

First World War Service Record of Robert Aubrey Hildyard

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Register No.

132602

28 DEC 1916

Minute Sheet No.

S/Lieutenant R.A. Hildyard,
Royal Lancaster Regiment.

"Killed in action, 20th December, 1916".

Next of Kin :-

Major H.R. Hildyard (Father),
1st Garrison Bn. Leicester Regiment,
Easington,
Hull.

M.S.3. (Cas.)

27.12.16.

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Casualty Form—Active Service.

Regiment or Corps The King's Own Regiment Regimental Number 132602
Rank Private Surname Hildyard Christian Name P. A.
Religion _____ Age on Enlistment _____ years _____ months.
Enlisted (a) _____ Terms of Service (a) _____ Service reckons from (a) _____
Date of promotion to present rank _____ Date of appointment to lance rank _____
Extended { } Re-engaged { } Qualification (b) _____
or Corps Trade and Rate _____
Signature of Officer i/c Records. _____

Report		Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, &c., during active service, as reported on Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 26, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place of Casualty	Date of Casualty	Remarks Taken from Army Form B. 213, Army Form A. 26, or other official documents
Date	From whom received				
		Embarked ...		20-7-16	B213
		Disembarked...			
	A. G. G. N. C.	Ported to 1st Battalion			List 200
	06 1st Battalion	Joined 1st Bn for Duty	On 1st Field	27-7-16	B213
	87th Amb.	P.O. A.O.	Admitted	6-9-16	A36(2958)
	10 Gas Bty Str	Influenza	"	7-9-16	
		Discharged to Duty		8-9-16	A36(2972)
	06 1st Batta	Rejoined from hospital	"	9-9-16	B213
	"	Killed in action	"	20-12-16	A61278 at 20 1/2

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TO { Mr Hildyard The Peak Hythe }
Deputy Agent - Inform you that - 2 Lt - RA
Hildyard Royal Lance in killed in action
December twenty. The Army Council express
their sympathy

FROM { 2111 RA }
The Name and Address of the Sender, IF NOT TO BE TELEGRAPHED, should be written in the space provided at the Back of the Form.

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(Signature)

Dated Stamp.

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TO

Major H. R. Hildyard
1st East Devon Recce. Coy
Easington Hall.

Deeply regret to inform you that 2 Lt. R. A.
Hildyard, Royal Recon. Coy. was killed in
action December twenty. The Army Council
express their sympathy.

FROM

S. M. O.

NOT TO BE TELEGRAPHED, should be written in the space provided at the back of the form.

1st Lt. H. S. Gyn. Leicesters Regt.
Easington
Hull.

28/5/17



Sir,

I regret I should have omitted to return
the enclosed paper earlier,

I shall be much obliged if the
amount £10/17/6 can be paid to my wife's
account Mr. E. V. Hildyard at The London
County & Westminster Bank, Hylke, Kent.

I am Sir,

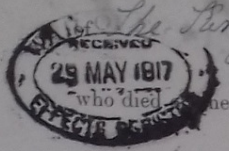
Your obedient servant.

A. B. Hildyard.

The said 2nd Lt. R. A. Hildyard
was born at Aylesbury, Bucks.
A. B. Hildyard

Signature

I, Major H. P. Hildyard, Gx Lancaster Regt
 declare that 2nd Lt. R. A. Hildyard



The Kingston Royal Lancaster Regt
 on the 20th day of December 1917

If no Will was left
 insert "no" before
 "Will," and strike out
 the words in brackets.
 Any Will which it is
 not intended to prove
 should be forwarded
 for inspection.

left no Will [which it is not intended to prove], and that Letters of
 Administration of this Estate or Confirmation have not been, and are not
 intended to be, taken out.

