

Wittenberg POW Typhus Epidemic 1914-15



Memorial at Wittenberg erected by Officers and men to honour the soldiers who died during the Typhus Epidemic 1914-1915 in the POW Camp there.

Those from the Highland Light Infantry engraved on the memorial are;

11575 Pte D Macarthur (died 18.02.15)

Pte J McLaughlin

11889 Pte J McWalters (died 11.04.15) initial on memorial is W

10358 Pte J Meadows (died 15.04.15)

11232 Pte J Stewart (died 20.02.15) initial on memorial is I

The President,
Government Committee on the Treatment by
the Enemy of British Prisoners of War

Central Military Hospital
Fort Pitt Chatham
23rd April 1919

Sir,

As requested I have the honour to submit the following names of NCO's, men and civilians for recognition for work done during the Typhus epidemic at Wittenburg Camp, Saxon, Germany.

All these men worked in the Wards during the Typhus epidemic and were volunteers for this dangerous duty. Those above the line I would specially bring to your notice for the excellence and devotion of their work.

No. 5994	Cpl.	LONG. Edward	L.N.L.)	
8249	L/c	ALMOND. Percy	L.N.L.)	
10368	L/c	McDONALD. Arthur	18/R. Irish)	
3104	Pte	WRIGHT. Phillip	L.N.L.)	
3705	Pte	GORMLEY. John	L.N.L.)	DIED
9471	Pte	JACKSON. William	Middlesex)	OF
-----	Pte	RAMSAY. George	Cameron's)	TYPHUS
6927	Pte	RENNELLS. William	S. Lancs.)	
10786	Pte	WARD. Joseph	L.N.L.)	
15289	Sgt	RODMAN. Harry	R.A.M.C.		
2880	Cpl	SPENCE. Allan	2/Scots. Gds		
10871	Cpl.	AUSTIN. Henry	L.N.L.		
9105	Cpl	TAYLOR. Taylor	18/R.Irish		
16224	Pte	CONSTABLE. George	R.A.M.C.		
7372	Pte	COURTMAN. John	Scots. Gds		
8858	Bdr	HARRISON. Frederick	Northumberland Fusiliers;		
		R.W. LOVIBOND, Esq	West Jesmond House, Newcastle-on-Tyne		

No. 1466 Cpl TOON. Elijah Leicestershire Yeo.
1285 Cpl WORTHINGTON Ernest L.N.L.
14765 L/c BRAND William R.M.L.I.
10393 L/c DOLPHIN Joseph R.W.F.
11026 L/c MOLLOY Robert L.N.L.
** 10420 L/c MESSAM George H.L.I.
** 11917 L/c TEW Ernest H.L.I.

2026	L/c	WALSH Egbert	L.N.L.
9156	Pte	ASTON A	Queens. R.W.K.
10204	Pte	BRAMLEY James	R. Fusrs
2133	Rfm	BYNG Noel C	Queens Westminster
9045	Pte	DAVIS Henry	K.O.Y.L.I.
2178	Pte	FELSTED Henry E	R.A.M.C.
1401	Rfm	GOUDE Herbert	Queens Westminster
7648	Pte	GARRATT William	Cheshires
1642	Pte	GERRARD George	L.N.L.
**11617	Pte	GRAHAM David	H.L.I.
6579	Pte	MILLER John	R.S.F.
**11656	Pte	McLEOD Norman	H.L.I.
4081	Pte	MATHERS Robert	L.N.L.
**11688	Pte	McKENZIE John	H.L.I.
6389	Pte	PERKINS Bertie	Camerons
6648	Pte	POINTON William	Cheshires
6090	Pte	PEARS George	2/Warwicks
67734	Dvr	ROBERTS George	R.F.A.
9321	Rfm	ROSE William	K.R.R.
6031	Pte	SHEPHERD Joseph	Cheshires
10560	Pte	SHAMBROOK Thomas	L.N.L.
6712	Pte	WELLS George	Cheshires
9857	Pte	WILLIAMS George	Leinsters
		William SHILSON Esq	16, Finnis Hill, Dover Kent

Further I would specially mention **No. 5170 Sgt MILLER Thomas Highland light Infantry. He was of the greatest possible use to me as regards discipline and further he distributed parcels and clothing and I placed him in charge of this when I left the Camp. I consider his conduct worthy of the highest praise.

