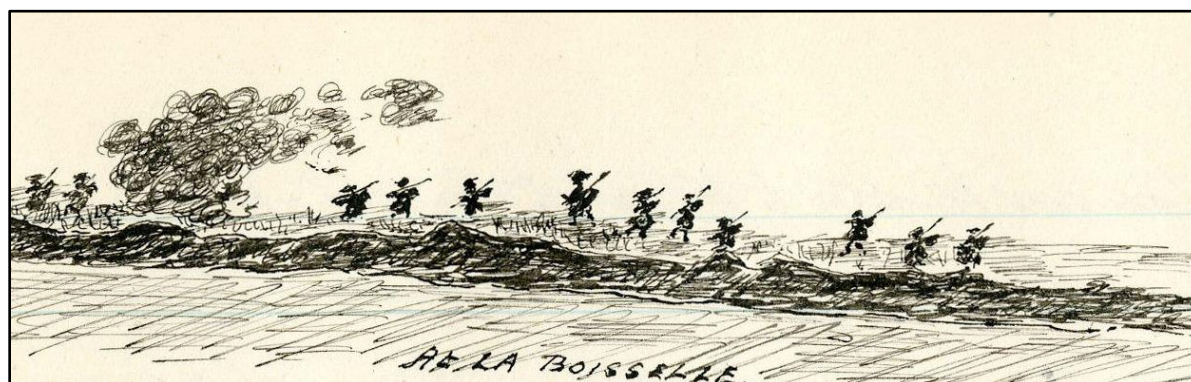


# The Durham Light Infantry and The Somme 1916

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## Part 4

**The Casualties.  
Killed in Action, Died of Wounds  
and Died of Disease.**



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## About the Cemetery Codes used in Part 4

The author researched and wrote this book in the 1990s. It was designed to be published in print although, sadly, this was not achieved during his lifetime.

Throughout the text, John Bilcliffe used a set of alpha-numeric codes to abbreviate cemetery names.

In Part 4 each soldier's name is followed by a Cemetery Code and, where known, the Grave Reference, as identified by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Here are two examples of the codes and what they represent:

T2	Thiepval Memorial
A5 VII.B.22	Adanac Military Cemetery, Miraumont: Section VII, Row B, Grave no. 22

Below is a full list of the Cemetery Codes and Names used by the author. A few, in italics, were added during later editing by Peter Nelson:

Code	Cemetery Name
A1	<a href="#">Abbeville Communal Cemetery</a>
A2	<a href="#">Abbeville Communal Cemetery Extension</a>
A3	<a href="#">Acheux British Cemetery</a>
A4	<a href="#">Achiet-le-Grand Communal Cemetery Extension</a>
A5	<a href="#">Adanac Military Cemetery, Miraumont-Pys</a>
A6	<a href="#">A.I.F. Burial Ground, Grass Lane, Flers</a>
A7	<a href="#">Albert Communal Cemetery Extension, Albert</a>
A8	<a href="#">Authuille Military Cemetery</a>
A9	<a href="#">Aveluy Wood Cemetery, Mesnil-Martinsart</a>
<i>A10</i>	<i><a href="#">Amplier Communal Cemetery</a></i>
<i>A11</i>	<i><a href="#">Avesnes-Le-Comte Communal Cemetery Extension</a></i>
<i>A12</i>	<i><a href="#">Arras Memorial</a></i>
B1	<a href="#">Bancourt British Cemetery</a>
B2	<a href="#">Barlin Communal Cemetery Extension</a>
B3	<a href="#">Bazentin-le-Petit Communal Cemetery Extension</a>



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- B4 [Bazentin-le-Petit Military Cemetery](#)
- B5 [Beaulencourt British Cemetery](#)
- B6 [Beauval Communal Cemetery](#)
- B7 [Becourt Military Cemetery, Becordel-Becourt](#)
- B8 [Bernafay Wood British Cemetery](#)
- B9 [Bertrancourt Military Cemetery](#)
- B10 [Bienvillers Military Cemetery](#)
- B11 [Blighty Valley Cemetery, Aveluy](#)
- B12 [Boisguillaume Communal Cemetery](#)
- B13 [Boulogne Eastern Cemetery](#)
- B14 [Bouzincourt Communal Cemetery Extension](#)
- B15 [Bronfay Farm Military Cemetery, Bray-sur-Somme](#)
- B16 [Bulls Road Cemetery, Flers](#)
- C1 [Cabaret-Rouge British Cemetery](#)
- C2 [Cambrin Churchyard Extension](#)
- C3 [Canadian Cemetery No. 2, Contalmaison](#)
- C4 [Carnoy Military Cemetery](#)
- C5 [Caterpillar Valley Cemetery, Longueval](#)
- C6 [Cerisy-Gailly French National Cemetery](#)
- C7 [Contalmaison Chateau Cemetery](#)
- C8 [Corbie Communal Cemetery Extension](#)
- C9 [Couin British Cemetery](#)
- D1 [Dantzig Alley British Cemetery, Mametz](#)
- D2 [Daours Communal Cemetery Extension](#)
- D3 [Dartmoor Cemetery, Becordal-Becourt](#)
- D4 [Delville Wood Cemetery, Longueval](#)
- D5 [Dernancourt Communal Cemetery Extension](#)
- D6 [Dive Copse British Cemetery, Sailly-le-Sec](#)
- D7 [Douchy-Les-Ayette British Cemetery](#)
- D8 [Doullens Communal Cemetery Extension No. 1](#)
- E1 [Englebelmer Communal Cemetery](#)
- E2 [Etaples Military Cemetery](#)
- E3 [Etretat Churchyard](#)
- E4 [Euston Road Cemetery, Colincamps](#)
- F1 [Flatiron Copse Cemetery, Mametz](#)
- F2 [Faubourg D'Amiens Cemetery, Arras](#)
- G1 [Gezaincourt Communal Cemetery Extension](#)
- G2 [Gordon Dump Cemetery, La Boisselle](#)
- G3 [Grove Town Cemetery, Meaulte](#)
- G4 [Guards Cemetery, Lesboeufs](#)
- G5 [Guillemont Road Cemetery, Guillemont](#)
- G6 [Gorre British and Indian Cemetery](#)
- H1 [Hamel Military Cemetery, Beaumont-Hamel](#)
- H2 [Hazebrouck Communal Cemetery](#)
- H3 [Hebuterne Military Cemetery](#)
- H4 [Heilly Station Cemetery, Mericourt-l'Abbe](#)
- H5 [Habarcq Communal Cemetery Extension](#)
- L1 [La Neuville British Cemetery](#)
- L2 [London Cemetery and Extension, High Wood, Longueval](#)
- L3 [Longueval Road Cemetery, Longueval](#)
- M1 [Martinsart British Cemetery, Mesnil-Martinsart](#)
- M2 [Meaulte Military Cemetery](#)
- M3 [Mericourt-l'Abbe Communal Cemetery Extension](#)



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- M4 [Millencourt Communal Cemetery Extension](#)
- N1 [Norfolk Cemetery, Becordel-Becourt](#)
- O1 [Ontario Cemetery, Sains-les-Marquion, Baupaume](#)
- O2 [Ovillers Military Cemetery, Ovillers-la-Boisselle](#)
- P1 [Peake Wood Cemetery, Contalmaison](#)
- P2 [Peronne Road Cemetery, Maricourt](#)
- P3 [Porte-de-Paris Cemetery, Cambrai](#)
- P4 [Pozieres British Cemetery, Ovillers-la-Boisselle](#)
- P5 [Puchevillers British Cemetery](#)
- S1 [Sailly-au-Bois Military Cemetery](#)
- S2 [Serre Road Cemetery No. 2](#)
- S3 [Serre Road Cemetery No. 1](#)
- S4 [St Pierre Cemetery, Amiens](#)
- S5 [St Sever Cemetery Extension, Rouen](#)
- S6 [St Sever Cemetery, Rouen](#)
- S7 [St Marie Cemetery, Le Havre](#)
- S8 [Sucrerie Military Cemetery, Colincamps](#)
- T1 [Thiepval Anglo-French Cemetery, Authuille](#)
- T2 [Thiepval Memorial](#)
- T3 [Tranchee de Mecknes Cemetery, Aix-Noulette](#)
- W1 [Warlencourt British Cemetery](#)
- W2 [Warloy-Baillon Communal Cemetery Extension](#)
- W3 [Wimereux Communal Cemetery, Wimereux](#)



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## 4.1: Analysis of casualties sustained by The Durham Light Infantry on the Somme in 1916.

There is something rather insidious about compiling statistics of casualties. A man killed in action or dying from his wounds is much more than just another number in a table. But in trying to appreciate what happened in the Somme battles, so as to give an accurate overview, tables are probably inevitable.

The figures may not include all soldiers who were wounded and subsequently died of their wounds at home, though every effort has been made to identify them. There is no general information regarding the date when soldiers who were wounded subsequently died of their wounds. We have only the date of their death. Regrettably it may not, therefore, have been possible to record those soldiers in the Somme roll of honour.

In respect of others, the rule has been adopted that any soldier who died of wounds on or after the start of a battle is assumed to have been wounded in that battle and not in the previous action. There is obviously a risk of error. Soldiers who died of wounds on 1 July are assumed to have been wounded on that date. Soldiers who died of wounds in December, unless at home, have not been included in the battalion figures for the Somme. Soldiers who died of disease while recuperating, or by accident, if identified, are included in the overall total and in the battalion total, if the date of death was between 1 July and 31 December 1916.

Bn.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Somme Total	War Total	Somme %
2nd	-	11	64	61	-	-	136	1363	10
5th	-	-	111	12	29	1	153	920	16.6
6th	-	-	64	74	98	-	236	933	25.3
7th	-	1	15	26	22	1	65	672	9.7
8th	-	-	70	17	125	1	213	826	25.8
9th	-	-	82	17	104	-	203	788	25.8
10th	-	61	160	6	1	-	228	732	31.1
11th	-	11	27	24	-	-	62	314	19.7
12th	92	11	29	62	-	1	195	567	34.4
13th	46	31	27	31	-	-	135	678	20
14th	-	5	106	47	2	-	160	626	25.6
15th	171	1	159	10	3	1	345	1559	22.1
18th	85	4	-	1	2	-	92	552	16.6
19th	65	23	1	-	-	-	89	545	16.3
20th	-	-	69	31	2	-	102	695	14.7
22nd	-	-	-	35	20	-	55	549	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>984</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2469</b>	<b>13283</b>	<b>18.6%</b>

Of the total DLI casualties of the Somme campaign, 121 were Officers and 2348 were Other Ranks. Officers represented 4.9% of the 2469 Somme total and 0.9% of the War total.

From the above table it can be seen that the 15th Battalion suffered more than any other DLI battalion, both in terms of the Somme in 1916 and the Great War as a whole. This battalion lost 139 all ranks killed on the first day of the Somme Offensive (1 July 1916) and another 138 in the Battle of Flers-Courcelette (135 on 16 September 1916). September was in fact the most serious month for losses in the Regiment (984 killed in action or died of wounds) and during that month the Battle of Flers-Courcelette accounted for 784 of the casualties. The other main disaster day was 5 November 1916, when the attack on the Butte de Warlencourt claimed 281 lives. Many, wounded, died later.



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<b>Bn.</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>d</b>	<b>e</b>	<b>f</b>	<b>g</b>	<b>h</b>	<b>i</b>	<b>j</b>	<b>k</b>	<b>l</b>	<b>m</b>	<b>Total</b>
2nd	-	-	-	-	-	44	19	-	61	-	-	11	1	136
5th	-	-	-	-	-	103	-	11	-	36	-	-	3	153
6th	-	-	-	-	-	61	-	77	-	97	-	-	1	236
7th	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	20	-	30	-	2	2	65
8th	-	-	-	-	-	38	-	46	-	123	-	3	3	213
9th	-	-	-	-	-	72	-	26	-	102	-	1	2	203
10th	-	-	65	-	-	163	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	228
11th	-	-	-	-	17	7	-	-	24	-	-	14	-	62
12th	37	51	-	15	-	8	-	23	60	-	-	-	1	195
13th	23	14	-	44	-	12	8	-	30	-	-	3	1	135
14th	-	-	-	-	-	78	30	-	46	-	-	5	1	160
15th	156	16	-	-	-	152	16	-	-	-	-	1	4	345
18th	85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	4	92
19th	-	-	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	1	89
20th	-	-	-	-	-	35	-	-	30	-	-	34	3	102
22nd	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52	3	55
<b>Total</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2469</b>

- a: Battle of Albert
- b: Battle of Bazentin
- c: Battle of Delville Wood
- d: Battle of Pozieres
- e: Battle of Guillemont
- f: Battle of Flers-Courcelette
- g: Battle of Morval
- h: Attack on the Flers Line and Flers Support
- i: Battle of Le Transloy
- j: Attack on the Gird Line and the Butte de Warlencourt
- k: Battle of the Ancre Heights
- l: In the trenches in various locations
- m: Died of disease or by accident or died of wounds in UK.

<b>DLI Battalion</b>	<b>Known Graves</b>	<b>Thiepval Memorial</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Thiepval %</b>
<b>2nd</b>	51	85	136	62
<b>5th</b>	53	100	153	65.4
<b>6th</b>	97	139	236	58.9
<b>7th</b>	49	16	65	24.6
<b>8th</b>	82	131	213	61.5
<b>9th</b>	73	130	203	64
<b>10th</b>	56	172	228	75.4
<b>11th</b>	44	18	62	29
<b>12th</b>	53	142	195	72.8
<b>13th</b>	46	89	135	65.9
<b>14th</b>	63	97	160	59.6
<b>15th</b>	109	236	345	68.4
<b>18th</b>	44	48	92	52.2
<b>19th</b>	33	56	89	62.2
<b>20th</b>	41	61	102	59.2
<b>22nd</b>	30	25	55	45.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>1545</b>	<b>2469</b>	<b>62.5%</b>



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## 4.2: Officers who were killed or died of wounds on the Somme 1916.

This list may not be complete as Officers not noted may have died in the United Kingdom from wounds received on the Somme. There is no definitive list of these deaths but the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's listing is the most comprehensive and is amended when necessary. Officers who died at home include Lieutenant Colonel Fitzgerald (15 DLI) and Second Lieutenant Moon-Ord (7 DLI).

**Note:** "dow" - died of wounds; "kia" - killed in action.

Allan, 2nd Lieutenant Frank Cecil	13 DLI	dow	29 September
Annett, 2nd Lieutenant Hugh Clarkson	6 DLI	kia	15 September
Applegarth, 2nd Lieutenant Thomas Forster	6 DLI	kia	5 November
Armstrong, 2nd Lieutenant Cecil	12 DLI	kia	21 September
Ashwin, Lieutenant Guy John Hamilton	5 DLI	kia	7 November
Austin, Captain Arthur Hyndman Piercy	13 DLI	kia	4 August
Banks, 2nd Lieutenant Bertie Charlton	8 DLI	kia	5 November
Bannehr, Lieutenant Harold James Thomas	7 DLI	kia	5 November
Barclay, 2nd Lieutenant Henry (Harry)	2 DLI	kia	15 October
Barkas, Lieutenant John Charles Pearson	10 DLI	kia	15 September
Baty, Captain Bertie Cecil	2 DLI	kia	16 September
Beart, 2nd Lieutenant Vere Leopold Dunston	13 DLI	kia	17 September
Bell, 2nd Lieutenant William	18 DLI	dow	3 July
Bewick, 2nd Lieutenant Ralph Nathaniel	8 DLI	kia	29 September
Birtles, 2nd Lieutenant Leonard	2 DLI	kia	16 September
Blake, Captain Harold Frederick <sup>1</sup>	13 DLI	kia	7 October
Bobby, 2nd Lieutenant Sidney Fitzgerald	18 DLI	kia	1 July
Boden, 2nd Lieutenant Samuel Standidge	14 DLI	kia	15 October
Bollom, 2nd Lieutenant Johnson	12 DLI	kia	24 September
Boyd, Lieutenant William	8 DLI	kia	5 November
Braidford, 2nd Lieutenant William	19 DLI	kia	24 July
Butterworth, Lieutenant George Sainton Kaye	13 DLI	kia	5 August
Catford, Lieutenant Cyril Herbert Barclay	6 DLI	dow	5 October
Chamberlin, 2nd Lieutenant Hugh Frederick Whitmore <sup>2</sup>	2 DLI	kia	15 October
Charlton, 2nd Lieutenant William Ferrier	6 DLI	kia	18 September
Clappen, 2nd Lieutenant Wilfred Joseph	10 DLI	dow	22 September
Cook, 2nd Lieutenant John	22 DLI	kia	23 October
Cormack, 2nd Lieutenant Reginald Ormiston	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Cutler, 2nd Lieutenant Frank	14 DLI	kia	18 August
East, Captain John	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Ely, Captain Denis Herbert James	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Fell, 2nd Lieutenant Harold	6 DLI	kia	5 November
Fitz-Brown, 2nd Lieutenant Geoffrey	5 DLI	dow	23 October
Fitzgerald, Lieutenant Colonel Alfred Edward	15 DLI	dow	11 July
Forster, Lieutenant William Oxley	8 DLI	dow	22 September
French, 2nd Lieutenant Percival Vincent	19 DLI	dow	1 9 July
Frost, 2nd Lieutenant Joshua	8 DLI	dow	29 September
Garland, 2nd Lieutenant George Arthur	15 DLI	kia	16 September
George, 2nd Lieutenant Edward Barcroft	15 DLI	kia	16 September
Graham, 2nd Lieutenant Cedric Kenny Onslow	15 DLI	kia	16 September

<sup>1</sup> From Wiltshire Regiment.