The only near relations left by the said 2nd Lt. R. A. Hildyard
 were as follows:—

Relationship	Names in full	Addresses in full
Widow	<u>None</u>	
Children	<u>None</u>	Age
Other relations		
<u>Mother</u>	<u>Edith Vivian</u> <u>Hildyard</u>	<u>The Peak,</u>
<u>Father</u>	<u>Harry Robert</u> <u>Hildyard</u>	<u>Lythe</u> <u>Leint.</u>

Insert
 "None" if
 that is the
 fact in
 either case.

Give
 degree of
 relation-
 ship.

The said 2nd Lt. R. A. Hildyard
 was born at Aylesbury, Bucks.

H. P. Hildyard

Signature of the Applicant.

CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that the above Statement made by Major H. P. Hildyard
 and signed in my presence is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated at Easington this 4th day of May 1917

Signature of Minister
 or Magistrate } W. Holt

Qualification Clerk-in-Chief

Address Easington
Hull.



17 (CARB) 85 LEICESTERSHIRE REGT.

1st Gm Leicesters Regt.
Easington,
Hull.

26-1-17.

Sir,

Please forward my sons effects to
the address on enclosed form;

The above address will find me
for any further correspondence.

Yours faithfully
A.R. Hildyard

Signature

A.R. Hildyard
Father

Capacity in which signing

Date

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FIELD SERVICE.

REPORT of Death of an Officer to be forwarded to the War Office with the least possible delay after receipt of notification of death on Army Form B. 213 or Army Form A. 36 or from other official documentary sources.

REGIMENT } 1st Bn. The King's Own Squadron,
or (Royal Lancaster Regiment) Troop, Battery
CORPS } or Company } =====

Rank SECOND LIEUTENANT.

Name R. A. HILDYARD.

DIED { By whom reported O.C. 1st Bn The King's Own (R. Lanc. R.)
Date of Death 20th December, 1916.
Place or Hospital In the Field, FRANCE.
Cause of Death Killed in Action.
Place of Burial Not reported.

State whether he leaves } Not received.
a will or not. }

All private documents and effects received from the front or hospital, should be examined, and if any will is found it should be at once forwarded to the War Office.

Any information received as to verbal expressions by a deceased Officer of his wishes as to the disposal of his estate should be reported to the War Office as soon as possible.

Signature of Officer in charge } *An Buschell* Captain, for
of Section Adjutant-General's } Lieut-Colonel,
Office at the Base. Officer i/c Regular Infantry Section No.1
General Headquarters, 3rd. Echelon.

Station and Date Base 24th December, 1916.

NOTED ON CARD

26.6.15.

Form M

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Form of Particulars

(To be filled up by the candidate in his own handwriting and countersigned by his parent or guardian.)

Here insert
name of school.

Of a candidate recommended by the Headmaster of
 (1) Malvern College for nomination by the
 Army Council to a cadetship at the Royal Military College or Royal Military Academy.

1. Name in full { Surname Christian names	Hildyard Robert Aubrey.
2. Permanent address in the United Kingdom, where communications should be sent.	The Peak Hythe Kent.
3. Date and place of birth. (A certificate of birth is to be attached, unless one has already been forwarded, in which case state date, and for what purpose.)	4 th August 1897 Aylesbury Bucks
4. Whether the son of a British born or naturalized British subject.	Son of British born subject
5. Whether of pure European descent.	Yes.
6. Name in full, and profession, of father, and whether of English, Scotch, Welsh, Irish or foreign family. In the last case state nationality.	Harry Robert Hildyard Captain in English army. English family.
7. Whether father is still living.	Yes
8. Particulars of the military or naval services, if any, of near relations of the candidate.	Father, Captain 10 th West Riding Rgt Grand Father Diplomatic Service.
9. Educational history of the candidate since the age of 10 years, with the names of the schools attended and periods of attendance at each.	Leas Court Folkestone till 1911. Malvern College till 1915

Form of Recommendation.

(To be filled in by the Headmaster of the school recommending the candidate for nomination.)

