

First World War Service Record of Robert William Millington Dewhurst

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Register No. 26735/2

Minute Sheet No. 1

Lieut. R.W.M. Dewhurst,
5th Wiltshire Regiment.

907.

Died of Wounds, 26th April, 1915.

Next of Kin :-

Mrs. F.F. Dewhurst, (Mother)
Littlecote,
Amersham Hill,
High Wycombe.

M.S.3.Cas.
8.5.16.

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Send 75/- to circulate for claim

no effs. I write Mrs. Dewhurst about 5/-
Tigres base.

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No claims.

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Assess Gratuity, please

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July 2

Can you please say on this date the
Officer embarked for home. It is not clear
as having embarked with the other officers of the
on 14 or 16 Feb.

(This form is to be used for a cadet or ex-cadet of the Senior Division,
Officers Training Corps, or a member of a University).

Form M.T.
393 should be used for other candidates.

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO A TEMPORARY COMMISSION IN
THE REGULAR ARMY FOR THE PERIOD OF THE WAR.

**The Candidate will complete the following particulars and submit this form to the
Officers Training Corps or University Authorities.*

1. Name (in full)	Surname Christian Names	Dewhurst Robert William Mellington
2. Date of birth		July 14 th 1895
3. Whether married		No
4. Whether of pure European descent		Yes
5. Whether a British born or a naturalised British subject		British Born
6. Permanent address		Littlecote Amesham Hill High Wycombe
7. Present address for correspondence		Littlecote Amesham Hill High Wycombe
8. Whether now serving, or previously served, in any other Government Department (Home, Indian or Colonial). If so, give particulars		No
9. Whether able to ride		No

Malvern 5 years (Corp.)

Baptism solemnised at Christ Church, Singapore in the Diocese of Fookhow.

When Baptised.			Child's Christian Name.		Sex.	Parents' Names.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom Baptised.
						Christian.	Surname.			
Year.	Month.	Day.	Year.	Month.	Day.					
1895	Sept.	12	1895	July	4	Robert William Millington	son of	Robert Paget Dewhurst Campore	Civil Service	A. Crookwaite S.P.G. Missionary

I certify that the above is a correct extract taken from the Register of Christ Church, Singapore.

this *fourth* day of *September* 19*13*.

by me.

B. B. P. Allen

Gonda
Gund
India

18th August 1916

Mr. R. P. D. emburett presents
his compliments to the
Military Secretary, and
begs to thank him for the
information contained in
his letter of the 24th
July 1916 (M.S. 3. Cas)
relating to the grave of
Lieut R. W. M. D. emburett
in the Anara Cemetery.

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POST OFFICE TELEGRAPHS. 476/33 ag

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Code _____ (Inland Official)

Office of Origin and Service Instructions. O. H. M. S.

Words. Sent

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To _____

By _____

I certify that this Telegram is sent on the service of the

(Signature) *W O*

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Dated Stamp.

TO { *Basualtes Simla*

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<i>Lord</i>	<i>address</i>	<i>Gunda</i>	<i>and</i>	<i>sympathy</i>
<i>James</i>				

FROM { SECRETARY, WAR OFFICE.

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TO { *Mr Dewhurst Littlewick Amersham Hill*
High Wycombe

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<i>James</i>				<i>Father</i>

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TO ~~General~~ Chief India

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Head	SSR 1/2	21/22 April	Tigres	line
Father	R. F.	Deochurest	Souda	Outch

FROM SECRETARY, WAR OFFICE.

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ARMY DEPT.

Delhi, the 23rd

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23rd February, 1917.

Sir,

I have it in command from His Majesty the King to inform you, as next of kin of the late

LIEUTENANT ROBERT WILLIAM MILLINGTON DEWHURST of the Wiltshire Regiment, that this Officer was mentioned in a Despatch from Lieutenant General Sir Percy Lake dated 24th August 1916, and published in the Third Supplement to the "London Gazette" of 17th dated 19th October 1916, for gallant and distinguished service in the Field.

I am to express to you the King's high appreciation of these services, and to add that His Majesty trusts that their public acknowledgment may be of some consolation in your bereavement.

I have the honour to be,
Your obedient Servant,

(La) M. D. Graham
Colonel,
Assistant Military Secretary.

Dewhurst, Esq:
Gouda,
Oudh,
India.

GONDA, Oudh.

27th October 1916.

Sir,

I have the honour to request you to pay to me the pay due to my son, the late Lieutenant R.W.M. Dewhurst of the 5th Wiltshire Regiment from the 16th February 1916 up to the date of his death, which took place in Mesopotamia from wounds received in action on the 26th April 1916 at 10 p.m.

I enclose a copy of a letter received from my son's Bankers, Messrs. Cox & Co, which will explain why I am making this application to you.

My son was not of age at the time of his death, being 20 years and 9 months old. He was, of course unmarried; and left no will.

I have, &c.,

(Sd.) R.P. DEWHURST, I.C.S.

District & Sessions Judge,

Gonda, Oudh.

The Divisional Disbursing Officer,

P o o n a.

Under Secretary to the Government of India,
Accountant General's Department,
India Office,
Whitehall.
S.W.

COPY.

16, Charing Cross,

London, S.W.

4th October, 1916.

Sir,

re Lieut. R.W.M. Dewhurst, 5/Wilts. Regt.

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 9th ultimo enclosing form of indemnity duly signed, for which we thank you. The balance in our hands, however, is now only £24-15-8 as the War Office requested us to refund to them Pay from 16th February - 31st March 1916, and in addition to this we paid a cheque for £5-0-0, which the late Mr. Dewhurst had cashed with Messrs. T. Cook & Son, and which was lost in the Ville de la Ciotat.

This sum we are paying as directed. You should communicate with the Divisional Disbursing Officer at Poona, as it would appear that there is Pay due from Indian sources from 16th February to date of death.

We are, &c.,

(SD.) COX & CO.

R.P. DEWHURST, Esq. I.C.S.,
District & Sessions Judge,
Gonda, Oudh, India.

Secretary to the Government of India,
India Office,
Whitehall.

Under Secretary of State for India,
Accountant General's Department,
India Office,
Whitehall.
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5th. (S) Bn. Wiltshire Regiment.
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7.2.27/6*

Lieut. R.W.M. Dewhurst.

(Date. 26/4/16.
Died. { Place. 23. S.H. Amara. Mesopotamia.
(Cause of Death. Died of Wounds received in Action.

Place of Burial. Information not available, but will be
forwarded if obtained.
Noted

Busra.
16/5/16.

EB Lang
Colonel.
A.A.G.
A.G.'s Office at the Base. *AP/5*
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