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Graham, 2nd Lieutenant John	10 DLI	kia	16 September
Green, 2nd Lieutenant Cuthbert	2 DLI	kia	15 October
Green, 2nd Lieutenant John Feetham	7 DLI	kia	5 November
Harris, Lieutenant Roland James	6 DLI	kia	16 September
Harrison, 2nd Lieutenant Leonard Arthur	12 DLI	kia	17 July
Haynes, 2nd Lieutenant Clifford Skemp	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Hellier, Acting Captain Fred	14 DLI	kia	12 October
Herd, Captain Oswald Alexander	14 DLI	kia	24 September
Hetherington, Lieutenant Thomas William	12 DLI	kia	17 July
Heyward, 2nd Lieutenant Harry Neale <sup>2</sup>	15 DLI	dow	10 October
Higgin-Botham, 2nd Lieutenant Charles Egerton	9 DLI	kia	5 November
Hill, 2nd Lieutenant Cedric Lloyd Graham	8 DLI	kia	5 November
Hodgson, Captain Clarence Mortimer	14 DLI	kia	18 September
Huddleston, 2nd Lieutenant Maurice Louis	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Hughes, Captain Edward	2 DLI	dow	16 September
Jacob, 2nd Lieutenant Anstey Ross	15 DLI	kia	18 September
James, Lieutenant Wilfred Rowland	10 DLI	kia	16 September
Jarrett, 2nd Lieutenant Samuel Fox Armitage	2 DLI	dow	12 October
Jones, 2nd Lieutenant John Myddleton	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Kay, 2nd Lieutenant Melville Herbert	8 DLI	kia	5 November
Kerridge, Lieutenant Oswald Alfred	13 DLI	dow	23 July
Lauderdale, 2nd Lieutenant John Maitland	8 DLI	kia	18 September
Lawson, 2nd Lieutenant Alfred	9 DLI	kia	16 September
Little, 2nd Lieutenant William	6 DLI	kia	1 October
Lockett, 2nd Lieutenant William Henry	12 DLI	kia	7 October
McCann, 2nd Lieutenant William Robert	7 DLI	dow	11 October
Mann, 2nd Lieutenant Charles Humphrey Dalla	13 DLI	kia	30 September
Meikle, 2nd Lieutenant Robert Jardine	2 DLI	kia	16 September
Millar, 2nd Lieutenant Leonard	19 DLI	dow	19 July
Milne, Lieutenant Alexander	14 DLI	kia	18 September
Moon-Ord, 2nd Lieutenant Charles Denton	7 DLI	dow	2 December
Morley, 2nd Lieutenant Arthur Selwyn	15 DLI	kia	16 September
Naylor, Major Urmston Shaw	13 DLI	dow	3 September
Newstead, Captain Frederick Lisle	2 DLI	kia	7 August
Palmer, 2nd Lieutenant John Stanley	2 DLI	dow	18 October
Paxton, 2nd Lieutenant Samuel Turvey	9 DLI	kia	5 November
Peacock, 2nd Lieutenant David Ronald	6 DLI	kia	2 October
Pearce-Brown, 2nd Lieutenant Richard	12 DLI	kia	17 July
Peek, 2nd Lieutenant Herbert Thain <sup>3</sup>	15 DLI	kia	14 July
Plaskitt, 2nd Lieutenant Sydney Vernon <sup>4</sup>	9 DLI	kia	5 November
Potts, 2nd Lieutenant Arnold Leslie Leopold	9 DLI	kia	5 November
Raine, 2nd Lieutenant George Kenneth	18 DLI	dow	5 November
Ritson, 2nd Lieutenant Arthur Stuart <sup>5</sup>	6 DLI	kia	5 November
Roan, 2nd Lieutenant Walter Tait	8 DLI	kia	29 September
Robinson, 2nd Lieutenant Douglas Eric	5 DLI	kia	17 September
Robinson, 2nd Lieutenant Thomas Naylor	14 DLI	kia	25 September
Robson, 2nd Lieutenant George William	8 DLI	kia	5 November
Robson, Lieutenant Alfred Styan	6 DLI	kia	5 November
Royley, 2nd Lieutenant Harry	15 DLI	kia	16 September
Russell, 2nd Lieutenant Walter Guthrie	8 DLI	kia	29 September
Rutherford, Captain Robert	9 DLI	kia	15 September
Sanger-Davies, Captain Llewellyn Herbert	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Schofield, Lieutenant James Humphrey Clare	15 DLI	kia	26 September
Scott, Lieutenant William Emiley Oscar	9 DLI	kia	29 September
Shepherd, Captain Norman Robinson	7 DLI	kia	4 November

<sup>2</sup> From 2nd Battalion DLI.

<sup>3</sup> Attached from Royal Army Medical Corps (RAMC).

<sup>4</sup> From 5th Battalion DLI.

<sup>5</sup> From 5th Battalion DLI.



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Shorter, 2nd Lieutenant Alfred George	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Simpson, Lieutenant George	18 DLI	kia	4 July
Slater, 2nd Lieutenant James	9 DLI	died	16 November
Spencer, Captain Harry John	9 DLI	died	17 November
Stewart, Lieutenant Frederick Arnold	10 DLI	kia	16 September
Stuart, 2nd Lieutenant Kenneth Bruce	6 DLI	kia	5 November
Swindle, 2nd Lieutenant Jackson	14 DLI	dow	14 October
Tait-Knight, Captain Alec	22 DLI	dow	27 October
Target, Lieutenant Noel Alexander	13 DLI	kia	4 August
Telfer, 2nd Lieutenant Richard Greenwell <sup>6</sup>	12 DLI	kia	7 October
Thompson, 2nd Lieutenant Norman	13 DLI	dow	5 August
Toon, 2nd Lieutenant Harold Phillips	15 DLI	kia	14 July
Townsend, Lieutenant Francis Edward Stevenson	5 DLI	dow	30 September
Tytler, 2nd Lieutenant James Hall	9 DLI	dow	16 September
Wallace, 2nd Lieutenant Robinson	8 DLI	dow	2 October
Walton, 2nd Lieutenant Eric Alfred	9 DLI	kia	16 September
Warren, 2nd Lieutenant Theodore Stewart Walton	12 DLI	kia	17 July
Watson, 2nd Lieutenant Sydney Towers	15 DLI	kia	1 July
Welch, Captain Edward Ronald <sup>7</sup>	15 DLI	kia	16 September
Wesselhoeft, 2nd Lieutenant George Henri	15 DLI	kia	16 September
Whiteley, 2nd Lieutenant Hubert	9 DLI	died	11 October
Whittle, 2nd Lieutenant Arthur Denton	10 DLI	kia	16 September
Wild, 2nd Lieutenant Arthur	14 DLI	kia	18 September
Wilson, Captain Hugh Russell	5 DLI	kia	11 September
Wolstenholme, Captain Charles Skaife	12 DLI	kia	17 July
Woodhead, Captain Robert Comber	12 DLI	kia	17 July

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<sup>6</sup> From 4th Battalion DLI.

<sup>7</sup> Attached from Royal Army Medical Corps (RAMC).



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## 4.3: DLI Somme Casualties by Battalion.

### 2nd Battalion DLI

The 2nd Battalion DLI was part of the 18th Brigade (as was the 14th Battalion), 6th Division, XIV Corps. The 6th Division was credited with the following Battles and Actions:

Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Capture of Lesboeufs	25 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

2 August: Arrived at Doullens from Ypres area and then to Amplier.

4 August: To Acheux.

6 August: Moved forward with two companies in front line (Gordon Trench), one in support at Hamel, one in reserve at Mensil.

12 August: Relieved and moved to Beaussart.

14 August: To Mailly-Maillet Wood. Digging trenches south from Roberts Trench.

20 August: Relieved 11th Essex Regiment in front line.

26 August: Relieved by 1/6th Cheshire Regiment and to camp, just north of Acheux

27-29 August: To Amplier, Longuevillette and Vignacourt.

6-7 September: To Coisy and Sailly-le-Sac.

11-12 September: To Sand Pit Camp and Citadel Camp.

14 September: Moved forward to valley just south of Montauban.

15 September: Assembled at The Triangle and at 7.30 pm bombed down Straight Trench towards the Quadrilateral.

16 September: Renewed attack. Relieved by 1st West Yorkshire Regiment and withdrew to Trones Wood.

18 September: In reserve at Guillemont-Wedgwood Trench during attack on the Quadrilateral.

19 September: Relieved and went to Meaulte.

21 September: To Trones Wood and took over trenches north-east of Ginchy.

24 September: To Trones Wood.

25 September: Attacked and took sunken road west of Lesboeufs.

29 September: Relieved and went to Meaulte.

30 September: To Mericourt L'Abbe.

7 October: To Citadel Camp.

8 October: Moved forward via Trones Wood to trenches near Gueudecourt.

9 October: Withdrew to reserve bivouacs near Trones Wood.

11 October: To Needle Trench near Gueudecourt.

13 October: To Rainbow Trench.

15 October: Took part in attack (at Le Transloy?) and returned to Needle Trench.

16 October Withdrew to camp near Montauban.

19 October: To Citadel Camp.

21 October: To Mericourt.

22 October: Entrained for Oisemont and from there to Forceville.

27 October: To Longpre and next day entrained for Chocques.



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## BATTALION CASUALTIES

### In the trenches north-east of Hamel

#### **Killed in action (9)**

7 Aug:	Newstead, Captain Frederick Lisle	M1 I.H.17
11 Aug:	Allen, 19/1028 Private William	H1 I.C.21
	Hardy, 9733 Private Samuel	H1 I.B.35
	Mannion, 4/7857 Private John	M1 I.H.15
12 Aug:	Gilmour, 25292 Private Robert	H1 I.C.23
	Harrington, 8472 Corporal Dennis	H1 I.C.22
17 Aug:	Alderson, 4/10201 Lance Corporal Bertie	T2
26 Aug:	McCabe, 27318 Private Michael	A9 I.F.3
3 Sep:	Lakey, 4/10411 Private William	T2

#### **Died of wounds (2)**

22 Aug:	Bentham, 3/9174 Private Thomas	C9 II.C.21
27 Aug:	Graham, 3/11019 Private James	H2 I.A.15

### Battle of Flers-Courcelette

#### **Killed in action (39)**

15 Sep:	Meikle, 2nd Lieutenant Robert Jardine	G4 XII.C.6
16 Sep:	Birtles, 2nd Lieutenant Leonard	T2
	Baty, Captain Bertie Cecil	T2
	Baxter, 42513 Private John William	T2
	Bradford, 3/9888 Private Frederick	S2 XXX.B.14
	Briggs, 9768 Private Alfred	T2
	Broad, 42507 Private Walter	G4 X.S.7
	Bruce, 8934 Sergeant John	T2
	Daniels, 27045 Lance Corporal John	T2
	Donnelly, 3/12085 Lance Corporal James	T2
	Fairbanks, 42528 Private Charles	T2
	Foster, 22078 Private John Wheatley	T2
	Foster, 4/9243 Lance Sergeant Percy William	T2
	Gargett, 30569 Private John George	T2
	Graham, 4/8492 Private John	T2
	Grantham, 42531 Private Hewson	T2
	Hagan, 4/9091 Private William	T2
	Hall, 25417 Private John	T2
	Hempsall, 42533 Private William	T2
	Humble, 19/1036 Private Norman	T2
	Jackson, 4/9761 Lance Corporal George	T2
	Jamieson, 9608 Sergeant George Fey	T2
	Lockyer, 30759 Private George	T2
	Middlemas, 15369 Private Thomas <sup>8</sup>	T2
	Mosey, 27961 Private Benjamin	T2
	Parton, 45401 Private Thomas	T2
	Read, 3/12320 Private Charles	T2
	Richardson, 4/9991 Private Michael	T2
	Riley, 3/9713 Private Edward, MM	T2
	Ryan, 3/10268 Lance Corporal Norman	T2
	Snaith, 19858 Private Fred	T2

<sup>8</sup> 'C' Company 2 DLI.



Thompson, 21333 Private Ralph	T2
Vest, 4/10087 Private Charles	T2
Watkins, 22160 Private Robert <sup>9</sup>	T2
Wightman, 3/10291 Lance Sergeant Charles Henry	T2
Wilson, 4/8765 Private Joseph William	T2
Winterbottom, 21/130 Private Daniel	T2
Wood, 30748 Private Herbert Edward	T2
Woodhams, 3/9237 Private Robert <sup>10</sup>	T2

### **Died of Wounds (5)**

16 Sep: Appleton, 478231 Private Thomas	G5 I.B.9
Hughes, Captain Edward	B15 II.C.20
17 Sep: Booth, 24094 Private Thomas William Johnson	L1 II.E.65
18 Sep: Bushby, 11452 Private William	G3 I.D.21
20 Sep: Parker, 3/12021 Sergeant John William, MM	P2 III.C.20

### **Battle of Morval**

#### **Killed in action (16)**

23 Sep: Goodwin, 4/8747 Private Thomas James	T2
25 Sep: Brookes, 45405 Private Alfred	T2
Hill, 27073 Private George Victor Sidney	T2
Smith, 45432 Private Harold William	T2
26 Sep: Boocock, 22242 Private James Henry	G4 X.C.9
Campbell, 8535 Private James	T2
Craggs, 32108 Private James	G4 X.J.9
Fallon, 31418 Private James	G4 IX.N.9
Gibson, 13851 Private Norman	G4 IX.N.10
Henery, 3/9871 Private Andrew	T2
Hodgson, 19643 Private Albert Whitfield	T2
Sumner, 25420 Private Richard	T2
Urwin, 32580 Private John Robert	T2
Ward, 3/12303 Private Frederick	G4 X.J.7
27 Sep: McGeeney, 27320 Private James	G4 X.J.8
28 Sep: Storey, 11780 Private Matthew	T2

#### **Died of wounds (3)**

25 Sep: Brewin, 45404 Private Joseph	T2
26 Sep: Baxter, 8580 Private William	P2 II.D.33
Carruthers, 42521 Private Francis	G3 I.E.3

### **Battle of le Transloy**

#### **Killed in action (52)**

1 Oct: McCrickard, 30101 Private Wilfrid	T2
9 Oct: Green, 27801 Private John William	T2
13 Oct: Whitcombe, 4/8606 Corporal Thomas <sup>11</sup>	C5 XXVIII.J.4
14 Oct: Kelly, 33131 Private Walter	T2
15 Oct: Avis, 28059 Private Arthur George	T2
Bainbridge, 4/9525 Sergeant Christopher	T2
Barclay, 2nd Lieutenant Henry (Harry)	B1 VII.B.12

<sup>9</sup> 'D' Company 2 DLI.

<sup>10</sup> 'D' Company 2 DLI.

<sup>11</sup> 'B' Company 2 DLI. His service papers give his date of death as 13 October 1916. The CWGC gives the erroneous date of 13 September and his number incorrectly as 418606.



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Biggin, 11015 Private Harry	T2
Blower, 4/10448 Lance Corporal Ernest	B1 VII. J. 11
Brown, 3/12234 Lance Corporal George Alfred	T2
Campbell, 3/12171 Private Arthur	B1 VIII.B. 11
Chamberlin, 2nd Lieutenant Hugh Frederick Whitmore	T2
Clark, 42522 Private John	T2
Copley, 30385 Private William Alvin	B1 VIII.H.9
Coulbeck, 42515 Private Thomas	B1 VIII.D.19
Dennison, 27997 Private Herbert	T2
Downing, 45420 Private Ernest	T2
Forcer, 27945 Private James	T2
Francis, 30540 Private Theodore	T2
Gibbison, 19365 Private Robert Thomas <sup>12</sup>	T2
Gilfellow, 27498 Private Thomas	T2
Goundry, 32141 Private Henry	T2
Green, 2nd Lieutenant Cuthbert	T2
Jones, 22565 Private Llewellyn	T2
King, 3/7246 Private George	T2
Lamb, 20967 Private George	B1 VI.L.5
Lee, 18/537 Private Arthur	B1 VII.M.2
Major, 42544 Private James	B1 VIII.H.3
Metcalf, 32125 Private Edward	B1 IV.D.4
Middleton, 4/9891 Private William Fenwick	T2
Miller, 42543 Private Matthew	B10 XVIII.L.10
Mills, 4/8371 Private Watson	T2
Milne, 3/11913 Corporal John	T2
Neil, 22118 Private William	T2
Oliver, 21942 Private John	T2
Patton, 23796 Private John William	T2
Potter, 7203 Sergeant Harry	T2
Shrimpton, 10978 Lance Sergeant George	T2
Smith, 20966 Private William	T2
Somerville, 26165 Private Thomas	T2
Stephenson, 9203 Pte John Chapple	B1 VI.K.5
Stephenson, 30757 Lance Corporal Joseph Septimus	B1 VIII.F.3
Tallet, 3/10105 Private George	T2
Tomlinson, 8488 Private John	T2
Trodden, 4/8958 Private Frank	T2
Tumilty, 4/9036 Private Benjamin	T2
Turton, 32665 Private Fred	B1 VIII.D.10
Walker, 27780 Private John Skede	T2
Willis, 27516 Private John	T2
Woods, 4/8684 Corporal Ernest	B1 VI.M.11
Woodward, 26048 Private Wilfred	B1 VIII.F.10.
16 Oct: Walker, 32717 Private Henry Lloyd	T2
<b>Died of wounds (9)</b>	
5 Oct: Howard 21316 Private Joseph	E2 X1.F.7A
12 Oct: Jarrett, 2nd Lieutenant Samuel Fox Armitage	G3 1.B.3
15 Oct: North, 42547 Private Frank	B1 V1 K.13
17 Oct: Lees, 8473 Private Henry	S6 B.13.25
18 Oct: Palmer, Lieutenant John Stanley	G3 1.B.8
Whitwell, 32136 Private Robert	G3 1.N.33

<sup>12</sup> 'B' Company 2 DLI.



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20 Oct: Waller, 27338 Private Robert	A2 1.H.17
26 Oct: Innes, 30495 Private Charlton	E2 VIII.D.6A
29 Oct: Lemmon, 11540 Private Charles Daniel	G3 II.D.20
<b>Died (1)</b>	
7 Aug: Murray, 27449 Private Owen <sup>13</sup>	M1 I.H.16

## TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES

During the Battle of the Somme, 116 Officers and Other Ranks from the 2nd Battalion DLI were killed in action; 19 died of wounds; and one died - a total of 136 individuals.

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<sup>13</sup> Accidentally shot whilst on duty by a soldier cleaning a rifle.



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## 5th Battalion DLI

The 5th Battalion DLI was part of the 150th Brigade, 50th Division, III Corps. Also in the Division was the 151st Brigade (6th, 8th and 9th Battalions DLI). The 7th Battalion was the Pioneer Battalion. The 50th Division was credited with the following Battles:

Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October

## BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

11 August: Arrived at Doullens 7 pm and marched to Autheux arriving at 1 am.  
15 August: Three days of marching to Villers Bocage. Then to Molliens-au-Bois and Millencourt arriving 17 August.  
9 September: To Albert and Becourt Wood.  
14 September: Moved through Contalmaison and past Mametz Wood to OG1 and OG2 <sup>14</sup> trenches just south of Bazentin-le-Grand.  
15 September: Battle of Flers-Courcelette began. Attack on Martinpuich.  
16-7 September: In attacks on Starfish and Prue Trenches.  
19 September: Relieved.  
20 September: Reorganising near Bazentin-le-Grand for next three days.  
23-24 September: back to Prue and Starfish Trenches.  
25-26 September: A few hours rest in Clark's and Hook Trenches.  
26-27 September: Attack on Flers Line.  
28 September: Relieved by the 8th Battalion and spent night near Bazentin-le-Grand.  
29 September: To Mametz Wood.  
1 October: To Bazentin-le-Grand in reserve in OG1 and OG2 trenches.  
2 October: To Mametz Wood.  
4 October: Marched to Albert.  
5 October: To Millencourt, Henencourt and Baizieux Wood. Remained there for three weeks.  
23 October: Back to Millencourt and Bazentin-le-Grand.  
24 October: In reserve at Bazentin-le-Grand.  
28 October: To forward trenches in Le Sars sector.  
1/2 November: In reserve in the Flers Line and Prue Trench.  
3 November: To Mametz Wood.  
6 November: To forward trenches at Butte de Warlencourt and Gird Line.  
9 November: In support trenches in Flers Line and Flers Switch.  
11 November: To Bazentin-le-Grand.  
16 November: 50th Division relieved and 5th Battalion went to Becourt, where it remained until 30 November.