1. Name of school.	Malvern College
2. Name of candidate in full { Surname Christian names	Kildyard Robert Andrew
3. Dates between which the candidate has been continuously in residence at the school.	1911 to March 1915
4. In which form in the school is the candidate? Give his place in the form, the average age of the form, and the number of pupils composing it.	He was in Army Form II. place 5 th out of 26 (The top boys would qualify for Sandhurst)
5. Do you concur in the statement of the Officer Commanding the School Contingent (Form M. T. 291) as to the candidate's work as a member of the Officers Training Corps?	Yes.

The Headmaster is earnestly requested to exercise the greatest care in giving the following confidential information concerning the candidate, and to bear in mind the importance of the public interests involved in the nomination of a gentleman to a prospective commission in His Majesty's Service.

In judging the suitability of a candidate from an educational point of view, the nature of the course of instruction at the Royal Military Academy or Royal Military College should be borne in mind.

It will be observed that nearly all the subjects studied at the Royal Military Academy or Royal Military College will be new to the candidate; his capacity of profiting by the course and reaching the required standard can thus only be gauged by his general intelligence and industry.

The nomination of a candidate who is unable to meet the standard of "moral" and education necessary for an officer in His Majesty's Service, can only result in his failure at the Royal Military Academy or Royal Military College, thereby causing disappointment to himself, unnecessary expense to his parents, and discredit to his school.

6. Is the candidate, in your opinion, educationally qualified to undergo the course of instruction at the Royal Military { Academy? }
College? }

Yes

N.B.—No candidate should be recommended for the Royal Military Academy unless he has attained such a standard of knowledge as would enable him to qualify in mathematics (a) and (b), and in science at the Army Entrance Examination.

7. Is he neat-handed and likely to make a fair draughtsman?

Probably

8. Give your opinion of the candidate's moral character.

Good.

9. Is the candidate a leader among his contemporaries, and does he exert a good influence with his comrades?

a good influence, but not a leader, partly from lack of size.

10. What special characteristics does the candidate exhibit?

great enthusiasm and energy.

11. Does the candidate occupy any prominent positions in school life?

no.

12. Do you consider the candidate equal or superior to the average of his contemporaries in character, common sense, reliability, and leadership?

Equal.

13. If the candidate's age will admit of his being recommended by you on some future occasion, do you consider that he would benefit by a further period at your school?

no.

14. Do you consider that the candidate, if commissioned, will be a credit to his school?

yes.

15. Give any information not covered by your answers to the above questions which will throw light on the characteristics, capabilities, and character of the candidate.

I recommended this candidate last Autumn, but he was not accepted because of his height then.

I am of opinion that R. A. Hibbard^{*} is in every respect suitable for nomination to a cadetship at the Royal Military College[†] and I can confidently recommend him as likely to make an efficient officer in His Majesty's regular army.

Signature of Headmaster

Frank S. Weston.

Full name of school

Malvern College

Date

8 June 25-15

^{*} Insert name of candidate.

[†] Insert "Academy" or "College."

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M. T.
Form 348a.

REPORT of a Medical Board assembled at Londra on Aug 24 19 11 by order of
Office for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the physical fitness of the undermentioned Candidate for a commission in the Army.

NAME	Age last birthday	Height (inches)	Chest-girth (inches)		Weight (lbs.)	Hearing	Teeth	Vision	Colour Vision	Remarks as to fitness or otherwise
			Max.	Min.						
Robert. Aubrey. Hildyard, The Peak, Hlythe Kent.	18 years.	63	35 1/2	30	109			RE = 6/6 LE = 6/6. near vision normal. Satisfactory	normal	1 inch under close Is likely to develop to standard by the time he will be appointed to a commission fit

We have examined this candidate in accordance with the Instructions
for the Physical and Medical Examination of Candidates for
Commissions in the Regular Army, and the above is our report.

Signatures

Frankie A. Toole President.
J. H. Roper Capt. R.R.C. Members.
W. S. Roper Capt. R.R.C.