price, Llewelyn St, Aberdare – b: 4 Mar 1888  
Admitted: 4 Mar 1888 – Father: Vaughan Price, Contractor

**Medals awarded to WW1 Merchant Seaman** William Price b 1888 Merthyr

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Price, William Ernest - Admitted: 28 Dec 1889 Discharged: 20 Dec 1895 [poss. Birth 1881]

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Fagan, Aberdare

Price, William Ernest bap: 6 Apr 1890 – Industrial School – parents unknown

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr

Price, William – bap: 10 Nov 1897 F: John M: Rebecca (McDowell)

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

612 – Willie Price b: 28 Mar 1882 Admitted: 1 Jan 1889 Father: George (Draper)  
**Online** - William E Price – b 1882 / d 1956 Merthyr

**Online** - William Edmund Price – b 1883 MT



## **Pte Thomas Rees, 2/9 Manchester Regt.**

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 233 – Thomas John Rees b 1898 @ 14 Quarry Row, MT  
Father: Unknown                      Mother: Ann Rees

### **UM/1/39 – Children's Homes Committee 3 Oct 1912**

Page 252 Item No 946 – Thomas John Rees

Read letter from Mr Jones, The Factory, Llanfair, Lampeter applying for a boy.

The Committee recommend that the boy Thomas John Rees be allowed to go for a month on trial to Mr Jones upon the usual conditions and that the usual outfit be granted.

### **UM/1/39 – Children's Homes Committee 12 Dec 1912**

Page 360 Item No 1356 – Thomas John Rees

A letter was read from Mr David Jones, The Factory, Llanfair, Lampeter with whom Thomas John Rees had been on trial, stating that the boy suited, and that he desired to retain his services.

The Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to remain, and that the usual contract be entered into.

### **UM/1/39 – Children's Homes Committee 23 Jan 1913**

Page 430 Item No 1676 – Thomas John Rees

Read letter from Mr Jones, The Factory, Llanfair, Lampeter stating that he desired the boy, Thomas John Rees, taken back to the School as he could not do anything with him.

The Committee recommend that the matter be left in the hands of the Superintendent.

### **UM/1/40 – Children's Homes Committee 12 Jun 1913**

Page 85 – Thos Rees, Llanfair, Lampeter

He is getting on very well. Looks well looked after, and told me he was quite happy and comfortable. He gets his money regularly, and is taking care of it. Mrs Jones is his banker. He is "one of the family" and the son of Mr Jones, a lad about 9, is very fond of him. He is picking up his trade very well. I saw some of his work.

### **UM/1/40 – Children's Homes Committee 13 Nov 1913**

Page 345 Item 1555 – Thomas John Rees

The Superintendent reported that Thomas John Rees who had been with Mr Jones, Woollen Manufacturer, Llanfair, Lampeter, was returning to the School.

The Committee recommend that the boy be sent to Mr E W Evans, King Street, Cwmdare.

### **UM/63/9 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Thomas John Rees b 1899

Discharged: 16 May 1914

Enlisted: 1<sup>st</sup> S Lancashire Regt

### **UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 28 May 1914**

Page 71 Item 296 – Thomas John Rees (16)

The Superintendent reported that, as instructed, he had had this boy enlisted in the Army, but that he had since been refused, as he had not passed the necessary Scholastic Examination; further that the boy had not returned to the Homes.

### **Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Pte 14456, 7<sup>th</sup> Batt., Prince of Wales Volunteers (South Lancashire) Regt.

& Pte 43258, 17<sup>th</sup> Batt., Manchester Regt.,

Enlistment: 7/9/14

Discharge: 6/9/17 Wound - Kings Regs: Para 392 xvi

Victory & British Medals

**Online** Poss. m – AMJ 1920 MT – Elizabeth Daniel

Poss. d – b 1897 – d 1953 MT    b 1896 – d 1958 MT

## **Sgt Frederick Roberts, MM, Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry**

### **UM/30/4 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

Frederick Roberts (7) son of Thomas and Elizabeth  
Admitted: 28 Mar 1899 from: 22 Heathwall Street, Aberdare  
Deserted by father [John Albert Roberts (4mths)]

### **UM/66/3 & UM/63/6 - Fred Roberts b: 1892 Aberdare**

Admitted: 13 Nov 1901 – parents unknown

### **UM/1/35 - Guardian Minutes Book 2 May 1908**

Page 21 Item No 78 – Frederick Roberts

Cannington Industrial School; discharged 18 March 1908 and now working for Mr Bere, Blackmore Farm, Bridgewater, did not feel justified in sending boy to his grandmother at Aberdare as he thought he would do better away from his old associations.

Boy having attained age of 16 years, was no longer under the control of the Guardians, but would remain up to 18 years under the supervision of managers of the Industrial School.

**1911 Census Online** @ Higher Barracks, Howell Road, Exeter, Devon  
Frederick (18) b 1893 Aberdare – Private (Military)

### **UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 17 Jan 1917**

Page 1092 – Fred Roberts

The Superintendent reported that Fred Roberts, one of the old boys from the Homes, had received the Military Medal. We recommend that the Superintendent write and congratulate him on behalf of the Guardians.

### **Service Medal Roll**

Pte 9836 2<sup>nd</sup> DCLI & 6<sup>th</sup> DCLI – Exeter 1920 British War & Victory Medals

### **Medal Rolls Index Cards**

9836 Victory, British & '15 Star – France 19 Dec 1914 – Silver War Badge - 96140

No details of MM on Gazette site or Aberdare Leader

### **Forces War Records**

*Sgt F J C Roberts – 9227 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., DCLI – DCM 4 Jan 1915*

## Pte Frederick Sheppard

[SHEPPARD/SHEPARD]

Frederick James Sheppard

b: 3 Feb 1899 Gelligaerd: 1978 Merthyr Tydfil

### 1911 Census Online

@ 14 Miltar Terrace, Gelligaer

Rose Sheppard (39) b 1872 Mid Norton Widow

John (14) b 1897 Chewston Mendip Coal Miner Hewer

Fred (12) b 1899 Mid Norton, Somerset School

Thomas (9) b Wales; Minnie (6) & William (4) b Mid Norton

### 1911 Schools Online

Fredk. Sheppard b 1899 @ St Fagan's, Aberdare

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

1358 – Frederick b: 1899 Brithdir

Admitted: 6/11/11 – Training School

### UM/66/3 - Industrial School Children's History Book Pg 76

#### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Frederick James Sheppard – 13 yrs b: 1899 Gelligaer

Admitted: 27 Oct 1911 – Mother: Rose in prison for 3 months

(Thomas b 1901, Minnie b 1904, William b 1907)

### UM/1/40 – Children's Homes Committee 18 Sep 1913

Page 247 Item 1069 – Frederick Sheppard

Read letter from Mr Thomas Prosser, Painter & Decorator, 70 High Street, Hirwain, applying for the boy Frederick Sheppard.