## BATTALION CASUALTIES

### Battle of Flers-Courcelette – High Wood Ridge

#### Killed in action (81)

11 Sep: Wilson, Captain Hugh Russell, MC<sup>15</sup>

B7 I.W.8

<sup>14</sup> Old German trenches.

<sup>15</sup> 'C' Company 5 DLI. Killed in Eye Trench.



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15 Sep:	Adamson, 2896 Private Edgar <sup>16</sup>	T2
	Anderson, 4256 Private George Robert	T2
	Atkinson, 2343 Private James Frank	T2
	Calvert, 2481 Corporal Alfred	T2
	Carver, 3238 Private Robert Nelson	T2
	Chadwick, 4624 Private William Finney	T2
	Cleminson, 1400 Private Eli	T2
	Coates, 3889 Lance Corporal Anthony	A5 VII.F.4
	Deakin, 4597 Private Thomas	T2
	Dobson, 2556 Lance Corporal William James	T2
	Evis, 3330 Private Percival George	T2
	Fairbairn, 3746 Private John	T2
	Fearn, 3501 Private William	T2
	Ferguson, 4409 Private Walter Stokels	T2
	Fewtrell, 3923 Private Thomas	T2
	Flynn, 4394 Private William	T2
	Hall, 4290 Private Alfred	T2
	Harkess, 2102 Corporal William	T2
	Johnson, 3687 Private Thomas	T2
	Kilborn, 4352 Private George William	T2
	King, 1977 Private Charlie	T2
	Kirk 4153 Private Fred Arthur	T2
	Lee, 3455 Private Myles	T2
	McManus, 4328 Private Edward	T2
	Pickering, 200418 Private Frederick	T2
	Robinson, 2nd Lieutenant Douglas Eric	S2 XXXV.C.6
	Rossiter, 3939 Private Thomas	T2
	Ruddock, 3596 Lance Corporal Robert Thomas	T2
	Sutton, 4637 Private Joseph	T2
	Swainson, 4408 Private Edward	T2
	Thompson, 200324 Lance Corporal Albert Edward	T2
	Turner, 3173 Private George William	T2
	Walker, 2569 Private James Richard	S2 XXXV.C.7
	Withington, 3161 Private John	T2
	Wood, 4375 Private George	T2
	Wright, 1810 Private John	T2
16 Sep:	Bellas, 3584 Private Fred	T2
	Bestwick, 4648 Private Reginald	T2
	Brown, 3070 Lance Corporal John	T2
	Fletcher, 2997 Private Thomas	B3 K.4
	Hickson, 4384 Private William	T2
	Jackson, 1615 Lance Corporal Clarence Henry	T2
	Jarrett, 3459 Private David	T2
	Killingbeck, 4417 Private Joseph	T2
	Metcalfe, 2973 Private James	T2
	Ramsden, 2471 Private Bertram	T2
	Rutter, 3275 Lance Corporal Robert William Newham	T2
	Wilkes, 2290 Private Henry	F1 VII.II
	Young, 3587 Private Charles Henry	T2
17 Sep:	Bennington, 4370 Private Charles Edward	T2
	Bromfield, 4586 Private Henry	T2
	Brown, 2406 Lance Corporal Norman	T2

<sup>16</sup> 'B' Company 5 DLI.



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	Chadwick, 4639 Private Edward James <sup>17</sup>	T2
	Clark, 1370 Corporal William	T2
	Donley, 3452 Private John Joseph	T2
	Evans, 4638 Private Albert	T2
	Greenfield, 3301 Private Harold	T2
	Hall, 3229 Private Alfred	T2
	Jordan, 4615 Private Fred James	T2
	Lord, 4398 Private Alfred	T2
	Munroe, 3791 Private Thomas	T2
	Mustard, 2649 Private Henry	T2
	McGregor, 2230 Private Robert <sup>18</sup>	T2
	Rowell, 4425 Private Robert	T2
	Smith, 2536 Lance Sergeant Alexander Bayncham	T2
	Tyers, 4385 Private Harry	T2
	Weston, 4243 Private Alfred	T2
	Williamson, 4180 Private Andrew <sup>19</sup>	T2
	Winn, 2273 Corporal Reginald Anthony	T2
	Woodward, 3059 Private John	T2
18 Sep:	Atton, 4618 Private Robert	T2
	Jordan, 4615 Private Fred James	T2
	Moan, 200162 Lance Corporal John William	T2
	Muir, 3060 Private Percy	T2
	Vokes, 3543 Private Thomas William	T2
19 Sep:	Leafe, 3942 Private Harry Vine	T2
	Mackenzie, 1412 Private George	T2
	Rose, 2414 Lance Corporal Fred	T2
	Sleeth, 1990 Private William	T2
24 Sep:	McGovern, 2470 Lance Corporal Peter <sup>20</sup>	T2
	<b>Died of wounds (22)</b>	
15 Sep:	Johnson, 2576 Lance Corporal William	D3 II.A.48
	Tindall, 3627 Lance Corporal Edward	D3 II.A.27
16 Sep:	Ayton, 2948 Private Benjamin	D5 II.D.34
	Birch, 4629 Private Francis	A2 I.A.9
	Harby, 4368 Private John Henry	D3 II.C.5
	Pearson, 4407 Private Albert Henry	D3 II.A.51
	Price, 3795 Private James	H4 IV.D.37
	Wharton, 2842 Private Arthur	D5 II.C.22
17 Sep:	Morren, 4392 Private John James	H4 II.H.55
	Morrison, 4366 Private Jim	D5 III.A.37
	Stanger, 4419 Private Robert William	E2 X.E.3
18 Sep:	Craggs, 3246 Private Charles Edmund	D5 III.A.29
	Gooding, 1893 Sergeant Cyril	D5 II.B.29
	Waller, 3322 Private Robert	E2 X.E.13A
19 Sep:	Crake, 4017 Private Joseph	P5 IV.D.14
	Forrest, 4210 Private Edwin	H4 IV.E.30
	Geldart, 2964 Private Edward	D5 II.A.27
	Hickman, 4365 Private Alfred Ernest	E2 XV.C.5A
20 Sep:	Hart, 4345 Private Walter Joseph	D5 II.A.32
23 Sep:	Howsden, 2963 Private George Fred	E2 XVI. C. 5A

<sup>17</sup> 'B' Company 5 DLI.

<sup>18</sup> 'D' Company 5 DLI.

<sup>19</sup> 'D' Company 5 DLI.

<sup>20</sup> 'C' Company 5 DLI. Killed in Prue-Starfish Trench.



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25 Sep: Trafford, 4382 Private Strawson Christopher E2 XI. A. 10  
 30 Sep: Townsend, Lieutenant Francis Edward Stevenson<sup>21</sup> A2 I.D.8

### **Attack on Flers Line**

#### **Killed in action (6)**

26 Sep: Howell, 2769 Private George Spencer<sup>22</sup> T2  
 Kapke, 2614 Private John Charles T2  
 27 Sep: Hornsby, 4224 Private Arthur Bereman T2  
 Plews, 3375 Private William Frederick T2  
 1 Oct: Hemmings, 5510 Private John Wilford T2  
 3 Oct: Ellis, 7938 Private Richard W1 VIII.D.6

#### **Died of wounds (5)**

26 Sep: Jubb, 2837 Corporal Nathan S6 B.21.50  
 Walker, 4651 Private Bertram E2 X1.B5  
 27 Sep: Porritt, 4061 Private Thomas E2 X1.C.13A  
 29 Sep: Smith, 2786 Private George Herbert<sup>23</sup> E2 X1.D.16  
 2 Oct: Mannifield, 2420 Private Tom S6 B.17.56

### **Attack on Gird Line and Butte de Warlencourt**

#### **Killed in action (28)**

26 Oct: Gilbert, 9336 Private Herbert Christopher W1 VII.F.17  
 28 Oct: Cowley, 4412 Private John T2  
 Robinson, 3914 Private Arthur T2  
 31 Oct: Laverick, 3497 Private Walter T2  
 1 Nov: Carr, 9446 Private Thomas William T2  
 Neale, 9360 Private Charles Thomas T2  
 3 Nov: West, 3179 Private Walter W1 VII.G.30  
 5 Nov: Taylor, 4087 Private Arthur T2  
 Taylor, 5709 Private William Thomas W1 1.G.25  
 Tortoise, 7857 Private Thomas William W1 II.C.27  
 7 Nov: Ashwin, Lieutenant Guy John Hamilton<sup>24</sup> W1 I.B.11  
 11 Nov: Timson, 9399 Private George T2  
 Colebrook, 2013 Private Richard Arthur O2 X.Z.4  
 Roberson, 9369 Private Robert T2  
 Robinson, 8356 Private Robert T2  
 Vart, 6229 Private Harold T2  
 Watson, 6036 Private Thomas T2  
 8 Nov: Brend, 4731 Private Douglas C5 XVIII.G.9  
 Broomhead, 6073 Private Herbert T2  
 Neville, 8490 Private Fred W1 1.J.21  
 Shorthouse, 2960 Private Fred T2  
 10 Nov: Allon, 3588 Private William T2  
 Bowes, 202095 Private Robert Emanuel T2  
 Drage, 9334 Private Sydney T2  
 Lough, 3585 Lance Corporal Mark Percival T2  
 11 Nov: Hancock, 9354 Private Fred T2  
 Moule, 9298 Private William T2  
 Timpson, 9399 Private George T2

<sup>21</sup> Wounded 16 September 1916.

<sup>22</sup> 'A' Company 5 DLI.

<sup>23</sup> 'B' Company 5 DLI.

<sup>24</sup> Killed in Maxwell Trench.



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### **Died of wounds (8)**

24 Oct:	Fitz-Brown, 2nd Lieutenant Geoffrey <sup>25</sup>	G3 I.B.10
26 Oct:	Swain, 4363 Private Ernest	B7 I.Y.14
27 Oct:	Fowler, 3978 Private Sydney	W3 I.R.22
12 Nov:	Mustart, 9384 Private Victor James	D5 IV. A. 19
	Shelley, 9453 Private Albert Arthur	S5 O.I.P.2
13 Nov:	Gallant, 9346 Private William	D5 IV.A.13
16 Nov:	Holmes, 6065 Private Wilfred Ewart	S5 O.II.C. 10
29 Nov:	Collins, 8119 Private Frank	S5 O.III.0.7

### **Died (3)**

3 Oct:	Carlisle, 2730 Private W.E. <sup>26</sup>	147.15667
	Brassington, 4628 Private James Thomas	D5 IV.D.24
17 Dec:	Youngs, 7706 Private E. <sup>27</sup>	

## **TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES**

During the Battle of the Somme, 115 Officers and Other Ranks from the 5th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 35 died of wounds; and three died - a total of 153 individuals.

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<sup>25</sup> Wounded 23 October 1916. Attached from 23rd Battalion DLI.

<sup>26</sup> Buried in All Saints' Cemetery, Nunhead, London.

<sup>27</sup> Buried in St John's Churchyard, Dipton, County Durham. 5<sup>th</sup> (Reserve) Battalion DLI.



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## 6th Battalion DLI

The 6th Battalion DLI was part of the 151st Brigade, along with the 8th and 9th Battalions, 50th Division, III Corps. Also in the Division was the 7th Battalion (Pioneers) and the 5th Battalion (150th Brigade). The 50th Division was credited with the following Battles:

Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

10 August: From Godewaersvelde by train to Candas and then marched to Heuzecourt (8 and 9 DLI were at Prouville some three miles away).

15 August: Marched to Vignacourt then Villers-Bocage and Baizieux arriving there on 17 August. Remained best part of a month in Baizieux Wood.

10 September: To Becourt Wood.

14 September: To Shelter Wood.

15 September: To south-west corner of Mainetz Wood. Moved forward in two stages to the Quarry at Bazentin-le-Petit. Joined attacks on Prue Trench and High Wood Ridge.

18 September: Moved back to 6th Avenue East and Intermediate Trenches.

20 September: Withdrew to Mametz Wood.

24 September: Back to Intermediate Trench.

27 September: In support line at Bazentin-le-Petit and front line at Eaucourt l'Abbaye.

1 October: In action in attack on the Flers Line.

3 October: To Becourt Wood.

4 October: To tents in Henencourt Wood for three weeks; reorganising and training.

25 October: To south-west corner of Mametz Wood; working parties.

3 November: Took over front line trenches before Butte de Warlencourt.

5 November: Attack on Butte de Warlencourt.

6 November: To Mametz Wood; working parties.

30 November: To Becourt and then to Warloy until end of December.

### BATTALION CASUALTIES

#### Battle of Flers-Courcelette

##### **Killed in action (50)**

15 Sep:	Annett, 2nd Lieutenant Hugh Clarkson <sup>28</sup>	B3 F.10
	Hewitt, 3723 Corporal Isaac William	T2
	Peckett, 2897 Private James	T2
	Petch, 3727 Lance Corporal Jonathan James	T2
	Raper, 6096 Private Edward	T2
	Richardson, 2910 Private Thomas	T2
	Scales, 4309 Private Thomas	T2
	Stocker, 4195 Private Jesse	T2
	Wilson, 2979 Private Richard Bagnall	T2
16 Sep:	Brewerton, 1547 Private Walter	T2
	Brown, 6013 Private John Henry	T2
	Brown, 3808 Private John James	T2

<sup>28</sup> 'Y' Company 6 DLI. Killed in Clark's trench.



	Chapman, 3021 Private John Obron	A5 VII.B.22
	Craig, 6014 Private. Thomas	T2
	Crook, 4327 Private Albert	T2
	Dobson, 4099 Private William Christopher	T2
	Elliott, 2738 Private Robert Henry	T2
	English, 3475 Private Richard Henry	T2
	Greenwood, 2033 Private Samuel	T2
	Horn, 4588 Private William	T2
	Hughes, 2792 Private Christopher	S2 XXX.F.12
	Jeffrey, 3292 Private George	T2
	Laws, 6068 Private Edward	T2
	Moreland, 3741 Private James Loftus	A5 VIII.C.18
	Parkinson, 4686 Private William	A5 VII.B.21
	Richardson, 6094 Private Henry	T2
	Robson, 3489 Private John James	T2
	Scarr, 6107 Private James	T2
	Storey, 3859 Private John William	A5 VTI.C.36
	Wheatley, 3759 Private Ernest	T2
	Whitton, 3829 Private William	T2
17 Sep:	Anderson, 1993 Private Norman John	T2
	Britton, 3017 Corporal Joseph	A5 V.J.12
	Duffy, 4434 Private George Young	T2
	Dunn, 3166 Private Thomas William	T2
	Hall, 2789 Private Austin	T2
	Harris, Lieutenant Roland James	T2
	Heighington, 2791 Private Frank	T2
	Hope, 3067 Corporal Robert Atkinson	T2
	Roberts, 2151 Private Joseph <sup>29</sup>	T2
	Suddes, 3897 Private William	A5 VII.B.8
	Wallace, 3410 Private William	T2
18 Sep:	Bryant, 2004 Sergeant Frederick	T2
	Bullough, 4429 Private Thomas	T2
	Charlton, 2nd Lieutenant William Ferrier	A5 Sp.Mem.B.5
	Lilley, 4270 Private James	T2
	Phillips, 4201 Private George	T2
19 Sep:	Homshaw, 2793 Private Robert	T2
	Ross, 2627 Private Anthony Bruce	T2
21 Sep:	Cullen, 1867 Private Peter	F1 I.F.30
	<b>Died of wounds (11)</b>	
16 Sep:	Cosgrove, 2074 Private James	M4 E.25
	Hornsby, 2784 Private Henry	D3 II.A.55
18 Sep:	Hay, 3345 Private Charles	M4 B.24
	Johnson, 2050 Private Frederick George	D5 II.C.38
19 Sep:	Blenkinsopp, 2362 Sergeant William	D5 II.B.40
	Smith, 3433 Private Robert	D5 II. A.26
21 Sep:	Gatenby, 6042 Private Edward	F1 I.F.32
23 Sep:	Grant, 6045 Private Matthew Johnson	T2
	Richardson, 2234 Sergeant John William	T2
	Young, 4214 Private James	T2
25 Sep:	Douthwaite, 2086 Private George Percy	D5 III.C.27

<sup>29</sup> 'A' Company 6 DLI.



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## Attack on Flers Line

### **Killed in action (60)**

27 Sep:	Lumley, 3318 Private James <sup>30</sup>	T2
30 Sep:	Reid, 6091 Private David	A5 VII.A.29
1 Oct:	Armstrong, 2636 Corporal James, MM	W1 VIII.G. 18
	Baker, 3101 Private Richard William	T2
	Bowman, 3711 Private James	T2
	Brown, 3364 Private Henry <sup>31</sup>	T2
	Calvert, 4198 Private George Arthur	T2
	Clark, 1567 Private James Austin	T2
	Farnaby, 3344 Private George Roger	T2
	Ferry, 6035 Private William	T2
	Fletcher, 3975 Sergeant Thomas Smurthwaite	W1 VIII.K.38
	Gent, 4298 Private Samuel	T2
	Gibbon, 1944 Sergeant Robert John	T2
	Gray, 3056 Private Robert William	W1 VIII. A. 1
	Grugan, 250895 Private Owen	T2
	Hamer, 2797 Private Charles	T2
	Hetherington, 2558 Corporal Arthur	W1 III.D.37
	Holliday, 4106 Private James	W1 VIII.H.9
	Howarth, 250465 Private Robert	W1 III.D.39
	Hughes, 1389 Private Phillip <sup>32</sup>	T2
	Jeffrey, 2437 Private John	T2
	Johnson, 250328 Private Alfred	T2
	Kidd, 1723 Private Sidney	T2
	Little, 2nd Lieutenant William	T2
	Lowther, 4463 Lance Corporal Charles	T2
	Moore, 3295 Private John George	T2
	Moss, 7095 Lance Sergeant Reginald Bertram	T2
	McGuire, 6075 Private John George	W1 VIII.K.23
	Paddison, 4678 Private Edward Ooster	T2
	Purdy, 6088 Private William	T2
	Riley, 4085 Private John	T2
	Robinson, 3870 Lance Corporal Henry	T2
	Rushbrook, 7119 Private Frank Jennings	T2
	Shannon, 1870 Lance Corporal Michael	W1 VIII. G. 11
	Shaw, 1437 Lance Corporal Frank	W1 VIII.K.34
	Shuttleworth, 250209 Lance Corporal John Foster	T2
	South, 6105 Private James Robert	W1 VIII.H.22
	Sowerby, 3534 Private Thomas	T2
	Spedding, 3799 Private Thomas	T2
	Tarry, 5513 Lance Corporal Arthur Edward	T2
	Thorogood, 7196 Private George	T2
	Thurkettle, 5502 Private Joseph James	W1 III.E.19
	Thwaites, 1507 Private George	T2
	Turnbull, 4487 Private Robert	W1 III.D.33
	Wallace, 3974 Private Robert William	T2
	Ward, 7147 Private Frederick James	T2
	Wardle, 3914 Private John Alfred	T2

<sup>30</sup> In Hook Trench.