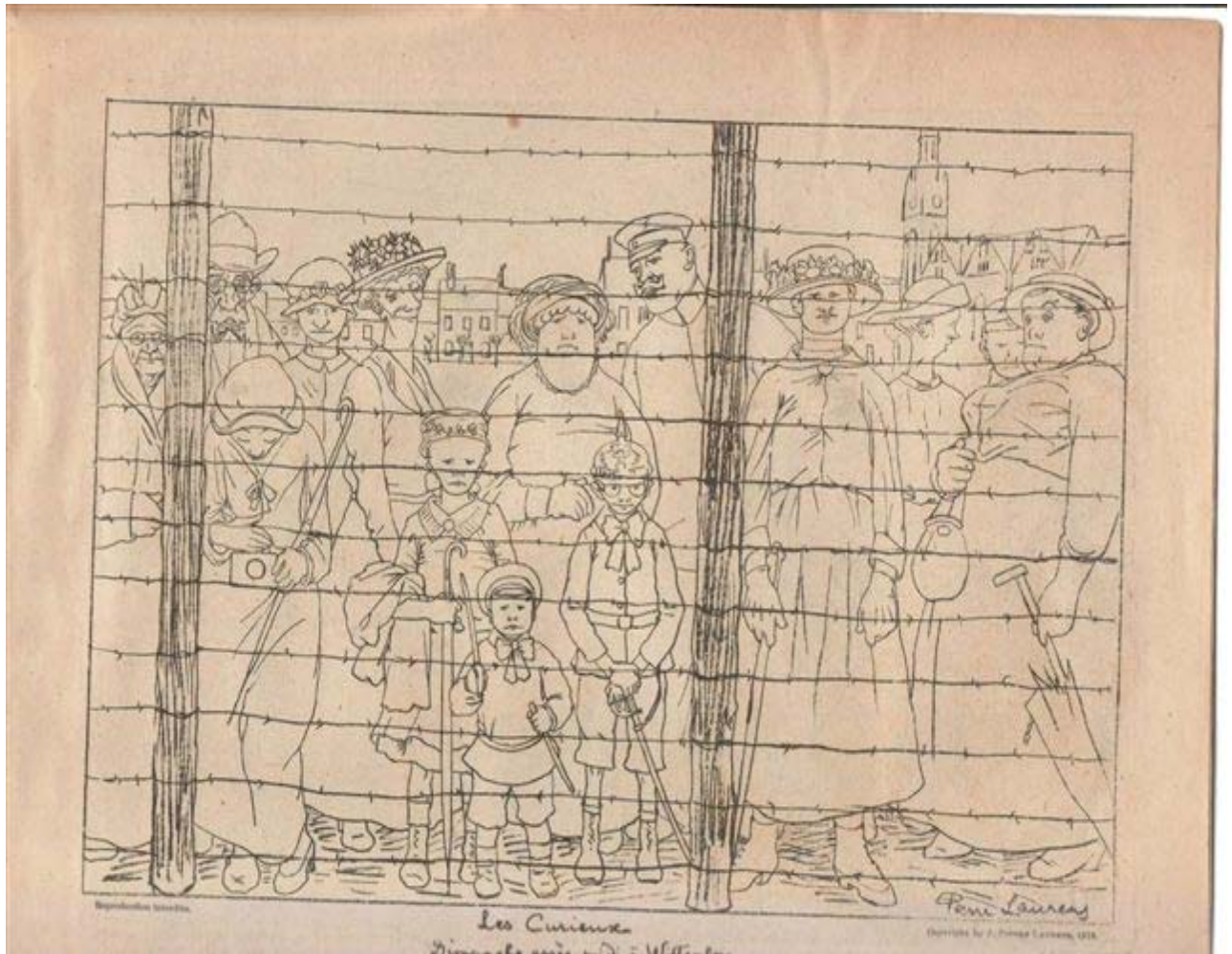
I would also mention No. 6924 Sgt NAYLOR George, Dragoon Guards. He was of the greatest help to me in maintaining discipline under most difficult circumstances.

R.W.Lovibond. Esq of West Jesmond House, Newcastle-on-Tyne. I have already sent you a special report on this gentleman. I consider his work beyond the words of praise,

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Major. R.A.M.C.
M.O. I/C Medical Division
Central Military Hospital
Fort Pitt, Chatham

The Wittenberg memorial was put up by the officers and men who survived the dreadful typhus epidemic of 1915-16 and was erected in 1921. Most of the bodies were moved to Berlin South graveyard. It was moved to its present position in the church graveyard in the 1960's.



This drawing was done by Pierre Jean Laurens who was a French prisoner there. It shows the Germans on a Sunday afternoon looking at the POW's with a church in the background.



This image shows the church in the background.







NAME	NAME	REGIMENT
PT	JAMES	W SOMERSET L.I.
OP	BLEESON	M ROYAL IRISH
LT	McDONALD	A
SGT	ALLWOOD	W ROYAL SCOTS BATTALION
	HENDERSOHN	W
	MR LEISH	D
	MILLS	G
	WICKES	L
	EDWE	T CHEESHIRE'S
	HUTAS	R ROYAL WELSH INFANTRY
		D WILTSHIRE
		SOUTH LANCERS