The Committee recommend that they boy be allowed to go to Mr Prosser for a month on trial.

### UM/1/40 – Children's Homes Committee 13 Nov 1913

Page 345 Item 1556 – Frederick Sheppard

The Superintendent reported that Fred Sheppard had been with Mr Prosser, Painter & Decorator, Hirwain, for 6 weeks, and had expressed a wish to learn the trade.

The Committee recommend that Mr Prosser be asked to appear before the next meeting with a view to arranging terms for the boy's apprenticeship.

### UM/1/40 – Children's Homes Committee 24 Nov 1913

Page 370 Item 1642 – Frederick Sheppard

The Committee recommend that Fred Sheppard be apprenticed with Mr Prosser, Painter & Decorator, 70 High Street, Hirwain, for 2 years at a fee of £5, Mr Prosser to pay him 1/- per week.

### UM/63/9 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Fred Sheppard b 1899

Admitted: May 1914 – returned from Service

Admitted: 10 Dec 1914 – workhouse by order of the School Committee

### UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 10 Dec 1914

Page 452 Item 1729 – Frederick Sheppard

The Superintendent reported that he had visited Mr Prosser as regards the conduct of this boy, who was apprenticed by the Guardians as a Painter & Decorator, and found that Mr Prosser could not keep him any longer owing to his being very dishonest.

It was recommended that he at once be taken over to the Workhouse, and there retained until the necessary steps can be taken to have him transferred either to a Training Ship or a Reformatory. [Indenture of Apprenticeships - date 24 Mar 1914 be cancelled.]

### UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 4 Feb 1915

Page 548 Item 2045 – Frederick Sheppard

The Clerk reported that this boy had been sent to a Reformatory School until he was 19 years of age, by the Magistrates yesterday.

[Aged about 16 in 1915, so would be 19 in 1918]

Possible service from 1918 onwards – see above

**Medal Rolls**

*Royal Field Artillery – 42774*

*Royal Engineers / Royal Fusiliers / Kings (Liverpool) Regt., /*

*Somerset Light Infantry / 5<sup>th</sup> Gloucester Regt., & MGC*

## Pte Jemmy Shephard

[SHEPPARD]

Online James b: Oct 1881 MT  
Online James b: 1882 d: Jun 1948 MT

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Shephard, James - Admitted: 1 Dec 1891 CE Discharged: 9 Jan 1897

**1901 Census Online** @ 35 Bute Street, Aberdare  
with Frances Davies (38) Seamstress  
James b: 1882 Merthyr (19) Boarder – Boot maker Finisher

### Forces War Records

Pte James Shephard – 11700 Kings (Liverpool Regt) – no  
Pte J Shephard – 20301 SWB – no (too old)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. J B Shephard – 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., DCLI

*1914 - James Shepherd (22) b 1892 Aberdare – No: 17848 Welsh Regt., 14<sup>th</sup> Batt. (Swansea Batt.)*

*Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, C of Dns – 18207, D/17441*

*Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Regt., - L/13497*

*Royal Field Artillery, 14<sup>th</sup> Bde., RFA, Labour Corps – 32636, 63234, 63234*

## **Sgt Jeremiah Sullivan**

[Brother of John Sullivan b 1897]

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Sullivan, Jeremiah (5) Merthyr Upper b: 1903

John (12) Merthyr Upper

Julia (10) Merthyr Upper

### **1901 Census Online @ 4 Gas Row, Dowlais**

Patrick (36), Mary Ann (28), Patrick (8), William (6), John (4) & Julia (1)

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 86 - Jeremiah Sullivan b 1903 @ 54 Gas Row, Dowlais

Parents: Patrick & 'Dead'

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Jeremiah b 1903 MT [William & John] – F: Pat Sullivan, late of 54 Gas Row, MT

Admitted: 22 May 1907

Discharged: 16 Oct 1909 to St Mary's School, North Hyde, Middlesex

### **UM/1/44 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Guardian Minute Book**

2 June 1917 – Jeremiah Sullivan, St Mary's Southall

Letter informing the Board that Jeremiah was in their Infirmary suffering from a slight touch of Pleurisy and acute Tuberculosis asking the Boards permission to send him to Brentford Union Infirmary. This was agreed.

### **Forces War Records**

Pte Jeremiah Sullivan – 30364 Welsh Regt., kia - no

Pte Jeremiah Sullivan – 8763 Welsh Regt., kia

## **Pte John Sullivan**

[Brother of Jeremiah Sullivan b: 1903]

**1901 Census Online** @ 54 Gas Row, Dowlais  
Patrick Sullivan (36), Mary Ann (28), Patrick (8), William (6),  
John (4) b 1897 Dowlais & Julia (1)

### **UM/64/1 – Creed Register**

Sullivan, John - Admitted: 20 Feb 1902 RC Discharged: 19 May 1906

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908**

Aberdare Training School – Sullivan, John (12) b: 1896 Merthyr Upper  
Julia (10) Merthyr Upper

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 54 - John Sullivan b: 1896 – 57 Lower Heights, Dowlais. F: Patrick M: Mary A (dead).  
Father in gaol for deserting children. The above boy had been in truant school.

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

John [Patrick, William, Jeremiah]

Discharged: 16 Oct 1909 to St Mary's School, North Hyde, Middlesex

### **UM/1/40 – Board of Guardians Minutes - 2 Aug 1913 & 16 Aug 1913**

Page 174 Item 788 & Pg 186 Item 836 – Emigration of John Sullivan

Read letter from St Mary's School, Southall, Stating that John Sullivan had been working on their farm for sometime, and that he was now anxious to emigrate to Canada.

That John Sullivan, aged 17 years, deserted child chargeable to this Union, having consented to emigrate to Canada, the necessary steps be immediately taken to effect this emigration, and that a sum not exceeding £12 be expended for such child and be charged upon the Common Fund of this Union.

### **UM/1/40 – Board of Guardians Minutes - 8 Nov 1913**

Page 338 Item 1513 – Emigration of John Sullivan

Read letter from St Mary's School, Southall, dated 5 November, stating that their bandmaster had secured a vacancy for John Sullivan, to enlist in a Regimental Band, and asking for the Board's Consent to his enlistment, and also to provide him with a suit of clothes, pair of boots, etc. on his discharge.

Resolved: that the Board's consent be given to the boy's enlistment and that the Superintendent be authorised to provide him with the clothing and charge the same against this Board.