<sup>31</sup> 'B' Company 6 DLI.

<sup>32</sup> 'W' Company 6 DLI.



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	Welsh, 2987 Private Thomas	T2
	Westnutt, 5505 Private George Albert	W1 III.D.38
	White, 3116 Private John Thomas	T2
2 Oct:	Peacock, 2nd Lieutenant David Ronald	T2
	Catchpole, 2375 Lance Corporal Robert Dodshon Keers	T2
	Lax, 1504 Bugler William	T2
	Mensforth, 2386 Private Theodore	T2
	Muir, 2854 Private Arthur	T2
	Purvis, 6086 Private William	T2
	Tweddle, 4329 Private Arthur William	T2
	Wardle, 1981 Private George	T2
3 Oct:	Brabban, 3477 Private Ernest	T2
	Peirson, 6/4747 Private Thomas Austin	D5 III.D.21
<b>Died of wounds (17)</b>		
26 Sep:	Blackett, 3222 Private Cuthbert	H4 VI.1.26
1 Oct:	Lee, 3666 Private Jeremiah Cameron	W1 VIII.J.12
2 Oct:	Johnson, 2478 Private John	B7 I.W.28
	Maughan, 2068 Corporal William Henry	D5 III.D.15
	Moody, 7143 Private George William	B7 I.W.33
	Newton, 1703 Private Harry	D5 III.D.36
3 Oct:	Graham, 3287 Private Thomas	S6 B.17.59
4 Oct:	Parkin, 4237 Lance Corporal Joseph Harold	B7 I.X.11
	Jefferson, 6057 Private John <sup>33</sup>	
5 Oct:	Catford, Lieutenant Cyril Herbert Barclay <sup>34</sup>	D5 III.E.31
	Percival, 4339 Private George Edward	S6 B.20.2
	Wray, 2976 Private John	D5 III.E.17
8 Oct:	Hull, 3158 Private Cecil	S6 B.18.6
	Wickens, 4560 Private Thomas	S7 Div.3.K.4
12 Oct:	Mason, 4714 Private Albert	G3 I.L.I
16 Oct:	King, 7175 Private Samuel	S6 B.14.6
24 Oct:	Thompson, 6/6111 Private Henry Oswald <sup>35</sup>	B7 I.Y. 16

### **Attack on Gird Line and Butte de Warlencourt**

#### **Killed in action (86)**

3 Nov:	Campbell, 4307 Private Thomas George	T2
5 Nov:	Ainsley, 6125 Private Richard Robert	T2
	Applegarth, 2nd Lieutenant Thomas Forster	W1 I.J.20
	Atthey, 6004 Private Thomas Edward	T2
	Austwick, 5741 Private Ambrose	T2
	Bacon, 5745 Private Arthur	T2
	Bailey, 5610 Private George	W1 VII.D.22
	Bainbridge, 2357 Private Oliver, MM	T2
	Barker, 250146 Private Norman	W1 VIII.D.31
	Barkess, 2018 Sergeant Joseph	T2
	Bond, 3543 Private James	W1 1.D.18
	Booth, 5738 Private Clifford	W1 VIII.C.31
	Bowden, 2607 Private John	T2
	Bream, 5615 Private George	T2

<sup>33</sup> Buried in St Mary's Churchyard, Heworth.

<sup>34</sup> Whizz Bang cartoonist.

<sup>35</sup> Accidentally detonated a German rifle grenade.



Brooks, 5618 Private Sidney George	W1 VII.D.42
Brown, 1672 Private Alfred	W1 VIII.B.7
Brunskill, 3429 Private Fred	W1 VIILB.II
Buck, 5621 Private George	T2
Campion, 5546 Private George	W1 Sp.Mem.7
Cawthorne, 6016 Private William	T2
Clark, 4879 Private Edward	W1 1.J.18
Conlon, 2372 Sergeant James	T2
Cox, 3472 Corporal George Thomas	T2
Dobson, 5734 Private Frank	T2
Drew, 7070 Sergeant Herbert	T2
Earnshaw, 5740 Private William Henry	W1 VII.D.46
Fasey, 5537 Private George Harry	W1 I.J.13
Fell, 2nd Lieutenant Harold	T2
Glover, 5540 Private Arthur Edward	T2
Grainger, 3940 Sergeant Thomas	T2
Gray, 5748 Private Leonard	T2
Harle, 2813 Corporal James Haswell	W1 VIII.C.39
Harriman, 5533 Private Henry Albert Lovey	T2
Harrop, 3432 Private Joseph	W1 VIII.D.24
Hebdon, 2211 Corporal Ralph	W1 VIII.B.6
Hodgson, 3619 Corporal Geoffrey	W1 1.G.40
Howe, 3800 Lance Corporal George Dewell	W1 VIII.E.29
Hunt, 5549 Private Robert	T2
Jaques, 4883 Private Norman	W1 VIII.D.23
Johnson, 5604 Corporal Frederick	T2
Mackey, 5539 Private Thomas Hartley	T2
Marshall, 5681 Private George	T2
Metcalfe, 3944 Private Albert	W1 VIII.G.33
Minkley, 4859 Private Oscar Harry	W1 VIII.G.39
McCallum, 5007 Private Peter McSporrton	W1 VII.D.21
Nicholson, 6128 Private Sydney	W1 Sp.Mem.50
O'Neill, 2016 Sergeant James	C3 15.J.II
Oxley, 5515 Private George Robert	W1 VII.C.35
Parsons, 5692 Private Maurice James	W1 VIII G.38
Payne, 2093 Private George	T2
Pickering, 5689 Private Alban	T2
Reveley, 5695 Private Thomas William	W1 VIII.G.40
Ritson, 2nd Lieutenant Arthur Stuart <sup>36</sup>	T2
Richardson, 2911 Private Harry	T2
Robson, 2nd Lieutenant Alfred Styan	T2
Roper, 5697 Private Mark	W1 I.G.30
Rylah, 5728 Private Ernest	T2
Rylatt, 5700 Private Albert Hedley	T2
Smith, 2264 Corporal George Henry	T2 Addenda
Smith, 5755 Private Harry	T2
Smith, 5702 Private Herbert Cornelius	T2
Smith, 5521 Private Thomas Locker	T2
Southeran, 5705 Private Charles William	W1 VIII.D.36
Stanforth, 5570 Private Donald Robert	W1 I.D.25
Steggles, 5568 Private Ernest	T2
Stephenson, 3493 Private Roger	T2

<sup>36</sup> Attached from 5 DLI.



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Stuart, 2nd Lieutenant Kenneth Bruce	W1 1.D.22
Taylor, 2403 Lance Sergeant John	T2
Taylor, 4139 Private Thomas Wailes	T2
Thorpe, 5578 Private Albert	T2
Towndrow, 5712 Private Edward	T2
Tuddenham, 5576 Private Frederick George	T2
Turnbull, 6108 Lance Corporal John	W1 VIII.B.13
Vitty, 3185 Private John	T2
Walker, 250694 Private John	T2
Walters, 1715 Lance Corporal Arthur Robinson	T2
Ward, 4780 Private John	T2
Webster, 5586 Private Herbert Frederick	T2
Welsh, 3001 Private Arthur	W1 VIII.D.29
Whall, 5588 Private George William	C3 15.A.21
Whiting, 5561 Private Edwin	T2
Wicks, 6721 Corporal Herbert Martin	W1 VII.B.15
Wilkinson, 4759 Private Thomas	T2
Wilson, 3124 Private Robert	T2
Winter, 5743 Private George	W1 VIII.E.12
Wright, 5593 Private Wilfred	W1 I.E.32

### **Died of wounds (11)**

7 Nov: Thompson, 5715 Private Thomas	T2
8 Nov: Allen, 3836 Private Francis	D5 IV.B.7
9 Nov: Smith, 2939 Private George Edward	D5 IV.B.4
Watson, 4006 Lance Corporal Jacob Walton	D5 IV.A.32
11 Nov: Smith, 3371 Private Arthur	D5 IV.A.33
Webster, 6/5563 Private George	D5 IV.A.17
12 Nov: Miller, 2853 Private Robert	S5 O.I.R.10
Nerenz, 7150 Private Arthur Oscar	P3 I.A.19
14 Nov: Mothersill, 5683 Private Frederick	S5 O II.A.6
McDonald, 5679 Private Richard	S5 O.II.A.7
22 Nov: Brant, 6/4677 Private John	S5 O.II.S.9

### **Died (1)**

23 Nov: Seales, 6/5566 Private William Edward <sup>37</sup>	S5 O.II.U.10
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## **TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES**

During the Battle of the Somme, 196 Officers and Other Ranks from the 6th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 39 died of wounds; and one died of disease - a total of 236 individuals.

<sup>37</sup> Died of tetanus. Formerly Norfolk Regiment.



## 7th Battalion DLI

The 7th Battalion DLI was the Pioneer Battalion of the 50th Division. Other DLI battalions in this Division were the 5th (150th Brigade) and the 6th, 8th and 9th (151st Brigade). During the Battle of the Somme, 'B' Company 7 DLI was attached to 149th Brigade; 'C' Company worked with the 7th Field Company Royal Engineers; and 'D' Company was attached to the 150th Brigade. The 50th Division was credited with the following Battles:

Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

11 August: By train from Godewaersvelde to Candas and from there marched to Berneuil.  
15 August: From Berneuil to Baizieux via Vignacourt, Pierregot arriving 17 August.  
26 August: 'A' and 'C' Companies to Becourt. Worked on railway line from Bottom Wood to Contalmaison and roads in Mametz area.  
4 September: Remainder of 7 DLI to Becourt.  
14 September: To Fricourt.  
25 October: Took part in operations around Starfish Line and Prue Trench. Then to Mametz.  
28-30 October: Working on communication trenches to front line.  
4-14 November: Took part in operations around Butte de Warlencourt.

### BATTALION CASUALTIES

#### In the trenches near Contalmaison

##### **Killed in action (2)**

7 Sep: Aldridge, 2399 Private William	B3 E.1
10 Sep: Landers, 4034 Private John	F1 II.D.2

#### Battle of Flers-Courcelette

##### **Killed in action (4)**

15 Sep: Thompson, 2967 Private George	P1 B.2
21 Sep: Benison, 2995 Private John Williamson	B3 H.1
Gaughan, 1590 Lance Corporal James	B3 H.2
23 Sep: Wroe, 7012 Private George	B3 F.4

##### **Died of wounds (7)**

8 Sep: Howard, 4227 Pte John	H4 IV.A.45
15 Sep: Coxon, 1595 Corporal John	C7 I.B.15
16 Sep: Richardson, 2925 Private Thomas	D5 II.C.26
20 Sep: Grant, 3021 Private William	D5 II.A.30
22 Sep: McMann, 3577 Private Richard	S6 B.17.31
24 Sep: Pringle, 3440 Private Joseph	D5 III.C.20
25 Sep: Thew, 3044 Private Robert	D5 III.C.25

#### Attack on Flers Line

##### **Killed in action (12)**

28 Sep: Coutts, 4332 Private Thomas Joseph	A5 VIII.A.39
30 Sep: Milburn, 1594 Private George	T2



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1 Oct:	Cheal, 3347 Private Thomas	T2
	Hanson, 276032 Private William Hills	W1 VII.F.31
	Logan, 276770 Private Joseph Foster	T2
	Snowdon, 7030 Private Ralph	T2
	Swinney, 2211 Private Andrew	T2
	Thornton, 3219 Corporal Ralph	F1 XI.J.8
	Waller, 3508 Private George	F1 XI.J.10
	Wilson, 2118 Lance Corporal Samuel	F1 X1.J.9
2 Oct:	Watson, 2286 Private James	W1 VIII.D.5
7 Oct:	Bennett, 4004 Private David	B4 A.8
<b>Died of wounds (8)</b>		
1 Oct:	Brackenbury, 3958 Private George Shiel	F1 VII.H.1
2 Oct:	Pearce, 4353 Private James Henry	D5 III.D.16
3 Oct:	Wrightson, 7/3041 Private James	B7 I.X.4
6 Oct:	Maughan, 7028 Private Arthur Mosely	S6 B.18.19
9 Oct:	Graham, 2270 Private James Arthur	C7 II.C.20
11 Oct:	McCann, 2nd Lieutenant William Robert	B3 B.30
15 Oct:	Harle, 2721 Corporal John	D5 III.G.27
	Retallack, 5721 Private Leonard Austin	S7 Div.3.M.3

### Attack on Gird Line and Butte de Warlencourt

#### **Killed in action (23)**

28 Oct:	Crute, 275398 Private Alexander	T2
	Johnson, 4729 Private John	T2
	Knight, 4054 Private Alexander <sup>38</sup>	W1 1.G.3
	Manchester, 2708 Private Peter	T2
30 Oct:	Walton, 3591 Private Thomas	C5 VIII.F.12
4 Nov:	Shepherd, Captain Norman Robinson	B4 A.13
5 Nov:	Bannehr, Lieutenant Harold James Thomas	T2
	Campbell, 1755 Sergeant George Armstrong	W1 III.J.14
	Collins, 2953 Private David	T2
	Emmerson, 2769 Private William	W1 III.J.17
	Green, 2nd Lieutenant John Feetham	W1 VI.J.2
	Hill, 3927 Private John William	T2
	Malia, 2946 Corporal William	W1 III.J.15
	Oakes, 1866 Private William Henry	T2
	Rusby, 3436 Private Robert Lamb	W1 III.J.16
	Wilkie, 1865 Private John George	T2
7 Nov:	Scrowther, 7/1416 Lance Corporal John Clark <sup>39</sup>	D5 IV.B.16'
11 Nov:	Cornell, 3702 Private David	T2
	Harris, 3175 Corporal George Thomas	B4 F.15
	Mills, 2796 Bugler William	B4 B.18
14 Nov:	Brack, 3446 Private Frank	C5 VIII.A.17
	Davey, 2566 Sergeant Albert, MM	T2
	Hagel, 1581 Private Henry	T2

#### **Died of wounds (7)**

27 Oct:	Thursby, 4380 Private Matthew	B4 D.17
28 Oct:	Atkinson, 2368 Private Andrew	B7 I.Y.22
30 Oct:	Robinson, 4172 Private Alfred	B7 I.Y.23
7 Nov:	Scott, 1797 Corporal Robert William	B7 I.Y.32

<sup>38</sup> No. 1 Company.

<sup>39</sup> 'D' Company.



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8 Nov: Swales, 4388 Private William Nichol, 4148 Private Joseph <sup>40</sup>	B12 I.C.14 J. 7800
2 Dec. Moon Ord, 2nd Lieutenant Charles Denton <sup>41</sup>	4.BB.2540.U
<b>Died (2)</b>	
28 Aug: Martin, 2988 Private Robert	H4 III.G.26
21 Nov: Walker, 1870 Private John William	D5 IV.C.16

## TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES

During the Battle of the Somme, 41 Officers and Other Ranks from the 7th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 22 died of wounds; and two died - a total of 65 individuals.

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<sup>40</sup> Buried in Harton Cemetery, South Shields.

<sup>41</sup> Wounded at Martinpuich, 10 October. Died of pneumonia Sunderland hospital. Buried in Ryhope Road Cemetery, Sunderland.



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## 8th Battalion DLI

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Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

10 August: From Godewaersvelde by train to Candas and a seven mile march to Prouville.

15 August: At 4 am left Prouville, via Ribeaucourt, Domart-en-Ponthieu, Bertrancourt to Vignacourt arriving 9.30 am.

16 August: To Flesselles and then to Villers-Bocage.

17 August: To Montigny, Baizieux and Baizieux Wood, remaining there for the best part of a month

10 September: To Henencourt, Millencourt, Albert and Becourt Wood.

14 September: At 7 pm to the Quadrangle on the north side of Mametz Wood. Orders received for 50th Division to attack on between High Wood and Martinpuich.

15 September: In the OG1 and OG2 trenches at Bazentin-le-Petit.

17 September: Bombing attacks on The Crescent.

18 September: Moved forward into Clark's, Swansea and Eye Trenches for attack on Prue Trench.

20 September: To Mill Road, Bazentin-le-Petit.

22 September: In the Quadrangle.

24 September: In the support line at Bazentin-le-Petit.

27 September: Moved forward to Intermediate Line and 6th Avenue.

29 September: Relieved 5 DLI. Attack on Flers Line.

1 October: Attack on the Flers Line renewed.

3 October: Withdrew to Becourt Wood and then to Henencourt Wood.

14 October: Mametz Wood for two days then back to Henencourt Wood.

23 October: Becourt Wood and Mametz Wood for ten days.

3 November: In front line (Snag Trench) preparing for attack on Butte de Warlencourt.

5 November: Attack on Butte de Warlencourt and Gird Line.

7 November: To Mametz Wood - working parties.

30 November: To Becourt and then to Warloy until end of December.

### BATTALION CASUALTIES

#### Under training in Baizieux Wood

##### **Killed in action (1)**

4 Sep: Walton, 302205 Private John Thomas T2

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##### **Killed in action (33)**

15 Sep: Brotherton, 6525 Private Joseph T2



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	Dodds, 300571 Private David <sup>42</sup>	T2
	Hindmarch, 3726 Private Thomas	T2
	Kell, 3780 Private Joseph	T2
	Martin, 3934 Lance Corporal Frederick	T2
	Peacock, 3024 Private Charles Edward	T2
17 Sep:	Bellwood, 2741 Private John	T2
	Lauderdale, 2nd Lieutenant John Maitland	T2
	Thompson, 2431 Private Wilfred	A5 VIII.C.17
18 Sep:	Alderson, 4171 Private James	A5 VIII.B.27
	Anderson, 6503 Private Tom	T2
	Black, 2983 A/QMS Benjamin, MM	T2
	Dodds, 4236 Private Henry	T2
	Featherstone, 302103 Private George	A5 VIII.B.30
	Gibson, 6569 Private Thomas	T2
	Hall, 6602 Private George Robert	T2
	Hope, 2487 Sergeant Andrew	T2
	Jackson, 302133 Private Richard	T2
	Lamb, 6611 Private Thomas Clement	T2
	Mason, 2068 Private Joseph	T2
	Robson, 2494 Private William	T2
	Rutter, 2128 Sergeant Arthur, DCM	A5 VII.E. 14
	Scott, 6667 Private Edward	T2
	Shanks, 4196 Lance Corporal James	A5 VIII.D.33
	Starling, 6668 Private John Edward	T2
	Weddell, 300564 Private George	A5 VII.E. 15
	Wick, 3072 Private Robert	A5 VIII.B.21
19 Sep:	Armstrong, 6501 Private Joseph Thomas	T2
	Hannington, 6592 Private William	T2
	McGee, 6771 Private James	T2
21 Sep:	Taylor, 4161 Private John	F1 I.F.28
	Whitfield, 2051 Acting Corporal William	F1 I.F.27
22 Sep:	Mawson, 4176 Private William George	B7 I.W.19
	<b>Died of wounds (5)</b>	
16 Sep:	Elliott, 3739 Private Martin	T2
17 Sep:	Thwaites, 2695 Private Alexander	S4 III.C.2
19 Sep:	Pedwell, 2450 Lance Corporal Joseph	D5 II. A. 24
22 Sep:	Forster, Lieutenant William Oxley <sup>43</sup>	D5 III.B.40
24 Sep:	Marsh, 6636 Private Thomas Henry	D5 III.C.28
	<b>Killed in action (1)</b>	
24 Sep:	Evans, 16218 Private Edward <sup>44</sup>	G6 III.A.20

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#### **Killed in action (40)**

29 Sep:	Arthur, 6507 Private John	T2
	Bewick, 2nd Lieutenant Ralph Nathaniel	T2
	Brown, 3854 Private George William	T2
	Calvert, 300909 Private John	T2
	Carr, 4051 Sergeant James	A5 VIII. A. 20

<sup>42</sup> Also number 3032.

<sup>43</sup> 'C' Company 8 DLI.

<sup>44</sup> Killed in action at Bazentin le Petit.



	Cooper, 3932 Private William	T2
	Cusson, 3930 Private Ernest	A5 VIII.A.21
	Dixon, 6551 Private Clifford	T2
	Featherstonehaugh, 4094 Private William Samuel	T2
	Fenton, 3571 Private Thomas	T2
	Foster, 6558 Private Joseph	T2
	Gee, 6565 Private Andrew	T2
	Gibson, 4131 Private Thomas	T2
	Harding, 6601 Private Leslie	T2
	Jackson, 3717 Private Isaac	T2
	Marwood, 3582 Private Joseph	T2
	Mason, 3817 Private Michael	T2
	Mitton, 302139 Private Harry Collingwood	T2
	Reynolds, 3541 Private Abraham	T2
	Roan, 2nd Lieutenant Walter Tait	T2
	Robson, 302172 Private Robert William	T2
	Rowden, 6660 Private Henry	T2
	Russell, 2nd Lieutenant Wallace Guthrie	T2
	Sewell, 6674 Private Thomas	T2
	Stephenson, 6750 Private Joseph	T2
	Wilson, 6713 Private Edward	T2
	Winter, 3983 Sergeant James Chadwick	T2
	Wood, 300633 Lance Corporal John William	T2
	Wright, 6694 Private John	D1 VII.F.6
1 Oct:	Curry, 302214 Lance Corporal Thomas	T2
	Firbank, 3784 Private Joseph	T2
	Gaffney, 3927 Private Peter	T2
	Hann, 3650 Private Matthew	T2
	Hudson, 3619 Private William	T2
	Maxwell, 3737 Private Thomas	T2
	Stoker, 4049 Private John	A5 VIII. A.25
	Weddle, 2393 Private Robert	T2
2 Oct:	Birkett, 3383 Private Frederick	T2
	Whalen, 2049 Private John	A5 VII. A.4
3 Oct:	Clark, 3432 Private George Henry	T2
<b>Died of wounds (6)</b>		
29 Sep:	Frost, 2nd Lieutenant Joshua	F1 II.F.6
1 Oct:	Caygill 8/6541 Private Joseph Watson	D5 III.D.32
2 Oct:	Wallace, 2nd Lieutenant Robinson	D5 III.D.26
	McArdle, 3860 Private Michael	D5 III.D.25
3 Oct:	Morrow, 6620 Private John	D5 III.D.18
4 Oct:	Bulmer, 4078 Private Edward	D5 III.E.28

### **Attack on Gird Line and Butte de Warlencourt**

#### **Killed in action (105)**

1 Nov:	Gill, 6089 Private William Henry	T2
3 Nov:	Yare, 4122 Private Thomas	W1 VII.J.47
4 Nov:	Dorkin, 302099, Private James	T2
5 Nov:	Atkinson, 301805 Private Fred	T2
	Atkinson, 300470 Private Joseph	W1 VIII.D.33
	Atkinson, 301778 Private Lawrence	T2
	Baines, 301747 Private Frederick	T2



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Banks, 2nd Lieutenant Bertie Charlton	T2
Barnett, 4195 Private Robert	T2
Beattie, 300205 Private Robert	W1 VII.E.24
Beckwith, 3520 Sergeant Alfred, DCM	T2
Bell, 3519 Corporal William	W1 VII.D.40
Benzie, 301813 Private Herbert Edward	T2
Birbeck, 2221 Lance Corporal Addison Miller	T2
Blenkiron, 2881 Private Joseph	O2 XII.Z.10
Booth, 300021 Company Sergeant Major Albert, DCM	T2
Boyd, Lieutenant William	T2
Butler, 301812 Private Ernest	T2
Carrick, 3586 Private Jonathan	T2
Chaplin, 6533 Private Frederick	W1 VI.D.25
Clarke, 301821 Private Henry William	W1 VIII.E.38
Clarney, 1840 Corporal John	T2
Close, 302082 Private John William	W1 VIII.B.10
Coates, 302080 Private Robert	T2
Collins, 2667 Private Dennis	T2
Connell, 3142 Private John	T2
Cook, 300335 Company Sergeant Major Eli <sup>45</sup>	T2
Dodds, 302096 Private Robert	T2
Dorkin, 302099 Private James	T2
Evans, 6702 Sergeant William Arthur	W1 II.E.6
Foster, 301766 Private Harry	T2
Graham, 302109 Private Mark	T2
Hair, 6767 Private Jerimiah	W1 VIII.C.36
Hall, 300940 Private Thomas	W1 VII.D.34
Harland, 2179 Corporal James	T2
Harrison, 300908 Private John	T2
Harwood, 300942 Private James <sup>46</sup>	W1 VIII.C.28
Heron, 300874 Private Edward	W1 VIII. A. 18
Hewison, 300796 Private Thomas	T2
Higgins, 301748 Private Lewis Rood	W1 VI.F.24
Hill, 2nd Lieutenant Cedric Lloyd Graham <sup>47</sup>	T2
Hill, 301780 Private James Oliver	W1 VIII. A. 19
Hodgson, 4210 Private George Albert	W1 VIII.E.34
Hodgson, 6765 Private William	W1 VI.F.12
Hopper, 300262 Private Wilfred	W1 VII.E.25
Howarth, 301782 Private John	T2
Hunter, 300036 Corporal George	T2
Hurlin, 301822 Private Joseph Arthur	W1 VIII.E.32
Illingworth, 6098 Private Charles Wilton	T2
James, 302238 Private Llewellyn	W1 VII.B.29
Jarvis, 301823 Private George William	T2
Kay, 2nd Lieutenant Melville Herbert	W1 IV.C.33
Kaye, 301793 Private Harold	T2
Key, 301777 Private John Willie	T2
King, 302911 Private Albert Walter <sup>48</sup>	T2
Lentell, 6612 Private Richard	T2

<sup>45</sup> 'B' Company 8 DLI. Mentioned in Despatches.

<sup>46</sup> 'A' Company 8 DLI.

<sup>47</sup> Attached from 5 DLI.

<sup>48</sup> Also number 6206.



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Liddemore, 6184 Private William Walter	W1 VII.E.22
Liptrot, 4177 Private James	T2
Long, 6207 Private Robert Charles	T2
Molen, 307825 Private Joshua <sup>49</sup>	W1 VII.D.31
Moore, 6634 Private James Edward	T2
Morgan, 3451 Private John	T2
Murphy, 4239 Private Philip Edward	T2
McGregor, 300766 Private Reuben	T2
Nicholls, 6774 Private Joseph	T2
Palmer, 301828 Private Thomas Charles	T2
Parlett, 1832 Private William	W1 VII.D.37
Pattinson, 301794 Private William Henry	T2
Pearson, 300221 Private Thomas	W1 IV.C.31
Perry, 301829 Private John Thomas	W1 IV.C.30
Pickles, 301795 Private James	W1 VI.F.30
Pitt, 1210 Corporal Robert William	W1 VII.E.23
Quinn, 3489 Private Andrew	W1 VII.E.26
Robinson, 301833 Private James Edward	T2
Robson, 2nd Lieutenant George William	T2
Robson, 300775 Private Robert William	W1 VII.D.35
Ryans, 4048 Private Edward	T2
Sawyer, 301808 Private John	T2
Sayers, 300991 Private William	T2
Smiles, 3597 Private George William	T2
Smith, 300682 Private Ernest	T2
Stanford, 301837 Private William Henry	W1 VII.D.32
Steadman, 301835 Private William Herbert	T2
Stevenson, 2507 Lance Corporal Albert	T2
Teasdale, 302193 Private John Joseph	T2
Telfer, 4182 Private Robert	W1 VII.D.50
Thompson, 2851 Private Ebenezer	T2
Thompson, 3574 Private William Fred	T2
Thorpe, 301755 Private Bernard	T2
Thwaites, 300295 Private Arthur	W1 IV.C.26
Tighe, 4004 Private Thomas	T2
Wainwright, 301770 Private Willie	T2
Walker, 6120 Private Albert	T2
Ward, 3900 Private Albert	T2
Watkins, 300734 Private James	T2
Watson, 302202 Private Robert	T2
Webster, 301774 Private Harold Greenhow	T2
Wentworth, 301775 Private Frank	W1 VII.B.3
Whitaker, 6175 Private Walter	W1 VIII.C.23
Wilson, 300167 Lance Corporal Jonathan	T2
Wilson, 2948 Private Thomas	T2
Wilson, 302195 Private Thomas Henry	T2
Wilson, 2269 Corporal Walter	T2
Wood, 2885 Private James	T2
Younger, 302210 Private Arthur Villers	W1 II.E.10

### Died of wounds (18)

1 Nov: Whiteford, 6188 Private Arthur	B4 A. 7
5 Nov: Crowther, 6181 Private Frank	T2

<sup>49</sup> Also number 6208.



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	Hodgson, 3686 Private Philip	B4 E.14
	Joyce, 6155 Private Michael	D5 IV.B.26
6 Nov:	Smith, 3307 Private Frank	D5 IV.B.25
7 Nov:	Newell, 3115 Private John Fenton Trainer, 6684 Private John Joseph	D5 IV.B.8 D5 IV.B.18
8 Nov:	Brett, 4323 Private William Sammon, 3466 Private Owen	D5 IV.B.1 B7 I.Y.33
9 Nov:	Buckley, 8/8101 Private John William Green, 6191 Private Charles Hussey, 4226 Private John William	S5 O.I.L.8 D5 IV.A.31 E2 XII.D.15
12 Nov:	Wilson, 2447 Private George	S5 O.II.A.2
13 Nov:	Auckland 6116 Private William <sup>50</sup> Watson, 3555 Private Thomas Noble	CE 1876 B12 II.B.10
16 Nov:	Vest, 4252 Private Robert	E2 XII.E.10A
17 Nov:	Bone, 6526 Private John George	S5 O.II.M.9
29 Nov:	Harrison, 301881 Private Daniel	D5 IV.D.30

### **In camp in Mametz Wood**

#### **Killed in action (1)**

15 Nov: Brook, 301786 Private Benjamin T2

#### **Died (3)**

3 Oct: Greathead, 490 Corporal Joseph <sup>51</sup> D. 2426

11 Nov: Warren, 5910 Private Sidney <sup>52</sup> 21. 2

15 Dec. Archer, 7384 Private George <sup>53</sup>

### **TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES**

During the Battle of the Somme, 181 Officers and Other Ranks from the 8th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 29 died of wounds; and three died - a total of 213 individuals.

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<sup>50</sup> Wounded 5 November (gun shot wound left thigh); died of wounds at sea; buried in Netley Military Cemetery.

<sup>51</sup> Died of acute pneumonia. Buried in Durham Road Cemetery, Houghton le Spring.

<sup>52</sup> From 2/8 DLI. Buried west of Congregational Chapel, Cruwys Morchard.

<sup>53</sup> From 2/8 DLI. Buried in St John's Churchyard, Hipswell.



## 9th Battalion DLI

The 9th Battalion was part of the 151st Brigade, 50th Division, III Corps, as were the 6th and 8th Battalions. Also in the Division was the 5th Battalion (150th Brigade) and the 7th Battalion (Divisional Pioneers). The 50th Division was credited with the following Battles:

Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October

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11 August: Entrained at Godewaersvelde for Candas and then marched to Prouville.  
15 August: To Vignacourt and then to Rainneville, Baizieux Wood arriving 17 August.  
10 September: To Becourt Wood.  
11-13 September: In Becourt Wood  
14 September: To Mametz Wood. Bivouacked SW corner  
15 September: In Hook trench with 6 DLI . Attacked Prue and Starfish Trenches.  
16 September: Another attack on Starfish Trench with 5th Border Regiment. Driven back.  
17-18 September: Further attacks undertaken. Withdrew to Clark's Trench.  
21 September: To south-west corner of Mametz Wood.  
28 September: In the front line in the advance to Flers Line.  
1-2 October: Attack on Flers Line. Lieutenant Colonel Bradford awarded Victoria Cross.  
3 October: Withdrew to Prue Trench and then moved to Becourt Wood.  
4 October: To Henencourt Wood.  
11 October: Back to the south-west corner of Mametz Wood.  
12-25 October: Worked on roads around Contalmaison.  
26 October- 2 November: Worked on road from High Wood to Bazentin-le-Petit.  
3 November: To Maxwell Trench to prepare for attack on Butte de Warlencourt.  
5 November: 151 Brigade's attack on Butte de Warlencourt.  
6 November: Back in Maxwell Trench. Relieved by 5 DLI. To camp in Mametz Wood.  
30 November: To Becourt and then to Warley until the end of December.

### BATTALION CASUALTIES

#### Battle of Flers-Courcelette

##### **Killed in action (63)**

15 Sep: Armstrong, 2445 Private Thomas	F1 I.F.38
Ayre, 1520 Sergeant Thomas	T2
Beaumont, 2144 Private Charles Henry	A5 VIII.C.II
Brunton, 1844 Lance Corporal James	T2
Carter, 2229 Acting Lance Sergeant John, MM	T2
Constantine, 1636 Sergeant Robert	T2
Cowan, 2283 Sergeant Thomas William Simpson	T2
Davidson, 4647 Private Isaac	T2
Dobbing, 5071 Private Albert	T2
Evans, 4265 Private Eli	T2
Graham, 4008 Private Andrew	T2
Grigg, 4010 Private Matthew	T2
Grundy, 5056 Private Henry	T2
Hannah, 3369 Private Harry	A5 VI I.E.18



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Hawley, 4056 Private William	T2
Houghton, 1252 Sergeant John James	T2
Howe, 4971 Private George <sup>54</sup>	T2
Knott, 2362 Private Archibald	T2
Knox, 3655 Lance Corporal James	T2
Lynn, 3573 Private Oliver Spencer	T2
Matthews, 3986 Private William	A5 VII.D.6
Milling, 2113 Private James Alexander	A5 VIII. C.
Miln, 2395 Corporal Ralph Bell	T2
McBryde, 4704 Private John	T2
Nolan, 2633 Private Edward	T2
Puddifoot, 2967 Private Edward Anthony	T2
Rutherford, Captain Robert	T2
Scandle, 1586 Private Andrew	F1 I.F.41
Swanston, 1774 Private Dominic	T2
Varty, 2410 Private Thomas	T2
Walker, 4041 Private Robert	T2
Walters, 4050 Private Frank	T2
Williams, 3089 Lance Corporal John Edward <sup>55</sup>	A5 VII.E.17
Williamson, 251 Lance Sergeant George	T2
Wilson, 2493 Private Stanley	T2
Woods, 2627 Lance Corporal Richard	T2
Wrightson, 2230 Private Arthur	T2
16 Sep: Bainbridge, 4099 Private John	T2
Beattie, 4307 Private Thomas William	T2
Bolton, 3922 Private Edward	T2
Boyd, 4767 Private Ralph	T2
Buckton, 1907 Private John Edward <sup>56</sup>	T2
Cassey, 1549 Private William	T2
Chambers, 3887 Private Charles Frederick	T2
Chilton, 3546 Lance Corporal Edward	T2
Edgar, 2862 Private John William	T2
Gordon, 3143 Private James	T2
Hann, 3899 Private John Henry <sup>57</sup>	A5 VII.C.30
Lawson, 2nd Lieutenant Alfred	T2
Morton, 4038 Private James Sidney	T2
Morton, 2931 Private Richard	T2
Murphy, 5023 Private Francis	A5 VII.C.29
Murphy, 5022 Private William	A5 VII.B.4
Purdy, 2851 Corporal James	T2
Reid, 1380 Lance Corporal William	T2
Sweeney, 5097 Private Richard	A5 VIII.B.29
Walton, 2nd Lieutenant Eric Alfred	T2
Winder, 2468 Private John	A5 VII.E. 16
Winter, 3934 Private Thomas	T2
15 Sep: Atkinson, 3204 Private Robert Gladstone <sup>58</sup>	T2
17 Sep: Batey, 2584 Lance Corporal James	T2
19 Sep: McKenna, 4805 Private Richard	T2

<sup>54</sup> 'C' Company 9 DLI.

<sup>55</sup> 'B' Company 9 DLI.

<sup>56</sup> 'B' Company 9 DLI.

<sup>57</sup> 'C' Company 9 DLI.

<sup>58</sup> 'C' Company 9 DLI.