**Online - possible d: Sept 1927 MT b: 1896**

**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1359 – Thomas b: 1901 Brithdir

Admitted: 6/11/11 – Training School

**1911 Census Online @ 14 Milton Terrace, Brithdir, Gelligaer**

Rose Sheppard (39) : 1872 Somerset

John (14) b: 1897 Somerset

Fred (12) b: 1899 Somerset

Thomas (9) b: 1902 Wales

Minnie (6) b: 1905 Somerset

William (4 b: 1907 Somerset

**UM/66/3 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 77 – Thomas Sheppard – b: 27 Feb 1901 (11 yrs) Gelligaer

Admitted: 27 Oct 1911 – Mother: Rose in prison for 3 months

**UM/1/42 – Children's Homes Committee 8 July 1915**

Pg 186 Item 691 – Boy eligible for service

Thomas Sheppard aged 14 yrs.

**UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 8 June 1916**

Page 141 – Thomas Shepard

The Clerk reported that this boy had fail to gain admission to the training ship 'Indefatigable' as being too old, and that in the opinion of the Superintendent he was not able to do the papers set for his examination for the 'Mercury'. We recommend that the Superintendent endeavour to find a situation for him.

**UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 8 June 1916**

Page 141 – Thomas Shepard

We recommend that subject to the usual enquires by the Superintendent proving satisfactory, this boy be allowed to go to Mr Rees Llewellyn upon the usual terms.

**UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 7 July 1916**

Page 280 – Thomas Shepard

The Superintendent that he had visited the home of Mr Rees Llewellyn and everything was satisfactory. We recommend that Thos. Sheppard be sent there, or if he is enlisted in the Army Band, that Bertie Coombs be sent there.

**UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 20 July 1916**

Page 341b – Thomas Shepard

The Superintendent reported that as instructed at the last meeting, he had enlisted Thomas Sheppard in the Army as a Bands boy.

**Forces War Records**

Pte Thomas Shephard – 230823 – Dorsetshire Regt (22)

Service: 21 Oct 1915 – 27 Mar 1919 – surplus to military requirements (having suffered impairment since entry into the service). Silver War Badge: B247161

Pte T Shephard – 12202 Manchester Regt.,



## Pte Phillip Sullivan, Royal Field Artillery

**1901 Census Online** @ 23 King Street, Brithdir, Dowlais  
Philip Sullivan (38) b 1863 Dowlais  
Catherine (32) b 1869 Rhymney  
Alice (10) b 1891 Rhymney  
Patrick (6) b 1895 Dowlais  
Philip (3) b 1898 Dowlais

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Sullivan, Phillip - Admitted: 19 Feb 1902 RC Discharged: 12 Oct 1907

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Sullivan, Phillip (9) Merthyr Upper b: 1899

### UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book

Pg 176 – Philip Sullivan b Feb 1898 Dowlais Parents: Philip & Catherine

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Philip b 1898 Merthyr

Admitted: 15 Oct 1908 – Mother: Catherine Sullivan

**1911 Census Online** @ 32 High Street, Dowlais  
Philip Sullivan (50) b 1861 MT – Mine Hewan  
Kate (40) b 1871 Tredegar  
Patrick (16) b 1895 Dowlais  
Philip (13) b 1898 Dowlais  
James (8) b 1903 Gellier

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Philip b 1899 Merthyr (brother - James b 1903)

Admitted: 12 Mar 1908 – mother: Cath Sullivan – MT workhouse

Discharged: 17 Jun 1908

Admitted: 15 Oct 1908 – mother in workhouse

Discharged: 9 Nov 1908 - Merthyr with James

Admitted: 8 Apr 1909 with James – mother in workhouse

Discharged: 29 Jul 1909

### Philip b: 1895

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Sullivan, Phillip (13) Merthyr Upper b: 1895

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Phillip b: 1895 Merthyr

Admitted: 19 Feb 1902 – parents unknown

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Phillip – Discharged: 12 Oct 1907 to service - Mrs Walsh, 18 Hirwain Road,

### UM/1/4 - Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes 1907 – 1908

683 – Mrs Walsh, wife of Mr John Walsh, 18 Hirwain Road, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee, and applied for the boy Philip Sullivan. The Application having been supported by several members of the Committee; the Committee recommended that the boy be allowed to go for a month on trail. [7 Oct 1907 Pg 180]

875 – Mrs Walsh, 18 Hirwain Road, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and expressed satisfaction with the boy, Philip Sullivan, who had been out on a month's trail. The boy appeared and expressed a desire to remain with Mrs Walsh. Recommended: that the boy been given an outfit and Contract signed. [21 Nov 1907]

**Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Driver – W/3912 – RFA - Victory, British & '15 Star – France 23 Dec 1915

**Service Medal & Award Rolls**

Royal Artillery – British, Victory & 1914-15 Star (Woolwich – 31 July 1919)

**UM/1/44 Guardians Minutes – House Committee 18 Sep 1917**

Phillip Sullivan (Lunatic) Cardiff Union – settlement be admitted.

## Pte E H Thomas

1889 Schools Online    Evan H b 8 Dec 1885 @ St Fagan's. Parent: Evan

1891 Census Online    @ 80 Yew Street, Pentrebach, Merthyr  
Evan Morgan (45) b 1846 Merthyr  
Ellen (43) b 1848 Merthyr (2<sup>nd</sup> Marriage)?  
    John (21) b 1870 Merthyr  
    Margaret J (15) b 1876 Merthyr  
    Mary (7) b 1884 Glamorgan  
    Evan H Thomas (5) b 1886 Glamorgan, (Troedyrhew)  
    David H Thomas (2) b 1889 Glamorgan

### Forces War Records

Pte Evan Thomas – 11735 8<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.  
    (24) b: Merthyr    d: 14 Sep 1915 Gallipoli

Pte Evan Thomas – 54764 Royal Welsh Fusiliers - no

Pte Evan Thomas – 13919 Welsh Regiment – died of wounds 1915

Pte Evan Thomas – 40464 RWF – died of wounds 1917

Pte Evan Thomas – 61036 RWF – d: 1918

Pte Evan Thomas – 3/27303 SWB – d: 1916

Pte E H Thomas – 1294 Kings (Liverpool Regt.) – Acting Sgt – mentioned in despatches  
    1917

Pte E H Thomas – 75334 Royal Welsh Fusiliers (31) Service: 1yr 9mths

Sgt E H Thomas – 28495 Royal Welsh Fusiliers (21) Service: 1 yr 11 mths

Sgt E H Thomas – Welsh Regt.