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20 Sep: Temple, 3225 Private Edward	T2
<b>Died of wounds (9)</b>	
16 Sep: Armstrong, 2915 Acting Corporal Forster	D3 II.A.5
Fatherly, 3929 Private William	M4 E28
Georgeson, 1432 Lance Corporal Henry <sup>59</sup>	S4 IV.B.2
Hutchinson, 4621 Private James Heslop <sup>60</sup>	D5 II.B.9
McKie, 1958 Sergeant Daniel	F1 II.E.16
Tytler, 2nd Lieutenant James Hall	D3 II.A.43
17 Sep: Costello, 3163 Private James	H4 IV.D.74
19 Sep: Ismay, 3886 Private Thomas	H4 IV.E.44S
26 Sep: Heslop, 8/2117 Private Joseph Edward <sup>61</sup>	

### Attack on Flers Line

#### **Killed in action (16)**

28 Sep: Forbes, 3230 Private George	T2
Gregory, 2186 Lance Sergeant James	T2
Hampton, 3052 Private Henry Harford	T2
Hardy, 2058 Private Thomas Henry	T2
Simpson, 1807 Private Harold	T2
29 Sep: Kelly, 9/3509 Private William	D5 III.C.2
Scott, Lieutenant William Emiley Oscar	T2
Lockey, 1973 Private Walter	W1 VIII.G. 16
1 Oct: Ballantyne, 2561 Private Thomas	T2
Corcoran, 2435 Private Patrick	W1 VIII. J. 18
Dennison, 2769 Private Frederick John	T2
Gardner, 1435 Corporal George	T2
Nelmes, 1631 Lance Sergeant Hubert	T2
Turpin, 2207 Private James Teasdale	T2
2 Oct: Edminson, 1330 Private Norman	T2
Stewart, 2998 Private Joseph	T2

#### **Died of wounds (10)**

29 Sep: Harrison, 4125 Private George	E2 XI.D.2A
30 Sep: Guy, 1670 Corporal James William	M4 D.29
2 Oct: Brown, 2535 Private Robert	F1 I.G.34
3 Oct: Emmerson, 2294 Private George	P3 I.A.5
5 Oct: Hunter, 2123 Private Thomas William <sup>62</sup>	
6 Oct: Hannon, 3891 Private John	A2 I.F.12
9 Oct: Robinson, 1976 Private Roger	D5 III.F.27
11 Oct: Whiteley, 2nd Lieutenant Hubert <sup>63</sup>	1299
23 Oct: Collier, 4536 Private William	A2 I.E.22
31 Oct: Madden, 2187 Private Cormack <sup>64</sup>	O.3198

### Attack on Gird Line and Butte of Warlencourt

#### **Killed in action (81)**

5 Nov: Ainsley, 4768 Private James	T2
Alderson, 7230 Private William	W1 1.D.29

<sup>59</sup> 'B' Company 9 DLI.

<sup>60</sup> 'B' Company 9 DLI.

<sup>61</sup> Buried in St George's Churchyard, Mickley.

<sup>62</sup> Buried in St John's Churchyard, Greenside.

<sup>63</sup> Buried in Christ Church Churchyard, Fulwood.

<sup>64</sup> Buried in Gateshead East Cemetery.



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Ashton, 7095 Private Thomas	T2
Askew, 2155 Lance Corporal John	T2
Bailes, 7183 Private John	B10 VIII.D.6
Blenkley, 4558 Private William	W1 VIII.D.38
Bolam, 2412 Private Thomas	T2
Booty, 7233 Private Reuben	T2
Brewis, 2456 Private Walter	W1 VI.H.32
Brown, 7164 Private George	T2
Brown, 2052 Private Thomas Henry	T2
Carlton, 7090 Private George	T2
Collins, 7106 Private John William	T2
Compton, 7201 Private George	T2
Davison, 7587 Private John Stamper	T2
Davison, 7155 Corporal Tom	T2
Diggle, 3131 Private Joseph	T2
Dixon, 2658 Private George	T2
Duke, 4619 Private Thomas A.	W1 1.J.25
Eastwood, 7257 Private George	T2
Egdell, 3901 Lance Corporal Allen	T2
Elliott, 3534 Private Charles Edward	T2
Featherstone, 7258 Private Martin	T2
Fenny, 7099 Private William	T2
Firby, 1967 Private Anthony	W1 1.A.3
Foster, 4992 Private Joseph	W1 1.J.27
Garbutt, 327111 Private William	W1 VIII.F.27
Garfit, 7093 Private Harry	T2
Gill, 2654 Corporal Dan	T2
Gillies, 7092 Private Duncan	T2
Goodey, 7207 Private Henry	T2
Goose, 7026 Private Bernard Leonard	T2
Gray, 7100 Private James	T2
Gray, 4793 Private John	T2
Hardwick, 3121 Private Charles Thomas	W1 1.C.I
Hawkins, 7266 Private Samuel James	T2
Higgin-Botham, 2nd Lieutenant Charles Egerton	T2
Hill, 7265 Private Robert	T2
Hodgson, 7210 Private George	T2
Hodgson, 1341 Corporal James Edward	W1 VII.K.46
Horsnell, 7211 Private Henry Joseph	T2
Jopling, 3055 Private Reginald George	T2
Kelly, 7275 Private John	W1 VIII.D.39
Kendall, 7273 Private Francis George	T2
Lawrence, 1560 Private Samuel Joseph	T2
Mallett, 7055 Private Arthur Albert	T2
Marshall, 7214 Private Frederick	T2
Mason, 7054 Private Reginald Frederick	T2
Mayes, 7056 Private Herbert	T2
Mayland, 1862 Private Thomas Rolians	T2
Merritt, 4535 Private James	T2
Myers, 1809 Private Joseph	T2
McGurk, 7087 Private George	T2
Nicklin, 7118 Private Alfred J.	W1 1.J.29
Page, 744 Corporal James	T2



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	Paxton, 2nd Lieutenant Samuel Turvey	T2
	Pearson, 7159 Private John Reg	T2
	Pearson, 4653 Private Robert Graham	W1 VI.C.31
	Plaskitt, 2nd Lieutenant Sydney Vernon <sup>65</sup>	T2
	Pointer, 7065 Private Leslie Walter	T2
	Potts, 2nd Lieutenant Arnold Leslie Leopold <sup>66</sup>	T2
	Proudfoot, 4557 Private Arthur	T2
	Scott, 7089 Private Leslie	T2
	Sheraton, 7144 Private Robert Ainsley <sup>67</sup>	T2
	Slater, 7217 Private George Victor	T2
	Steward, 7168 Private Herbert	T2
	Stokes, 2750 Private John William	T2
	Tench, 5055 Private Richard	T2
	Thompson, 325625 Private Frederick Walker	W1 I.D.23
	Topham, 7220 Private Thomas Walter	W1 VIII.F.23
	Townend, 7171 Private Tom	T2
	Umpleby, 7176 Private Walter	T2
	Ward, 7223 Private Charles	T2
	Welford, 7163 Lance Corporal James	T2
6 Nov:	Auckland, 7555 Private Thomas	T2
	Bell, 1279 Private Joseph, MM	W1 1.G.37
	Burton, 1564 Lance Corporal Isaac	T2
	Casey, 3552 Private William	T2
	Lister, 1323 Corporal Thomas Gowland	T2
	Owen, 2576 Private Frank	T2
	Sparks, 7121 Private Thomas	W1 1.J.16
<b>Died of wounds (21)</b>		
4 Nov:	Coleman, 7243 Private James	B4 E 13
5 Nov:	Skelton, 3644 Private Richard	T2
6 Nov:	Hood, 2659 Private William	D5 IV.B.15
	Dickson, 2473 Private Frank <sup>68</sup>	T2
7 Nov:	Coverdale, 7248 Private John William	D5 IV.B.14
	Donnelly, 7192 Private Thomas Francis	A4 IV.L.6
	Edden, G/7510 Private William R.	D5 IV.B.13
	Frazer, 3085 Private Richard	D5 IV.B.17
	Loch, 7013 Private George	O1 Flesquieres <sup>69</sup>
	Thompson, 7174 Private John	D5 IV.B.9
8 Nov:	Cleamson, 2192 Lance Corporal John	B7 I.Y.42
	Ninham, 7062 Private Arthur Charles	D5 IV.B.6
	Russell, 7421 Private Charles	D7 III.E.6
	Walker, 7178 Private Samuel	S9 III.C.4
9 Nov:	Briggs, 7242 Private William Samuel	S5 O.I.L.2
10 Nov:	Holliday, 1489 Lance Corporal John	D5 IV.A.30
11 Nov:	Hirst, 7212 Private Wilfred	S5 O.II.A.5
14 Nov:	Vinton, 7221 Private Augustus	S5 O.II.C.7
15 Nov:	Raffell, 3641 Company Sergeant Major William	B14 I.I.4
16 Nov:	Slater, 2nd Lieutenant James <sup>70</sup>	12.5.1
20 Nov:	Robinson, G/2697 Private Edwin	S5 O.II.F.2

<sup>65</sup> Attached from 5 DLI.

<sup>66</sup> Attached from 7 DLI.

<sup>67</sup> 'B' Company 9 DLI.

<sup>68</sup> 'B' Company 9 DLI.

<sup>69</sup> Ger. Cem. No.2 Mem.2.

<sup>70</sup> Hesse Cemetery.



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## In camp in Mametz Wood

### **Killed in action (1)**

15 Nov: Nelson, 7061 Private Albert

P3 I.A.25

### **Died (2)**

18 Oct: Butcher, 5847 Private Thomas Henry <sup>71</sup>

128.490

17 Nov: Spencer, Captain Harry John

D5 IV.C.32

## **TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES**

During the Battle of the Somme, 161 Officers and Other Ranks from the 9th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 40 died of wounds; and two died - a total of 203 individuals.

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<sup>71</sup> Manor Park Cemetery, Screen Wall.



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## 10th Battalion DLI

The 10th Battalion DLI was part of the 43rd Brigade, 14th Division, XV Corps. The 14th Division was credited with the following Battles:

Battle of Delville Wood	15 July-3 September
Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

1 August: Arrived at Heuzecourt from Arras area where the battalion had been since 20 June.  
7 August: to Candas.  
8 August: By train to Mericourt and then marched to Dernancourt.  
12 August: To Pommiers Redoubt south of the Mammoth to Montauban road and took over the front line.  
13-14 August: To Longueval and in trenches north of the village and right of the line in Delville Wood.  
15 August: Relieved at night.  
18 August: Back to Delville Wood.  
20 August: To Fricourt and five day's rest.  
25-28 August: To Delville Wood trenches. In action to complete occupation of Delville Wood with attack on Edge Trench on 27 August.  
29 August: Relieved and to Fricourt.  
31 August: To Hornay for rest.  
12 September: To bivouacs at Dernancourt.  
14 September: To Fricourt.  
15 September: At Pommiers Redoubt and Bernafay Wood. To trenches east of Longueval to Flers road via Delville Wood.  
16 September: In major action east of Gueudecourt.  
17 September: To Pommiers Redoubt after being relieved.  
18-22 September: To Ribemont and Brévillers and Le Souich  
27 September: In Arras sector

### BATTALION CASUALTIES

#### Battle of Delville Wood

##### **Killed in action (51)**

9 Aug: Amos, 4/8055 Private Andrew	T2
12 Aug: Allen, 12309 Private John	D4 IX.H.4
Anderson, 12863 Private Robert, MM	T2
Blake, 4/10264 Acting Sergeant John	T2
Dixon, 24278 Private John Thomas	T2
Mulligan, 12855 Private John	D4 VI.E.7
Noone, 3/12172 Private Patrick	T2
O'Rourke, 12043 Lance Corporal John	T2
Warwick, 27162 Private Harry	T2
13 Aug: Robson, 7142 Private Alexander	T2
14 Aug: Armstrong, 6915 Acting Lance Sergeant Thomas	T2
Lambton, 4/9817 Private William	T2
15 Aug: Pickford, 24283 Private Arthur	T2
25 Aug: Appleton, 7155 Private John	D4 VII.G.8
28 Aug: Baird, 30935 Private William	C6 I.F.12



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Blenkinsop, 20060 Acting Sergeant William, DCM	T2
Brown, 23900 Private Joseph	T2
Carroll, 9043 Sergeant Patrick	T2
Corrigan, 11795 Private Michael	T2
Craven, 27982 Private Robert	T2
Davison, 31795 Private James	T2
Donoghue, 8715 Private James	T2
Hall, 7332 Private William	T2
Hopps, 31990 Private Arthur	T2
Irwin, 3/7180 Private Isaac	T2
Jones, 12660 Private George	T2
Lumsden, 16367 Lance Corporal David	T2
Lynn, 31845 Private John James	T2
Monaghan, 27918 Private Frank	T2
McCormack, 3/10298 Private James	T2
McMann, 4/8010 Private Joseph	T2
Nixon, 32069 Private Paul Johnson	D4 XII.C.9
Pateman, 4/9280 Private Frederick	T2
Payne, 24280 Private James	D4 V.D.5
Pearson, 32092 Private Arthur	T2
Proud, 12877 Private James Lansdale	T2
Randall, 26064 Private James	D4 VI.I.8
Robertson, 12766 Private George	T2
Sherriff, 4/10027 Private Wallace Victor	T2
Slack, 11896 Lance Sergeant John	T2
Thompson, 31957 Private George Henry	T2
Ward, 12753 Corporal Philip	D4 VII.B.3
Williams, 12559 Private Arthur	T2
29 Aug: Applegate, 23099 Private Walter	T2
Gay, 32122 Private John Arthur	T2
Lockhart, 20671 Private Robert	T2
Smart, 25958 Private Walter George	T2
Steele, 31846 Private Isaac	D4 VII.J.5
Sunley, 27258 Private Victor Oswald	T2
Timms, 24967 Private Thomas Henry	D4 XIV.G.7
Ward, 25330 Private Thomas Henry	T2
<b>Died of wounds (14)</b>	
13 Aug: Kay, 12641 Private Thomas	D5 I.C.12
14 Aug: Ronan, 16643 Private James	D5 I.C.17
27 Aug: Anderson, 12157 Private William	A1 IV.B.20
28 Aug: Hamilton, 9729 Private George William	D5 I.B.31
29 Aug: Farrell, 10279 Sergeant James	L1 II.B.9
Moody, 15995 A/CQMS William, MM <sup>72</sup>	H4 III.G.51
30 Aug: Armstrong, 30784 Private Edward	H4 III.G.67
Jones, 4/9768 Private John Benjamin	H4 III.G.59
Parker, 11850 Sergeant Mathew Veal	D5 I.B.32
Schofield, 32121 Private Arthur	C4 H.33
3 Sep: Peet, 1780 Private James Frank	S 6 B.24.13
7 Sep: Ward, 31748 Private Adam	S6 B.23.21
11 Sep: Davison, 9099 A/RSM Harry Watson <sup>73</sup>	A1 VI.K.18
13 Sep: Dadson, 25980 Private Leslie William	S6 B21.34

<sup>72</sup> A/CQMS – Acting Company Quarter Master Sergeant.

<sup>73</sup> A/RSM – Acting Regimental Sergeant Major.



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## **Battle of Flers-Courcelette**

### **Killed in action (138)**

15 Sep:	Barkas, Lieutenant John Charles Pearson	T2
	Cooper, 7335 Company Sergeant Major Wilson, DCM	T2
16 Sep:	Adamson, 42614 Private George	T2
	Alderson, 32166 Private Thomas Alfred	T2
	Allen, 24294 Private Albert	T2 Addenda
	Alnwick, 32079 Private Richard Lucock	T2
	Anthony, 24106 Private John	T2
	Armstrong, 23732 Private William	T2
	Bacon, 31798 Private Joseph	T2
	Banks, 42581 Private William	T2
	Batey, 42618 Private John	T2
	Begley, 12868 Acting Corporal James	T2
	Bennett, 11791 Private William	T2
	Bewick, 20606 Private Thomas	T2
	Bickerdyke, 4/9502 Private Richard Campbell	T2B
	Blacklock, 42688 Private Ralph	T2
	Blakey, 14863 Private John Morley	T2
	Brass, 42680 Private Thomas	T2
	Brettell, 31849 Private Edwin	T2
	Bridgett, 12341 Private Edward	T2
	Browning, 42620 Private Edward	T2
	Butler, 9979 Private George William	T2
	Carter, 30806 Private Matthew	A6 II.A.11
	Clarke, 31950 Private Joseph	T2
	Conley, 13071 Corporal Thomas Arthur	T2
	Cook, 12538 Private Thomas	T2
	Cordiner, 26008 Private Theo George	T2
	Coulson, 23122 Private Thomas	T2 Addenda
	Course, 25917 Acting Sergeant Alfred Leslie	T2
	Cowen, 23643 Private David	T2
	Cranmer, 20038 Lance Corporal John	T2
	Docherty, 31992 Private John	T2
	Dyke, 31938 Private George	T2
	Earl, 11892 Private Charles	T2
	Elliott, 31767 Private Arthur	T2
	Elsey, 12379 Lance Corporal George	A6 II.C.24
	Fairly, 4/9665 Private Patrick	T2
	Fenton, 11913 Private George	T2
	Finkle, 7844 Private Thomas	T2
	Futers, 24336 Private Albert Victor	T2
	Giblin, 42657 Private William	T2
	Gibson, 32078 Private Stanley	T2
	Gordon, 12820 Private Thomas	T2
	Graham, 2nd Lieutenant John	T2
	Graves, 32120 Private John Charles	T2
	Greaves, 12154 Lance Corporal Andrew	T2
	Greaves, 11882 Private Lawrence	T2
	Hall, 9513 Private Thomas	T2
	Hands, 42697 Private John William	T2



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Handy, 9741 Acting Corporal George	T2
Harbottle, 20846 Private Richard	T2
Harrington, 20395 Lance Corporal William John	T2
Hawkins, 31555 Private James	T2
Hebdon, 27023 Private Norman <sup>74</sup>	T2
Hedley, 8476 Private Thomas	A6 II.E.1
Henaghan, 42629 Private Bryen	T2
Hewitson, 31989 Private William	T2
Hills, 12388 Private Percy <sup>75</sup>	T2
Hodgson, 27691 Private George William	T2
Hogg, 42590 Private James	T2
Huggup, 9722 Private Winlow	T2
Hullock, 10426 Private John	T2
Hutchinson, 42723 Private Robert	T2
Hutchinson, 11819 Pte Thomas	T2
Iliff, 42730 Private Eric	A6 II.C.7
Irvine, 3/10059 Private Charles Eskine <sup>76</sup>	T2
Jackson, 4/8319 Private John Robert	T2
James, Lieutenant Wilfrid Rowland	T2
Jordan, 25306 Private William, MM	T2
Julian, 31959 Private William John	T2
Kemp, 31782 Private James	T2
Kemp, 42703 Private Robert	T2
Kinmond, 42679 Private Alex	T2
Knights, 31924 Private James Herbert	T2
Krough, 42705 Private Frederick	T2
Laverick, 12398 Corporal William, MM	T2
Leech, 27679 Private Lewis	T2
Lemon, 42728 Private David	T2
Lennon, 12253 Private Thomas	T2
Lennox, 19897 Sergeant Robert	T2
Loftus, 31601 Private Thomas	T2
Logan, 3/11528 Private Charles	T2
Lord, 42675 Private Edward	T2
Martin, 31976 Private John William	T2
Mason, 24249 Acting Corporal Frederick	T2
Matthews, 42596 Private Robert	T2
Medd, 42636 Private Victor Rowbotham	T2
Moffatt, 3/9863 Lance Corporal William Dallas	T2
Moore, 3/12264 Private John	T2
Morris, 42638 Private Richard Hall	T2
Munro, 31968 Private Alexander	T2
McIntyre, 12156 Private Robert	T2
McKenna, 3/12341 Private Joseph	T2
McLaren, 42641 Private Benjamin	T2
McPherson, 20586 Private Joseph	T2
Nattrass, 3/11876 Private George William	T2
Nicholson, 45445 Private Edward	T2
Nicholson, 30765 Private Erwin	T2
Nicholson, 42597 Private John Brown	T2

<sup>74</sup> 'D' Company 10 DLI.