Pte Evan Thomas – 12755 Welsh Regt.,                      b: New Tredegar  
    Kia 20 July 1916                      France & Flaunders

Pte Evan Thomas -70418 RWF – kia 26 Oct 1917

Pte Evan Thomas – 713 Welsh Guards – kia 10 Sep 1916 b: Risca

### Service Records

1918    *Evan Thomas (33) b 1885 Merthyr*  
        *M/4/16786 Royal Army Service Corps, 1<sup>st</sup> Company*

1920    EH Thomas, National Union of Teachers, Merthyr – War Record

## Pte John Thomas, Machine Gun Corps

**1901 Census Online** John (8) abt 1893 MT @ St Fagan's – Child in School

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Aberdare Training School Committee 10 Sep 1908

Page 160 Item No 565 – John Thomas b 1893

Mr John Northey, 36 Abernoel Street, Aberaman, Aberdare, appeared before the Committee and applied for a boy to work with him underground.

Satisfactory testimonials having been produced, the Committee recommend that John Thomas, aged 15 years, be allowed to go to Mr Northey for a month on trial, upon the usual conditions, subject to Superintendant visiting the home and finding same satisfactory.

### UM/1/35 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 22 Oct 1908

Item No 758 – John Thomas

The above named boys, who have been out for a month on trial, appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to remain where they had been placed. The persons to whom they had been sent also appeared and expressed satisfaction with the boys.

Resolved that Contracts be signed and outfits granted.

### UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 6 May 1909

Item No 109 – John Thomas

The Committee having been informed that John Thomas, who was taken out of the School by Mr John Northey to work with him underground, was working with another man.

Resolved that Mr Northey be asked to appear before the Committee at their next meeting.

### UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 20 May 1909

Item No 180 – John Thomas

Mrs Northey appeared before the Committee to make an explanation with reference made to the Committee that the boy John Thomas, who was taken from the School by her husband to work with him underground, was working with another man.

Mrs Northey stated that when the boy was applied for, it was her husband intention to take the boy to work with him underground, but that his place got out of repair and he had since been working as a Haulier and the boy had been working with his brother.

Resolved, explanation satisfactory.

### Glamorgan Family History Society – St John the Baptist, Dowlais - Baptisms 1839 -1925

Thomas, John	Edward (Collier) Jane	24 Feb 1895 – Dowlais
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### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

1127 - John Thomas b: 1894 Dowlais Admitted: 11 May 1902

**1902 Schools Online** John b 1894 @ St Fagan's - parent unknown

**1902 Schools Online** – John b 12 Jul 1894 @ Park School Aberdare. Father: Thos J Thomas

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John b: 1895 Merthyr Admitted: 13 Nov 1901 – mother in workhouse

Discharged: 7 Mar 1902 in service – Mr John Prowl, Gadlys, Aberdare

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Thomas, John (13) Merthyr Upper b: 1895

### UM/63/4 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John b: 1884 Merthyr Admitted: 17 Oct 1891

**1901 Census Online** John (14) b 1886 @ St Fagan's

**1892 Schools** – b 1888 Father: Amos Thomas – St Fagan's

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John Thomas

Discharged: 14 Apr 1902 to Infections Hospital

Returned: 29 Apr 1902

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Thomas, John - Admitted: 18 Apr 1900	Salv. Army	Discharged: 23 Mar 1903
Thomas, John – Admitted: 7 May 1902	CE	Discharged: 4 Aug 1906

### Glamorgan Family History Society – St John the Baptist, Dowlais - Baptisms 1839 -1925

Thomas, John	David (Lab) Mary	6 May 1885 – 22 Ivor Street, Dowlais
Thomas, John	Edwin (Haulier) Mary Ann	3 July 1892 - Dowlais
Thomas, John	James (Mason) Ann	7 Apr 1890 – Church Row
Thomas, John	John (Collier) Sarah Ann	7 Apr 1898 – Dowlais
Thomas, John Daniel	John (Mason) Jessie	23 Oct 1890 – 94 Ivor Street

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index – St Mary R C, Merthyr

Thomas, John – bap: 29 May 1900	F: Alfred	M: Mary (Lewis)
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### Forces War Records

Pte John Thomas – 187822 MGC – Service: 16 Feb 1916 – 14 Dec 1918  
Pte John Thomas – 127872 MGC – not Welsh  
Pte John Thomas – 14974 MGC – not Welsh  
Pte John Elwyn Thomas – 146776 MGC – Service: 11 Sep 1917 – 1 May 1919  
Wounded – Silver War Badge – 518486  
Pte J C Thomas – 16275 MGC – wounded Dec 1916  
Pte J Thomas – 15482 MGC - wounded 1917  
Pte J Thomas – 3442 MGC – Service: 2 yrs - Ailment: Nov 1916

**John Thomas** - b Aberdare – **32803** 13<sup>th</sup> Batt, Welsh Regt  
Died of Wounds – France & Flanders – 8/10/1916

### Aberdare Leader© Article

*'Cwmbach Man Falls in Action'. Mrs G Thomas, wife of Private John Thomas, of 6 Powell Road, Cwmbach has received information from the War Office that her husband has been killed in action. Pte Thomas was home on leave a few weeks ago and was killed in a week of returning to France. The following is an extract of a letter which Mrs Thomas received from the Captain of Pte Thomas's Battalion – "I am very sorry to say that your husband Pte **John Thomas 32803** Welsh Regiment, was brought into the Casualty Station very seriously wounded in the head and right hand on 8 Oct, the effects of an explosion of an enemy bomb, and he died almost immediately. I am glad to say that he was in no pain and unconscious to the last. You have my sincere sympathy but you have the great satisfaction of knowing that he died a brave man and that he had given his life for his King and Country. He is buried at the Military Cemetery at Rousbrugge, which is a very pretty one, and well cared for. Yours sincerely James R Hale, C F. Mrs Thomas has also received a letter of sympathy from His Majesty the King. Pte Thomas has three brothers serving with the Colours. [4 Nov 1916 Pg 7]*

## **Pte David Williams, 3<sup>rd</sup> W R - Killed July 1918**

[Also a **Pte David Williams** (no other info)]

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

797 David Williams b: 14 Mar **1881** Penywaun, Hirwain

Admitted: 21 Mar 1893 F: David (Collier)

### **Glamorgan Family History Society – St John the Baptist, Dowlais - Baptisms 1839 -1925**

Williams, David – David (Collier) Agnes – 30 Nov 1888 – 4 School Room Row

Williams, David Thomas – Charles (Collier) Mary – 25 Oct 1892 - Dowlais

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1093 – David Williams b: 14 July **1888** Porth

Admitted: 7 Jan 1901 from 16 Bill? - F: Thomas Williams (Collier)

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

David J Williams - b: **1889** Aberdare. Also Alice b: 1893 & Sarah b: 1894

Admitted: 2 Jun 1900 – Deserted.

David J Williams – Merthyr (Alice / Sarah / Nellie Williams)

Discharged: 3 Dec 1900

### **UM/1/41 – Children's Homes Committee 21 Jan 1915**

Page 526 Item 1953 – David J Williams

We recommend that this boy, who is of weak intellect, be sent to the School of the Aberdare UDC for such children, and that the case be reported with the Mental Deficiency Act.

### **UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 9 Nov 1916**

Page 785 – David J Williams (Mental Case)

The Superintendent reported that this boy was taken periodically to the workhouse to see his mother but was nearly always met on the way by the father. We instructed the Clerk to make enquiries as to whether the latter is contributing towards the support of his wife and child.

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

David Williams b: **1892** Merthyr

Admitted: 7 Oct 1899 – mother in workhouse

Discharged: 18 Jan 1900 – to Merthyr

David Williams b: 1892 & Tudor Williams b: 1891

Admitted: 24 Jan 1900 - mother in

workhouse

Discharged: 18 Jan 1900 David / Tudor Williams to Merthyr

David Williams b: 1892 Merthyr

Admitted: 22 Feb 1901 – parents unknown

## **1901 Census Online    David (8) abt 1893 @ St Fagan's**

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1137 - David Watkins Williams b 19 Sep **1895** Trecynon

Admitted: 1/9/02 from 10 Church Row - F: Evan (Collier)

### **UM/1/35 - Guardian Minutes Book 18 Apr 1908**

Page 4 Item No 8 – Adoption of Children

Margaret Williams committed to prison for one month re neglecting children. Father an inmate of Bridgend Asylum. David Rowland Williams (13); Elizabeth Mary Williams (12); Daniel Richard Williams (11); Ivor William Williams (8); Gwladys Williams (7).

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

(Pg 147) - David Rowland Williams b: 23 Feb **1895** @ 3 Llwynfen St, Merthyr

Admitted: 30 Mar 1908 from 14 Sunnybank, MT

School: 4 Apr 1908 F: William Williams M: Margaret Williams

Mother committed to gaol for 1 month for neglecting children. Father inmate at Bridgend Asylum.

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

David R Williams b 1895 (Eliz b 1892, Daniel b 1897, Ivor b 1899, Gwladys b 1900)

Admitted: 4 Apr 1908 – mother: Margaret, 14 Sunnybank, Merthyr

Discharged: 21 Aug 1909 in service Mr John (Thomas) Evans, 25 Gospel Hall Terrace, Aberdare

Admitted: 31 Dec 1909 – absconded from service and returned to school

Discharged: 31 Jan 1910 – to service – Messrs Davies Brose, Woollen Manufacturer, Llanybyther

**UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 11 Aug 1909**

Item No 537 – David Rowland Williams

Mr John Evans, 25 Gospel Hall Terrace, Trecynon, appeared before the Committee and applied for David Rowland Williams, aged 14 years, to work with him underground.

The boy having been interviewed by the Committee, it recommended that the boy be allowed to go out with Mr Evans on a month's trial.

**UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 23 Sep 1909**

Item No 696 – David Rowland Williams

Mr John Evans, 25 Gospel Hall Terrace, appeared before the Committee with the boy David Rowland Williams, who had been out with him for a month's trial.

The Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to stay with Mr Evans.

**UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 18 Nov 1909**

Item No 638 – David Rowland Williams

The Committee was informed that D R Williams had been taken away by his mother. The Committee instructed the Superintendent to endeavour to trace the boy and have him brought back to the School and recommended that the Clerk be asked to advise the Board with reference to taking proceedings against the mother.

**UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 2 Dec 1909**

Item No 1002 – David Rowland Williams

Resolved that the Police be instructed to arrest the boy and take him to the Workhouse.

**UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 13 Jan 1910**

Item No 1153 – David Rowland Williams

A letter was read from Messrs Davies Bros, Woollen Manufacturers, Llanybyther, applying for two boys to learn the woollen trade. The Committee recommend that DR Williams be sent for a month trial.

**UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 10 Feb 1909**

Item No 1232 – Children in Service (Superintendent's Visit)

The Superintendent reported that he had taken the boy David Rowland Williams to Llanybyther.

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 30 Nov 1911**

Page 293 Item No 1125 – Reports of Visits to Children in Service

The Superintendent reported that he had visited Griffith Barkley, David J Bramley and David R Williams, children placed out in service by this Board and found them to be comfortable and doing well.

**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1297 (Daniel David) b: 16 Jan 1901 Aberdare

Admitted: 30/8/09 from 2 Primrose Hill – F: Samuel Williams (Collier)

**UM/1/43 Children's Homes Committee 28 Sep 1916**

636 David Williams – Read letter from the Superintendent of St Mary's Schools, North Hyde, Southall, asking for permission for this boy to enlist in a Regimental Band, and also that he be supplied with the necessary clothing upon discharge. We recommend that the application be acceded to the Clerk to obtain particulars of the Clothing required.

**UM/1/44 Guardians Minutes – House Committee 9 Feb 1918**

1128 David Williams – joined Army Band from St Mary's, Southall. Is asking for discharge as mother very ill. Will not be 16 until next May (b: 1902)

**UM/1/44 Guardians Minutes – House Committee 14 Feb 1918**

1142 David Williams – not consented.

**EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

1318 – David Williams b: 9 Jun 1903 Aberdare

Admitted: 29 Aug 1910 from 22 Clive Place — F: William Williams (Collier)

## UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Williams, David - Admitted: 30 Jan 1900

Bap

Discharged: 2 Jun 1906

### Forces War Records

Pte David Williams – 23735 Welsh Regiment – kia 27 Aug 1917 France  
(35) b: **1882 Dowlais** Parents: David & Ann Williams, Upper Cross Row,  
Rhymney, Mon. Wife: Mary Ann Williams, 7 Gellydeg St., Maesycwmmmer,  
Cardiff

Sgt David James Williams – 241213 1<sup>st</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt., - died of wounds  
16 Apr 1917 Egypt. (24) b: **1893 Aberdare** Parents: Mr & Mrs D J  
Williams, 5 John St, Aberdare

Sgt David Edward Williams MM – 57286 13<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt., kia 8 Nov 1917  
(28) b: **1889 Merthyr**. Parent: Mrs Jane Williams, 8 Mill Terrace, Graig,  
Quakers Yard, Treharris