<sup>75</sup> 'A' Company 10 DLI.

<sup>76</sup> 'D' Company 10 DLI.



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Noble, 27674 Private John Edward	T2
O'Brien, 3/12538 Private Michael	T2
Odger, 26104 Private Eric Charles Henry	T2
O'Donnell, 24289 Private Martin Patrick	T2
Price, 11750 Private William	T2
Ratcliffe, 42600 Private Thomas	T2
Rawling, 15242 Sergeant William	T2
Reed, 4/8911 Private Allen	T2
Renwick, 42678 Private George	A6 III. A. 17
Richardson, 42605 Private Henry Denkin	T2
Riseborough, 31796 Private George	T2
Robinson, 45448 Private Oliver	T2
Rowe, 42745 Private Robert	T2
Salkeld, 16665 Private Henry	A6 II.G.4
Scotton, 42673 Private Fred	T2
Semark, 26113 Private Albert Thomas	T2
Simpson, 31743 Private Joseph	T2
Sinton, 3/12587 Private Thomas	T2
Smales, 12468 Sergeant Fred	T2
Smith, 25942 Lance Corporal Charles Walter	T2
Stevenson, 42683 Private William Henry	T2
Stewart, Lieutenant Frederick Arnold	T2
Strong, 19856 Private James	T2
Tait, 30071 Private Joseph James	T2
Taylor, 32101 Private Arthur	T2
Taylor, 31762 Private Bertie	T2
Taylor, 12136 Private John, MM	T2
Taylor, 4/7757 Private William	T2
Waggett, 31935 Private Christopher	A6 I.C.28
Walton, 4/9318 Private Edward	T2
Watson, 42610 Private James	T2
White, 4/10151 Lance Sergeant William Edward	T2
Whittle, 2nd Lieutenant Arthur Denton <sup>77</sup>	T2
Wigham, 22533 Sergeant Christopher Mowbray	T2
Willis, 32381 Private James William <sup>78</sup>	T2
Wills, 31678 Private Frederick Elliott	T2
Wilson, 31940 Private Harold Wynn	T2
Wilson, 14814 Corporal John Albert	T2
Wright, 32084 Private Robert	T2

### **Died of wounds (25)**

16 Sep: Brown, 3/10289 Acting Lance Corporal Edward	D3 II.C.21
Close, 20039 Private James William	S6 B.19.10
Guthrie, 16369 Corporal Charles	D3 II.A.26
Murton, 11978 Private Willie Dennison <sup>79</sup>	S6 B.19.37
Scales, 15240 Private Charles	A6 II.E.19
Turnbull, 11859 Private George	B15 I.A.30
18 Sep: Cook, 32087 Private John Oughton	H4 IV.E.8
Lynn, 4/9796 Private John George	D3 II.C.13
Walton, 3/9874 Lance Corporal Edgar	H4 Sp.Mem.15
20 Sep: Clark, 27177 Private William	H4 IV.E.39

<sup>77</sup> 'C' Company 10 DLI.

<sup>78</sup> 'C' Company 10 DLI.

<sup>79</sup> 'A' Company 10 DLI.



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	Hindmarsh, 42701 Private Frederick <sup>80</sup>	D3 II.C.35
22 Sep:	Allen, 12319 Sergeant Harry Marshall	S6 B.20.67
	Clappen, 2nd Lieutenant Wilfred Joseph	H4 IV.F.24
	Williams, 10324 A/CSM Charles Frederick <sup>81</sup>	H4 IV.H.7
25 Sep:	Curzon, 25448 Private William	S6 B.23.69
28 Sep:	Dixon, 12574 Private Valentine	S6 B.19.46
	Kirtley, 24418 Private William <sup>82</sup>	
	Ridley, 4/8761 Corporal Christopher F.	C1 XVII.L.13
5 Oct:	Ferguson, 30767 Private John Henry	S6 B.20.6
	Moule, 12496 Private Charles <sup>83</sup>	C.C. 145
	Simpson, 10515 Private Henry	S6 B. 15.49
16 Oct:	Downton, 25918 Corporal William James <sup>84</sup>	E2 VIII.B.1A
18 Oct:	Davison, 28088 Private Albert	S6 B.13.46
19 Oct:	Hall, 20706 Sergeant Joseph Jobling <sup>85</sup>	2. AE.1412
1 Nov:	Lockey, 20975 Private Albert <sup>86</sup>	H. 199

## TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES

During the Battle of the Somme, 189 Officers and Other Ranks from the 10th Battalion DLI were killed in action; and 39 died of wounds - a total of 228 individuals.

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<sup>80</sup> 'D' Company 10 DLI.

<sup>81</sup> A/CMS – Acting Company Sergeant Major.

<sup>82</sup> Buried in St Cuthbert's Churchyard, East Rainton.

<sup>83</sup> Buried in Church Bank Cemetery, Wallsend.

<sup>84</sup> 'D' Company 10 DLI.

<sup>85</sup> Buried in Bishopwearmouth Cemetery, Sunderland.

<sup>86</sup> 'B' Company 10 DLI. Buried in St Joseph's RC Cemetery, North Ormesby.



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## 11th Battalion DLI

The 11th Battalion was the Pioneer Battalion of the 20th Division, XIV Corps. The 20th Division was credited with the following Battles:

Battle of Delville Wood	15 July-3 September
Battle of Guillemont	3-6 September
Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

25 July: By train to Doullens.

26 July: To Couin.

28 July: To The Dell in Colincamps/Hebuterne sector. Repaired havoc created on 1 July; employed in the support trenches and built deep dug-outs and suffered from occasional heavy shelling.

16 August: 20th Division relieved by the Guards.

20 August: By train from Candas to Morlancourt.

21 August: Marched to Citadel Camp at Carnoy and bivouacked.

22 August: In sector in front of Trones Wood including remains of Guillemont station.

23-24 August: Three Companies reached the front line.

31 August: Assembly Trenches completed at Arrow Head Copse.

3 September: To Guillemont, Trones Wood, Bernafay Wood and capture of Guillemont.

4 September: Withdrew to Carnoy but back to the front in afternoon.

5 September: Relieved and to Mericourt.

12 September: From Mericourt to Sand Pit Valley and then to Citadel Camp at Carnoy.

15 September: Marched to Talus Boise in ravine east of Carnoy.

17 September: South of Bernafay Wood.

18 September: 400 men employed for two nights on assembly trenches west of Lesboeuifs.

20 September: Back to Sand Pit Valley, except for 150 men.

21-26 September: To Maltzhorn Valley cleaning trenches and working on track between Ginchy and Marval.

27 September: Back to Talus Boise.

28 September: A draft of 45 men arrived.

29 September: To shell-holes and trenches in Trones Wood.

30 September: Occupied third line trenches west of Gueudecourt. 'C' and 'D' Companies at Waterlot Farm.

1 October: Holding front line between Gueudecourt and Lesboeuifs.

7 October: Carried trenches (Rainbow, Misty and Cloudy) west of Le Transloy.

8 October: Withdrew to Waterlot Farm.

9 October: To Meaulte and Ville-sur-Ancre for rest.

18 October: To Citadel Camp at Carnoy with X Corps, to repair roads and unloading stores.

1 November: By train from Dernancourt to Saleux and bivouacked.

2 November: To billets at Bourdon on the Somme.

8 November: To Picquigny north-west of Amiens

16 November: To Corbie.

25 November: To Citadel Camp at Carnoy by bus; to Montauban; worked on a light railway. Remained in Somme sector for the remainder of 1916.



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## BATTALION CASUALTIES

### In the trenches in the Colincamps/Hebuterne Sector

#### **Killed in action (5)**

2 Aug:	Atkinson, 12204 Private John	E4 1.D.25
	Howells, 17019 Private David John	S8 I.E.64
	McLean, 15081 Private Albert	S8 I.E.65
	Scott, 23513 Private George	S8 1.E.66
10 Aug:	Parker, 23525 Private Robert	T2

### In the trenches before Guillemont

#### **Killed in action (3)**

23 Aug:	McKie, 14805 Private Thomas	C4 C.32
25 Aug:	Traynor, 17471 Private James	D1 1.B.30
2 Sep:	Wilson, 3/10828 Private John	T2

#### **Died of wounds (6)**

27 Aug:	Clasper, 11498 Sergeant Henry Andrew <sup>87</sup>	B8 0.30
	Walton, 21346 Private Isaac	C4 B.26
29 Aug:	Mesham, 16579 Private Thomas	A1 V.H.18
31 Aug:	Plaice, 25279 Private Herbert	C4 S.26
1 Sep:	Keegan, 25272 Private Francis	D6 I.B.2
	Mudd, 30335 Private Charles Henry	A1 IV.C.19

### Battle of Guillemont

#### **Killed in action (10)**

3 Sep:	Laws, 18920 Private William (Joseph)	G5 VII.B.8
	Thrower, 16685 Private John	T2
	Wilson, 17467 Private Albert	T2
4 Sep:	Davies, 20879 Private Stephen	G5 VII.B.7
	Mohun, 15220 Private Robert	C4 B.16
5 Sep:	Blackburn, 25721 Private George	T2
	Gray, 20993 Private Ralph	B8 0.38
	Milligan, 25277 Private John	T2
	Smith, 17553 Private Alexander	T2
6 Sep:	Potter, 22509 Lance Corporal Charles Robert <sup>88</sup>	B15 I.C.II

#### **Died of wounds (7)**

4 Sep:	Brown, 14966 Private Francis	C8 2.C.12
	Noble, 13781 Private John	L1 II.B.45
5 Sep:	Connolly, 16202 Private Patrick	T2
	Scott, 21437 Lance Corporal Joseph Norman	L1 II.C.II
9 Sep:	Welch, 16653 Private Thomas	S6 B.23.45
11 Sep:	Cornish, 16233 Private John James	E2 X.D.I
12 Sep:	Rolfe, 18952 Private John George <sup>89</sup>	A1 III.B.21

<sup>87</sup> 'D' Company 11 DLI.

<sup>88</sup> 'A' Company 11 DLI.

<sup>89</sup> 'A' Company 11 DLI.





## **Battle of Flers-Courcelette**

### **Killed in action (4)**

18 Sep: Brown, 18420 Private Joseph	T2
Coulter, 25820 Private James	T2
20 Sep: Bennett, 17203 Private Robert David	T2
Thompson, 12291 Private James Martin	T2

### **Died of wounds (3)**

19 Sep: Liddle, 16026 Acting Lance Corporal John	S6 B.22.3
20 Sep: Ivison, 20731 Private John	G3 I.F.35
21 Sep: Cummins, 16984 Private John George	G3 I.H.7

## **Battle of Le Transloy**

### **Killed in action (14)**

5 Oct: Barker, 23295 Private Harry	B1 V.E.5
Barker, 33026 Private William	T2
Davison, 16046 Private Joseph William	B1 V.D.3
Griffin, 25199 Sergeant John	B1 V.E.7
Hargreaves, 16228 Private Charles	B1 V.E.2
Lister, 25745 Private John	B1 VI.D.3
Logan, 30817 Private Joseph	B1 V.E.II
McLean, 16723 Private Thomas	T2
7 Oct: Broughton, 12199 Private James	T2
Shanley, 14810 Private Francis	T2
Sheehan, 16818 Private William	T2
Wilson, 15343 Private John William	T2
12 Oct: Vans, 14759 Private Robert	B1 V.F.15
13 Oct: McCarthy, 25276 Private James	B8 F.27

### **Died of wounds (10)**

5 Oct: Bond, 32862 Private Richard Nicholson	G3 I.M.34
Hinksman, 18276 Private James	C4 Q.5
Unsworth, 21022 Lance Corporal James Cuthbert	G3 I.M.26
6 Oct: Jobes, 30839 Private Herbert Ewart	G3 I.J.6
Pounder, 32765 Private Thomas	B8 A.22
Urwin, 17968 Private William	B8 A.21
7 Oct: Ellis, 45832 Private James Henry	G4 IX.A.4
8 Oct: Ramsey, 21837 Private Charles Albert	H4 IV.J.45
10 Oct: Suddick, 17561 Private Robert	H4 III.B.40
12 Oct: McAllister, 17958 Private James Edward	G3 1.0.37

## **TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES**

During the Battle of the Somme, 36 Officers and Other Ranks from the 11th Battalion DLI were killed in action; and 26 died of wounds - a total of 62 individuals.



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## 12th Battalion DLI

The 12th Battalion DLI was part of the 68th Brigade (alongside 13 DLI, 23rd Division, III Corps. The 23rd Division with the following Battles and Actions:

Battle of Albert	1-13 July
Capture of Contalmaison	11 July
Battle of Bazentin	14-17 July - II Corps, but 23rd Division
Battle of Pozieres	23 July -3 September
Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October
Capture of Le Sars	7 October
Attacks on the Butte de Warlencourt	

## BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

24 June: Picquigny north-west of Amiens.

3 July: In reserve in trenches along the railway embankment south of Albert.

4 July: All four Battalions of Brigade to Becourt Wood. 12 DLI bivouacked in the wood and worked as carrying party to 69th Brigade.

6 July: Companies in Birch Tree Avenue, Horseshoe Trench and part of The Triangle.

7 July: Attack on Contalmaison.

8 July: Relieved and to Becourt Wood.

9 July: Attack on Bailiff Wood, part of the capture of Contalmaison.

10 July: Counter attack driven off and withdrew to Albert.

16 July: Moved up to reserve trenches before the village of Pozieres.

17 July: Attacked enemy trenches south of Pozieres. Relieved by 13 DLI.

18 July: Returned to Albert.

19 July: To Franvillers for a weeks rest.

26 July: In reserve in trenches around Contalmaison.

28 July: Becourt Wood reached.

29-30 July: 12 DLI shelled in bivouacs.

2 August: Took over front line east of Munster Alley.

4 August: To support trenches.

7 August: Withdrew from the front line to Albert.

11 August: By train from the Somme to Armentieres sector.

10 September: Returned to Somme. By train arrived at Longueau, marched to Molliens-au-Bois and then to Millencourt.

15 September: To Becourt Wood.

18 September: Took over Gourly Trench, beyond Contalmaison Villa.

22 September: After being photographed moved up to the front line in Prue Trench.

24 September: Unsuccessful attack on 26th Avenue Trench.

25 September: Temporarily relieved but back to front line.

27 September: Relieved before dawn having sustained more casualties

3 October: Relieved 5th Northumberland Fusiliers, in support trenches before Le Sars.

6 October: Began to take over the front line from 10th Northumberland Fusiliers

7 October: Attack on Le Sars. 12 DLI to attack The Tangle and the sunken Eaucourt l'Abbaye road east of Le Sars with a tank in support.

8 October: Relieved and rested at Becourt Wood.

15 October: Entrained for the Ypres sector



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## BATTALION CASUALTIES

### Battle of Albert and capture of Contalmaison

#### **Killed in action (33)**

3 Jul:	Sidey, 21225 Private Thomas	T2
6 Jul:	Day, 4/9624 Lance Corporal Victor Wallace	T2
	Hunt, 19628 Private William	T2
	Martin, 15850 Sergeant William Christopher	T2
	Mitchinson, 24410 Private James	G2 V.M.3
8 Jul:	Bell, 17708 Private Henry	T2
	Bilton, 28731 Private Harry	G2 V.L.9
	Brown, 18171 Private John Monkhouse	T2
	Colmer, 23872 Private William	B7 I.S.5
	Donaldson, 19521 Sergeant John	T2
	Elliott, 24351 Private John	T2
	Gough, 23098 Private George Sydney	T2
	Graham, 25832 Private John	G2 IV.C.4
	Horspole, 21792 Private John W.	T2
	Hunt, 17449 Acting Corporal Henry	T2
	Kennedy, 25502 Private Adam	T2
	Martin, 9865 Private Ridley Elliott	T2
	McCann, 25566 Private Lawrence	T2
	Pearson, 18640 Pte George Thomas	T2
	Punshon, 15771 Private Henry	T2
	Read, 13821 Lance Corporal Thomas Henry	T2
	Roe, 21434 Private William Thomas	T2
	Rogerson, 19343 Private Philip	T2
	Thompson, 25899 Private Christopher	T2
	Twedde, 23741 Private Thomas William	T2
	Walton, 22653 Private William	T2
	Wright, 25569 Sergeant Thomas	T2
	Young, 15717 Private Ernest	T2
10 Jul:	Bamford, 22116 Private Charles Richard	T2
	Harrison, 15338 Private Harold	T2
	Mills, 7888 Sergeant Stephen	T2
	Pounder, 24504 Private William	T2
	Sutherland, 21890 Private Albert	T2

#### **Died of wounds (4)**

6 Jul:	Davison, 18815 Private John James <sup>90</sup>	M2 D.24
7 Jul:	Parker, 19144 Private William	H4 I.F.14
9 Jul:	Dinning, 13351 Lance Corporal William	H4 II.A.25
12 Aug:	Dixon, 16150 Private William <sup>91</sup>	D.253

### Battle of Bazentin (68th Brigade attached to 34th Division)

#### **Killed in action (42)**

17 Jul:	Ayre, 25524 Private Joseph	T2
	Balf, 8359 Private John	T2
	Bamborough, 22184 Private Herbert William	T2
	Bamborough, 18077 Private Thomas, MM	T2

<sup>90</sup> 'C' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>91</sup> Wounded in his left thigh by a bullet on 8 July. Buried in Pelton Cemetery.



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Barrass, 13897 Private Robert William	T2
Bell, 25528 Private James	T2
Blake, 15860 Private Arthur	T2
Brown, 22125 Private James	T2
Brown, 22196 Private William	T2
Burton, 15732 Private George Frederick	T2
Davis, 13668 Company Sergeant Major George	T2
Davison, 3/10177 Lance Corporal Edward	T2
Dodds, 14908 Sergeant Andrew	T2
Goodwin, 16040 Lance Sergeant Charles	T2
Graver, 19557 Lance Corporal David	T2
Hall, 20903 Private Thomas	T2
Harrison, 2nd Lieutenant LeonardArthur	T2
Hetherington, Lieutenant Thomas William <sup>92</sup>	T2
Hogg, 18383 Private William	T2
Hornby, 19601 Lance Corporal Robert	T2
Irvin, 17404 Acting Sergeant Luke	T2
Johnson, 19672 Private Henry	T2
King, 14895 Private Joseph	T2
King, 25793 Private William	T2
Lee, 18818 Private Thomas	T2
Newton, 25545 Private John George	T2
Newton, 28460 Private Joseph James	T2
Palmer, 18642 Private Thomas	P4 III.F.33
Parker, 13853 Private Frank	T2
Parmley, 13909 Private Joseph <sup>93</sup>	T2
Parry, 15979 Private Herbert <sup>94</sup>	T2
Pearce-Brown, 2nd Lieutenant Richard <sup>95</sup>	P4 III.F.31
Simpson, 17106 Private John	P4 III.J.31
Smith, 22755 Private Robert Steward	P4 III.F.24
Taylor, 21197 Private William	T2
Thompson, 20945 Private George	T2
Warren, 2nd Lieutenant Theodore Stewart Wolton	T2
Willshire, 25473 Private Albert George Frederick	T2
Wolstenholme, Captain Charles Skaife	T2
Woodhead, Captain Robert Comber	T2
Young, 15956 Private William	T2
18 Jul: Barnes, 22441 Private John	P4 III.F.18
<b>Died of wounds (9)</b>	
18 Jul: Gormley, 22156 Private James, MM	W2 V.A.22
Skeen, 18896 Private John	W2 V.A.20
19 Jul: Alderson, 17160 Private Arthur William	H4 II.D.30
Mcllwraith, 19153 Private James .	H4 II.D.42
Wood, 12912 Private William	S4 I E.7
20 Jul: Johnson, 9773 Private Charles	D2 I.B.21
21 Jul: Carter, 23823 Private William Charles <sup>96</sup>	1261
24 Jul: Howes, 16524 Private Albert	H4 II.C. 1
25 Jul: Henderson, 15853 Private George Thornton	D2 I.C.15

<sup>92</sup> 'D' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>93</sup> 'C' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>94</sup> 'C' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>95</sup> 'D' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>96</sup> 'C' Company 12 DLI. Buried in Easington Lane Cemetery, Hetton.