Pte David Williams – 45771 Welsh Regiment – kia 12 Apr 1918 – Welsh, North

Pte David Williams – 61435 Welsh Regt., kia 23 Mar 1918 – Welsh not Merthyr

Pte David Gwyn Williams – 31821 Welsh Regt., kia 1916 - Welsh not Merthyr

Pte David John Williams – 12439 Welsh Regt., - died 1916 – Welsh not Merthyr

Pte David John Williams – 200277 Welsh Regt., no

Pte David Williams – 17164 Welsh Regt., kia 10 July 1916 - no

Pte David Rees Williams – 32831 Welsh Regt., died of wounds 10 May 1915 - no

### WW1 Pension Records

David John Williams abt 1878 – Welsh Regt.,

David Rees Williams abt 1884 Aberdare – Welsh Regt.,



## **Pte Edward Williams, 2<sup>nd</sup> East Lancs. Regt.**

**1901 Census Online** Edward Williams (10) b 1891 & b 1892 (8) @ St Fagan's

### **EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register**

No: 1122 – Edward b: 26/12/90 Merthyr Admitted: 4/11/01 – Training School

**Glamorgan Family History Society – Parish Register Index** – St Fagan, Aberdare  
Williams, Edward bap: 3 May 1903 – Industrial School – parents unknown

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Edward b: 1891 Aberdare Admitted: 7 Aug 1897 – Parents unknown  
Admitted: 4 Sep 1897 – Parents unknown

### **UM/30/4 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

Edward Williams (8) son of Elias and Catherine  
Admitted: 5 Dec 1898 from: 2 Dale Court, Aberdare  
Admitted: 21 Dec 1898 Deserted

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Admitted: 14 Jan 1899 – mother in workhouse (Cath Williams)

### **UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

Edward Williams (8) son of Catherine (44) & Elias  
Admitted: 3 May 1899 from: Aberdare mother in prison  
Admitted: 8 Aug 1899 from: 2 Riverside, Merthyr Destitute  
Admitted: 18 Aug 1899 from: 2 Riverside, Merthyr Destitute

### **UM/63/5 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Admitted: 19 Aug 1899 – mother in workhouse

### **UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register**

Edward Williams (8) son of Catherine  
Admitted: 9 Sep 1899 Destitute  
Admitted: 18 Dec 1899 from Aberdare School

### **UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Discharged: 18 Dec 1899 to Merthyr  
Edward b 1892 Aberdare Admitted: 9 Apr 1900 – mother in workhouse  
Discharged: 12 Apr 1902 to Infections Hospital Returned: 29 Apr 1902

### **UM/1/45 – Children's Homes Committee 26 Sept 1918**

Item 1978 – Boys serving with the Colours

The Superintendent reported that Edward Williams paid a visit to the Homes a month ago. He was looking very well, and though he has been in the midst of the hardest fighting in the Western Front has escaped so far without a scratch.

### **Forces War Records**

Pte E Williams – 14323 B Company, 9<sup>th</sup> (Service) Batt., East Lancs. Regt.,

Service: 1yr 8mths - (20) – Ailment: Sprained ankle 6 May 1916

Pte E Williams – 14323 East Lancs. Regt., - DCM "For conspicuous gallantry in action. He carried messages across the open under heavy fire with great courage and skill. Later he carried a message over 1,000 yards across the open and returned". Gazette Date: 25 Nov 1916 Page: 11562

Cpl E Williams – 14322 East Lancs. – no

Pte E G Williams – 30695 East Lancs. – Ailment: Mar 1918

## Pte Emlyn Williams, Canadian Infantry

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Emlyn Williams b: 1895 Merthyr

Admitted: 17 Jan 1901 – mother in workhouse

**1901 Census Online** @ 40 Ynyscynon Street, Aberdare  
David Williams (65) b Merthyr – Head  
Benjamin (35) b Aberdare - Son  
Sarah A (33) Aberdare – Dau in law  
David J (9) b Aberdare – Grand son  
Emlyn (5) b 1896 Aberdare – Grand son  
Maggie (2) b Aberdare – Grand daughter

**1901 Census Online** Emlyn also Child attending School

**Glamorgan Family History Society** – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Williams, Emlyn (11) Merthyr Upper b: 1897

### UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 23 Sep 1909

Item No 694 – Emlyn Williams

Mr William Thomas Williams, 16 David Street, Aberaman, appeared and applied for Emlyn Williams, aged 14 years, to work with him underground.

The boy to be allowed out on a month's trial.

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

Emlyn Williams - Discharged: 4 Sep 1909

to service – Mr William T Williams, 16 David St, Aberdare

### UM/1/36 – Guardian Board Minutes – Children's Homes Committee 7 Oct 1909

Item No 756 – Emlyn Williams

Completed month's trial and expressed a desire to remain where he had been placed.

**1911 Census Online** @ 16 David St., Aberaman  
William Thomas Williams (34) Margaret (33)  
Doris G (9) Brinley (5)  
Emlyn Williams (15) b Merthyr Coal Miner/Hewer [From Training School  
Trevor Williams (14) b Merthyr at the age of 14]

### Canadian Online

(a) Outward Passenger Lists, 1890-1960

Emlyn Williams abt 1895 (19) Servant

Depart: 27 Jun 1914 – Liverpool Destination: Quebec, Canada

White Star Dominion Line – 106806 – Master: R O Jones

(b) Canadian Passenger Lists 1865-19

Emlyn Williams (19) Arrival: 5 July 1914 From: Liverpool To: Quebec  
Vessel: Canada

(c) US Border Crossing from Canada to US 1895-1956

Emlyn Williams (20) b: 1895 Wales

Arrival: Oct 1915 From: Montreal, Quebec

**Seems to have been in US during WW1, no records found of Emlyn joining Canadian Forces or military records back in UK.**

(d) Border Crossing from US to Canada

Emlyn Williams (21) abt 1897 (Should be aged 23)

Arrival: 22 May 1918 Bridgeburg, Canada

(e) Border Crossing from Canada to US

Emlyn Williams (20)      Residence: Canada      (Should be aged 24)  
Arrival: 24 Mar 1919      Niagara Falls, New York

(f) Boarder Crossing from US to Canada

Emlyn Williams (35)      (Should be 40)  
Arrival: 20 Aug 1935      Fort Erie, Ontario

## **Pte Henry A Williams**

[Brother: Richard T Williams]

**1901 Census Online** @ 8 Paget Street, Ynysylwl, Mountain Ash  
David Williams (31) b 1870 Cardiff - Collier  
Edith W (27) b 1874  
    Laban D (7) b 1895 Merthyr  
    Richard T (2) b 1899 Tylorstown  
    Henry A (2mths) b 1901 Ynysylwl

**1911 Census Online** @ Aberdare Industrial School  
Richard Thomas Williams (13) b 1898 Merthyr – Inmate School  
Henry Arthur Williams (11) b 1900 Merthyr – Inmate

### **UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 228 - Henry Arthur Williams b: 1900 @ 60 Picton Street, Merthyr  
F: David Williams (Haulier) M: Edith Williams  
Admitted: 16 Oct 1908 School: 20 Oct 1908  
Deserted by father, mother in prison.

### **UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admission & Discharge Register**

Henry A b 1900 Merthyr  
Admitted: 20 Oct 1908 – Father: David Williams, 60 Picton Street, Caedraw, MT  
Discharged: 10 Oct 1914 into service – Mr Thos Morris, 94 Bailey St

### **UM/1/40 – Children's Homes Committee 12 Jun 1913**

Page 85 – Henry A Williams – Mr David Jones, Graig Ina, Llanybyther  
This boy is getting on very well. He was having dinner when I called. They were all sitting down together. He is receiving his money regularly, and attends Church and Sunday School.

### **UM/1/43 – Children's Homes Committee 22 Jun 1916**

Page 213 – Boys in Service  
Report upon Henry A Williams, as to their progress in his situation respectively read.

### **Forces War Records**

Pte Henry Williams – 7308 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.,  
kia 6 Nov 1914 France & Flaunders  
b: Cardiff Resided: Porth

Pte Henry Williams – 46560 – 18<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.,  
kia 23 Nov 1917 France & Flaunders  
(24) b: 1893 Beaufort, Monmouth Resided: Brecon

**Online:** Poss. m - Mary A Holmes 1924 Merthyr

## Pte John Williams

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Williams, John - Admitted: 15 Aug 1905 CE      Discharged: 11 Sep 1905  
[poss. Siblings – Annie, Elizabeth & Alfred]  
Williams, John – Admitted: 13 Sep 1905 CE      Discharged: 12 Dec 1905

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John Williams b: 1901 Merthyr [Lizzie, Annie, Margaret]  
Admitted: 19 Dec 1907 – mother Annie Williams in workhouse

### UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register

John b 1901 [Annie b 1898, Maggie b 1904]  
Admitted: 27 Oct 1908 – Mother in w/h [Annie Williams]  
Discharged: 8 Nov 1909 to Infirmary for treatment – Ringworm

### WW1 Pension Records

John Williams (45) b Britton Ferry, Glam – Coal Miner  
14482, 24<sup>th</sup> SWB – joined 2 Sep 1914 – discharged as not likely to become an  
efficient soldier - 3 Nov 1914  
2 Llewellyn Street, Penygraig, Rhondda – wife Annie Whitehouse m 30 Sep 1928  
Children **John b 30/08/01 MT**, Margaret 5/3/04 MT & Harry b July 1912 Penygraig

### Forces War Records

Pte John Williams – 11206 – 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.,  
(18) b: 1897 Merthyr Vale      Resided: Pontypridd  
Kia - 18 Apr 1915 France & Flanders  
Parents: John & Annie M Williams, 27 Furnall Rd, Pontygwaith (Rhondda)

### 1911 Census Online @ 27 Furnace Road, Pontygwaith, Rhondda

John Williams (45) Collier      Annie Marie Williams (41)  
John (16) b 1895 Collier Assistant, Edward Thomas (14), George Henry (10), Lizzie Mary  
(9), Daniel Clifford (4)

### Soldiers Died in the Great War

Pte John Williams, 11206, 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.  
b Merthyr Vale      kia 18 Apr 1915      France & Flanders

### Medal Rolls Index Cards

Pte John Williams, 11206 1<sup>st</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.  
'15 Star, British War & Victory Medals      16 May 1915

### Soldiers Died in the Great War

Pte John Williams, 9437 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.  
b Dowlais      kia 31 Oct 1914      France & Flanders

### Medal Rolls Index Cards

Pte John Williams, 9437 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.  
'14 Star, British War & Victory Medals      13 Aug 1914

### Forces War Records

Pte John Williams – 2716 – 1<sup>st</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.,  
Resided Town: Aberdare      Died of Wounds – 20 Aug 1915 – Gallipoli  
Roll of Honour – Private, 2716, 1<sup>st</sup> Battn, Welsh Regt., b Aberdare, Glam, 23 May 1886,  
educ Aberdare Council School, volunteered and enlisted 30 Sept 1914, served with the  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force at the Dardanelles, and was killed in action 20 Aug  
1915. A Sergeant wrote: "The men were in the trenches preparing to charge when Private  
Williams lifted his head above the parapet and was immediately shot by a Turkish sniper".

**Pte Richard T Williams, 1<sup>st</sup> /4<sup>th</sup> Welsh Regt.**

[Brother: Henry A Williams]

**1901 Census Online** @ 8 Paget Street, Ynysylwl, Mountain Ash  
David Williams (31) b Cardiff – Collier & Edith (27)  
Laban D (7) b 1895 Merthyr  
Richard T (2) b 1899 Tylorstown  
Henry A (2mths) b 1901 Ynysylwl

**UM/66/1 – Industrial School Children's History Book**

Pg 227 - Richard Thomas Williams – b: 22 Oct 1897 @ 60 Picton Street, Merthyr  
F: David Williams (Haulier) M: Edith Williams  
Admitted: 16 Oct 1908 School: 20 Oct 1908

**UM/63/8 – Industrial School Admittance & Discharge Register**

Richard T - b 1897 Merthyr  
Admitted: 20 Oct 1908 - Father: David Williams, 60 Picton Street, Caedraw, MT  
Discharged: 28 Oct 1911 – Richard Mills, 11 King St, Aberaman  
Re-Admitted: 21 Nov 1911 from Aberaman  
Discharged: 2 Feb 1912 – D Jones, Llanybyther

**1911 Census Online** @ Aberdare Industrial School  
Richard Thomas Williams (13) b 1898 Merthyr – Inmate School  
Henry Arthur Williams (11) b 1900 Merthyr – Inmate

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 19 Oct 1911**

Page 238 Item No 909 – Richard Thomas Williams  
Mr Mills, 11 King Street, Aberaman appeared before the Committee and applied for the boy, Richard Thomas Williams, to work underground with him.  
The Committee recommend that Richard Thomas Williams be allowed to go out to Mr Mills for a month on trial upon the usual conditions.

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 21 Mar 1912**

Page 470 Item No 1808 – Richard Thomas Williams  
Read letter from Mr David Jones, Graig Ina Factory, Llanybyther, stating that he was quite satisfied with Richard Thomas Williams, who had been with him for a month on trial, and that the boy desired to remain with him.  
The Committee recommend that the boy be allowed to stay with Mr Jones and that the usual Contract be signed and outfit granted.

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 4 Apr 1912**

Page 490 Item No 1894 – Richard Thomas Williams  
Read letter from Mr David Jones, Graig Ina Factory, Llanybyther, asking to what age the boy Richard Thomas Williams was to remain with him.  
The Committee recommend that they boy be allowed to remain with Mr Jones until he is 18 years of age, and that a proper Indenture be drawn up and signed.

**UM/1/38 – Children's Homes Committee 18 Apr 1912**

Page 514 Item No 1965 – Richard Thomas Williams  
Read letter from Mr David Jones, Graig Ina Factory, Llanybyther, stating that he was prepared to pay Richard Thomas Williams 1/- a week for the 1<sup>st</sup> year and 2/- a week for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> years.  
The Committee recommend that the Indenture be drawn up accordingly.

**Forces War Records**

Pte R T Williams – 21867 – 10<sup>th</sup> (Service) Batt., (1<sup>st</sup> Rhondda) Welsh Regt., B Company,  
38<sup>th</sup> Division - (26) – Service: 1 yr 6 mths – Ailment: Gun shot wound to left foot

Pte Richard Williams – 30494 – 10<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt., (173<sup>rd</sup> Tunnelling Company, Royal  
Engineers) – b: Treharris, Glam  
Died of Wounds – 1 July 1917 – France & Flaunders

Pte Richard Williams – 34841 – 13<sup>th</sup> Batt., Welsh Regt.,

(28) b: 1888 Llangeitho, Cardigan  
Died of Wounds – 21 Feb 1916 France & Flaunders  
Pte Richard Williams – 57984 – Machine Gun Corps  
Service: 10 Nov 1915-28 Jun 1919 Silver War Badge: 517545

**Medal Rolls Index Cards**

Pte 1064 & 200406, 4<sup>th</sup> Welsh Regt., Victory, British & '15 Star  
First served in (2B) Balkans – 8 Oct 1915 D/E 27 July 1919

Pte 29206, Welsh Regt., & Pte 105800, 43<sup>rd</sup> Batt., Royal Fusiliers  
'15 Star (France 2 Dec 1915)

Pte 1990, Royal Welsh Fusiliers (A, P C – 12789) Victory & British

**Online** - d: Mar 1961 Pontypridd

## Pte Thomas Wright, Royal Engineers

Online - b: 15 Aug 1892      d: Dec 1970 Pontypridd

### UM/64/1 – Creed Register

Wright, Thomas H - Admitted: 30 Oct 1899	Bap	Discharged: 30 Mar 1902
Wright, Thomas – Admitted: 18 Apr 1900	Bap	Discharged: 2 Dec 1907

### UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Thomas Henry Wright (7)      son of Walter & Margaret (27)  
Admitted: 30 Oct 1899 from: 2 Evan Street, Treharris      Deserted  
[Annie (6), Sarah (3), Johnny (14mths)]

### UM/63/6 – Industrial School Admission Register

Thomas H Wright b: 1892 Merthyr  
Admitted: 30 Oct 1899 mother in workhouse [Sarah b 1893]  
Discharged: 30 Mar 1900 to Merthyr [Sarah]  
Admitted: 18 Apr 1900 – mother in workhouse

### UM/30/5 – Merthyr Union Workhouse Admission Register

Thomas Wright (8)      son of Mary [Annie (7), Lady (4)]  
Admitted: 11 Apr 1900      from Evan Street, Treharris

1901 Census Online      Thomas Wright (8) abt 1893 Child in School, Cwmdare, Aberdare

### EA/7/7 – Aberdare School Boys Register

No: 1193 – Thomas b: 23 May 1891 Merthyr      Admitted: 10 Oct 1904 – Training School

### UM/1/4 - Aberdare Training School Committee Minutes 1907 – 1908

878 – The Superintendant reported that Mr Walter Parrish, Colliery Proprietor, Aberdare, was prepared to employ the boy Thomas Wright, aged 15 years in the Weighing Machine office, at a commencing salary of 12s a week. Resolved: boy to be given a month's trial, subject to satisfactory home being found for him. [21 Nov 1907]

991 – Read letter from Mr Walter J Parrish stating that the boy, Thomas Wright, who had been with him for a month's trial, suited him very well and confirming the arrangement to pay him a salary of 12s a week, and to increase it to 15s a week in three months time.

The Superintendant reported that he had succeeded in finding suitable lodgings for the boy. The boy appeared before the Committee and expressed a desire to remain with Mr Parrish. Resolved: usual Contract be signed and outfit granted. [19 Dec 1907 Pg 259]

### Glamorgan Family History Society – Merthyr Union Book 2 – 27 Mar 1908

Aberdare Training School – Wright, Thomas (15) Merthyr Lower b: 1893

1911 Census Online      @ 11 Cledwyn Terrace, Trecynon, Aberdare  
Philip Davies (33) b 1878 Aberdare – Coal Miner  
Elizabeth Davies (34) b 1877 Pontywain & 3 children  
Thomas Wright (17) b 1894 Treharris – Boarder - Engineer (Colliery)

### Medal Rolls 1914-1920

Royal Engineers – 35316 – Victory, British & '15 Star (France 3 Sep 1915)

### Forces War Records

Cpl, 58052 – no      Sapper T Wright, 132796 (43) – too old  
Sapper T Wright – 60 – (29) – 12 yrs service – 1916 – 1/2<sup>nd</sup> Durham Field Company – no  
Sapper T W Wright – Service = 23/01/1914 – 23/01/19 – Plumber with Port of London  
Authority

Driver T B Wright – no

Act. Sgt. T C Wright – 208681 – MSM

Pte Thomas Wright – RME/5676/S – Royal Marine Engineers





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UM/63/6	1899 – 1903		

##### Creed Roll

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UM/1/27	Jan 1899 – Oct 1900	UM/1/39	1912 - 1913
UM/1/28	Nov 1901 – Nov 1902	UM/1/40	1913 - 1914
UM/1/29	Nov 1902 – Dec 1903	UM/1/41	1914 - 1915
UM/1/30	Jan 1904 – Jan 1905	UM/1/42	1915 - 1916
UM/1/31	Feb 1905 – Feb 1906	UM/1/43	1916 - 1917
UM/1/32	Feb 1906 – Dec 1906	UM/1/44	1917 - 1918
UM/1/33	Dec 1906 – Apr 1907	UM/1/45	1918 - 1919

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UM/30/2	1887 – 1893	UM/30/8	1906 - 1908
UM/30/3	1894 – 1897	UM/30/9	1908 - 1910
UM/30/4	1897 - 1899	UM/30/10	1910 - 1912
UM/30/5	1899 - 1901	UM/30/11	1913 - 1916
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