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## **Battle of Pozieres**

### **Killed in action (8)**

29 Jul:	Barnes, 11884 Lance Corporal Alfred	B7 I.U.6
3 Aug:	Arthur, 13458 Private Thomas William <sup>97</sup>	T2
	Grievson, 19163 Private Albert	T2
	Hodgson, 17368 Private Harold	T2
4 Aug:	Sharples, 19967 Private James	T2
6 Aug:	Dowthwaite, 22138 Private George Barwise	T2
	Huggins, 22198 Private George	T2
	Marshall, 18322 Private Albert Hartas	T2

### **Died of wounds (7)**

29 Jul:	Barnes, 25519 Corporal Arthur	W2 VII.A.18
	Porter, 13209 Private Walter Harry	E2 IX.A. 15
30 Jul:	Brownley, 22365 Corporal Joseph	W2 VII.A.45
	Small, 4/8478 Sergeant John Henry	A7 I.L.39
4 Aug:	Smith, 15716 Lance Corporal Andrew Wood	E2 IX.C.8A
8 Aug:	Paddon, 28357 Private George Albany	S6 B.28.18
9 Aug:	Fisher, 10794 Company Sergeant Major John, DCM	S6 B.28.9

## **Battle of Flers-Courcelette**

### **Killed in action (8)**

21 Sep:	Armstrong, 2nd Lieutenant Cecil	C7 I.A.20
22 Sep:	Charlton, 45890 Pte Robert	T2
	Davison, 16015 Private Robert	T2
	Elliott, 45898 Private Thomas George	T2
	Fawcett, 16014 Private Thomas	T2
	Kay, 18403 Private James William	A5 V.E.28
	McLean, 18111 Corporal Hugh Alexander	T2
	Surtees, 18385 Private George	T2

## **Battle of Morval**

### **Killed in action (17)**

23 Sep:	Shutt, 13621 Private Edward	C7 II.D.17
24 Sep:	Bollom, 2nd Lieutenant Johnson	C7 II.D.16
	Brigham, 16934 Sergeant George William	T2
	Gallagher, 25497 Private Thomas	T2
	Hobson, 31893 Private James	T2
	Newton, 23738 Lance Corporal John Matthew	T2
	Nicholson, 45895 Private Thompson	P4 IV.Q.41
	Peat, 16757 Private William MM	T2
	Smith, 28439 Private John George	T2
	Wilkinson, 28095 Private James <sup>98</sup>	A5 VI.D.18
25 Sep:	Martin, 31631 Private James	T2
26 Sep:	Bolan, 25475 Private William Henry	T2
	Jack, 19145 Private Samuel <sup>99</sup>	T2
	Jackson, 11402 Lance Corporal Richard Robinson	A5 V.H.19

<sup>97</sup> 'C' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>98</sup> 'B' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>99</sup> 'B' Company 12 DLI.



Nicholson, 16441 Private Richard Forsyth T2  
 Pickles, 32011 Private Arthur T2  
 Scott, 25553 Sergeant Walter <sup>100</sup> T2

**Died of wounds (6)**

24 Sep: McLeavey, 19743 Lance Corporal Peter D5 III.C.29  
 Patten, 12/900 Private Edward James <sup>101</sup> D5 III.C.38  
 25 Sep: Whitfield, 16560 Lance Corporal Robert Clark D5 III.C.16  
 2 Oct: Carabine, 12825 Corporal Hugh D5 III.D.20  
 5 Oct: Murton, 19757 Sergeant Josiah Finney <sup>102</sup> A.C. 252  
 9 Dec. Cowley, 18664 Private Thomas Smith <sup>103</sup> 6. 6147

**Battle of Le Transloy and capture of Le Sars**

**Killed in action (54)**

5 Oct: Richardson, 32056 Private James T2  
 Rounsley, 18538 Sergeant Richard T2  
 Walton, 31870 Private Robert T2  
 7 Oct: Allen, 12321 Private William T2  
 Baker, 21834 Corporal Charles Seth T2  
 Bell, 16152 Private George T2  
 Blackburn, 21405 Lance Corporal John William T2  
 Boal, 22560 Lance Corporal Walter, MM T2  
 Brown, 16298 Sergeant Matthew T2  
 Butler, 22730 Private Joseph T2  
 Carlton, 31709 Private Herbert T2  
 Clark, 30961 Private Thomas T2  
 Cock, 31674 Private George T2  
 Denton, 23599 Private John T2  
 Dickinson, 31876 Private George T2  
 Douthwaite, 3/10392 Private George T2  
 Dunn, 4/9636 Lance Corporal Simpson T2  
 Fortune, 31622 Private George Ernest T2  
 Garland, 15013 Private Joseph T2  
 Gilfellow, 18235 Private Thomas J. W1 VIII.K.24  
 Gowland, 22201 Corporal Matthew Gray T2  
 Hammond, 42800 Private Alfred T2  
 Harling, 42801 Private Albert T2  
 Heslop, 9710 Private John William T2  
 Ingham, 45709 Private Fred T2  
 Inglis, 22130 Acting Sergeant Thomas <sup>104</sup> T2  
 Johnson, 19190 Private William W1 III.H.20  
 Lock, 42822 Private Robert Leonard T2  
 Lockett, 2nd Lieutenant William Henry T2  
 Lockyer, 42817 Private Henry James T2  
 McCarthy, 15085 Private John, MM T2  
 McGrory, 16725 Private Michael W1 III.C.3  
 Pearson, 31894 Private Edgar V T2  
 Piercey, 17597 Private James T2

<sup>100</sup> 'B' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>101</sup> 'B' Company 12 DLI.

<sup>102</sup> Buried in Hartley South Cemetery, Whitley Bay.

<sup>103</sup> Wounded in the head on 25 September. Buried in Saltwell Cemetery, Gateshead.

<sup>104</sup> 'C' Company 12 DLI.



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	Potter, 31858 Private Henry	T2
	Rape, 45865 Private Peter	T2
	Ratcliffe, 18646 Private Robert	T2
	Richardson, 31617 Private John Thomas	T2
	Ringer, 20989 Private Walter	T2
	Robinson, 25550 Private Stephen White	T2
	Ryan, 4/8694 Private William	T2
	Stephenson, 13921 Private Alexander	T2
	Taggart, 12665 Private Michael	T2
	Telfer, 2nd Lieutenant Richard Greenwell	T2
	Turnbull, 30389 Private Ernest	T2
	Walls, 24982 Cpl. George Adey	T2
	Walton, 24992 Private Rodham	T2
	Wharton, 19042 Lance Corporal James	T2
	Wilkinson, 17945 Private Albert	T2
	Wilson, 3/11837 Private Joseph	W1 VIII.H.26
	Wilson, 19103 Private John Richardson	T2
	Wynn, 20909 Private Charles	T2
8 Oct.	Murphy, 18786 Private Thomas	T2
	Wynne, 3/9469 Lance Corporal David	T2
	<b>Died of wounds (6)</b>	
7 Oct.	Pearson, 31894 Private Edgar Vincent	T2
9 Oct.	Rogers, 13831 Private James John	D5 III.F. 19
	Stanger, 25508 Private John Henry	B7 I.X.22
10 Oct.	Hird, 16049 Private Bill Ralph	D5 III.P.7
12 Oct.	Loveday, 45860 Private Ernest	S6 B. 14.49
18 Oct.	Cranney, 18651 Private John	S6 B. 13.27
	<b>Died (1)</b>	
9 Sep.	McKenry 19226, Lance Corporal Henry <sup>105</sup>	

## TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES

During the Battle of the Somme, 162 Officers and Other Ranks from the 12th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 32 died of wounds; and one died - a total of 195 individuals.

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<sup>105</sup> Memorial in Saltwell Cemetery, Gateshead.



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Battle of Pozieres	23 July -3 September
Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October
Capture of Le Sars	7 October
Attacks on the Butte de Warlencourt	

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

24 June: Picqengy north-west of Amiens.

3 July: In reserve in trenches along the railway embankment south of Albert.

4 July: All four battalions of 68th Brigade to Becourt Wood. Because of congestion, 13 DLI returned to Albert.

6 July: Returned to Becourt Wood and remained in reserve.

7 July: Took over Brigade Line trenches.

8 July: Occupied line from Birch Tree Avenue, near Peake Wood. Patrols pushed forward to Bailiff Wood, Quadrangle Trench and Contalmaison.

9 July: Patrols to Bailiff Wood.

10 July: Two platoons of 'A' Company in support of 69 Brigade. Another party from 13 DLI helped a battalion of Yorkshire Light Infantry to consolidate.

11 July: Relieved by the 1st Cameron Highlanders. Marched back to Albert.

15 July: Moved to the reserve lines.

16 July: Took over trenches from 6th Bedfordshire Regiment near Contalmaison Wood. Digging party assisted 12 DLI and was shelled.

17/18 July: Took over trenches from 12 DLI astride Contalmaison to Pozieres road.

19 July: Relieved in evening and 13 DLI withdrew to Albert through barrage of gas shells.

20 July: To Franvillers for a week's rest.

26 July: In support trenches in Contalmaison.

27 July: Took over front line in the evening in the German trench system south-east from behind Pozieres known as OG1 and OG2.

28 July: Digging of Butterworth Trench and bombing of Munster Alley. Relieved that night.

29-31 July: At Albert.

1 August: To Peake Wood.

2 August: To front line. Sap dug from Butterworth Trench and bombing post strengthened in Munster Alley.

3 August: In evening withdrew to dug-outs near Contalmaison.

4 August: Moved up again ready for attack on Torr Trench and its junction with Munster Alley. Three attempts were made with much loss.

5 August: Relieved during evening and moved back to Albert.

11 August: By train from the Somme to Armentieres.

10 September: returned to Somme. By train arrived at Longuea, marched to Molliens-au-Bois and then to Millencourt arriving on 14 September.



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15-16 September: Reached Becourt Wood and to trenches near Bazentin-le- Grand. Provided working parties for 140 and 141 Brigades form 47th Division.

17 September: Party taking bombs to 6th Londoners heavily shelled.

19 September: 'B' Company assisted 140 Brigade in regaining the junction of the Flers line and Drop Alley Trench, one mile north-east of High Wood.

20 September: 'B' Company rejoined battalion at Becourt Wood.

22 September: To support trenches near Martinpuich.

23 September: Lieutenant Colonel Lindsay wounded and leaves battalion.

24 September: 'D' Company relieved company of 11th Northumberland Fusiliers in northern outskirts of Martinpuich.

26 September: Whole battalion in line but by evening were relieved and withdrew to Becourt Wood.

3 October: Relieved 8 DLI in support trenches before Le Sars.

6 October: Began to take over the front from the 11th Northumberland Fusiliers.

7 October: Attack on Le Sars. 13 DLI to clear part of the village and establish a line beyond.

8 October: A patrol was in action at a point on the Bapaume Road well beyond Le Sars. Later relieved and returned to Becourt Wood.

15 October: Left Somme by train for the Ypres sector.

## BATTALION CASUALTIES

### Battle of Albert and capture of Contalmaison

#### **Killed in action (16)**

2 Jul:	Peveler, 18105 Lance Corporal William	T3 G. 12
8 Jul:	Dale, 23458 Private Thomas George	T2
	Green, 27414 Private John	S2 XXXVI.M.1/12
	Hollingshead, 23471 Private Frederick	T2
9 Jul.:	Ball, 17211 Private Walton Reay Matthews	T2
	Carr, 15326 Private John	T2
	Noble, 23288 Private James	T2
	Walton, 14783 Private Ernest	T2
10 Jul:	Alliston, 16432 Private William	T2
	Cairns, 23628 Private James Henry	T2
	Pulford, 21601 Corporal Harry <sup>106</sup>	T2
	Purvis, 19285 Lance Sergeant Henry	T2
	Scott, 17814 Lance Corporal John	T2
	Strickland, 22729 Private Fred	O2 III.E.5.
	Todd, 23578 Private George William <sup>107</sup>	T2
	Wearmouth, 18477 Private George	T2

#### **Died of wounds (7)**

3 Jul:	Hunt, 24817 Private Robert William	B2 I.J.29
9 Jul:	Cavanagh, 28756 Private Martin	H4 II.A.1
	Porter, 22688 Private John William	M2 D.21
11 Jul:	Ushon, 23198 Private Thomas	T2
12 Jul:	Moore, 23579 Private Wilfred	H4 II.A.57
23 Jul:	Kerridge, Lieutenant Oswald Alfred <sup>108</sup>	S6 A.4.8
28 Jul:	Atkinson, 21168 Pt. Cuthbert Charles <sup>109</sup>	N.W.1.7.

<sup>106</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>107</sup> 'C' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>108</sup> Attached from 16 DLI. Wounded on 9 July in Bailiff Wood.

<sup>109</sup> Gun shot wound in back on 12 July 1916. Buried in St Mary's Churchyard, Whickham



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## **Battle of Bazentin (68th Brigade attached to 34th Division)**

### **Killed in action (10)**

16 Jul:	Arkless, 18095 Lance Sergeant Edward George	T2
17 Jul:	Forster, 21219 Private Arthur	T2
	Smith, 20017 Private Wilfred	T2
18 Jul:	Calvert, 13245 Sergeant William	P4 III.J.5
	Johnston, 17421 Private Alfred	T2
	Siddle, 18139 Private William Matthew <sup>110</sup>	S2 V.B.13
	Thompson, 22652 Private William	T2
	Webster, 24644 Private George	T2
19 Jul:	Adams, 17157 Private John	T2
20 Jul:	Young, 13617 Lance Corporal David	T2

### **Died of wounds (4)**

18 Jul:	Jackson, 21612 Private Albert	S6 A.30.15
	Woolard, 14626 Private Thomas William	W2 V.A.34
19 Jul:	Adams, 17157 Private John	T2
20 Jul:	Smith, 11273 Sergeant Peter Butson	A7 I.J.16

## **Battle of Pozieres**

### **Killed in action (29)**

28 Jul.	Burns, 3/11229 Private Francis	T2
	Frith, 25078 Private Robert	T2
	Guy, 25106 Corporal Thomas	T2
	Johnston, 21596 Private Archibald John	T2
	Jones, 21887 Private James	T2
	McDermott, 16481 Private William	T2
	Stephens, 16902 Private William	T2
29 Jul:	McElhatton, 21154 Private Joseph	T2
30 Jul:	Sloane, 24421 Private James	T2
3 Aug:	Chilestone, 17268 Private Albert Ernest	T2
	Jopling, 24841 Lance Corporal Frank	T2
	Shearer, 19270 Sergeant Sydney	T2
	Stubbings, 16915 Sergeant Harry	T2
4 Aug:	Austin, Captain Arthur Hyndman Percy	T2
	Addison, 17159 Private Robert	T2
	Carr, 22562 Private Anthony	T2
	Etherington, 17320 Private Reginald	T2
	Martin, 23456 Private Edwin	T2
	Mordew, 24555 Private Joseph	T2
	Readman, 21628 Private John	T2
	Scholes, 13573 Lance Corporal George Mason	T2
	Target, Lieutenant Noel Alexander	T2
	Weatherley, 17943 Corporal Matthew	D4 XX.Q.3
5 Aug:	Barton, 19112 Private George Mark	T2
	Butterworth, Lieutenant George Sainton Kaye, MC <sup>111</sup>	T2
	Davison, 22667 Private Robert	T2
	Smith, 24785 Sergeant Thomas	T2
	Stitt, 25160 Private Andrew	T2

<sup>110</sup> 'C' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>111</sup> Killed by a sniper.



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Watson, 25102 Private John	T2
<b>Died of wounds (16)</b>	
2 Aug: Duncan, 18061 Private Thomas William	W2 VII.E.3.
3 Aug: Griffen, 19168 Lance Sergeant Michael	A7 I.M.51
Jones, 18674 Private George	A7 I.M.49
4 Aug: Snaith, 23663 Private Gibson	E2 IX.C.7A
5 Aug: Thompson, 2nd Lieutenant Norman <sup>112</sup>	A7 I.M.43
6 Aug: Lattimer, 23626 Private Thomas Henry, MM	W2 VII.E.42
7 Aug: Dalkin, 16144 Private Fenwick	P5 I.E.73
8 Aug: Reed, 21417 Private Charles	W2 VII.E.52
11 Aug: Laws, 16543 Private George Henry	H4 III.D.2
16 Aug: Heweson, 17399 Private Robert	S6 B.27.3
3 Sep: Naylor, Major Urmston Shaw	T2
6 Sep: Simpson, 15132 Private John Leroux	S6 B.23.24
9 Sep: Boyd, 17197 Private Alexander	E3 II.C.16
Gillie, 31610 Private Robert	T2
13 Sep: Laing, 31606 Private William Stewart	S6 B.21.16

### **Battle of Flers-Courcelette**

#### **Killed in action (10)**

17 Sep: Beart, 2nd Lieutenant Vere Leopold Dunstan	T2
Hart, 25020 Private James Edward	T2
19 Sep: Bryan, 17189 Private Robert <sup>113</sup>	T2
Dixon, 25133 Private Isaac <sup>114</sup>	T2
Evans, 16593 Private George <sup>115</sup>	T2
Gorley, 21176 Private Thomas <sup>116</sup>	T1 1.B.14
Johnson, 23723 Private Allan <sup>117</sup>	T2
Lawson, 21750 Private Arthur Smith Sinclair <sup>118</sup>	T2
Park, 46052 Private Albert <sup>119</sup>	T2
Trotter, 18707 Lance Corporal John <sup>120</sup>	T2

#### **Died of wounds (2)**

21 Sep: Hogarth, 17391 Lance Corporal James	T2
22 Sep: Jones, 23231 Private Frederick	M4 D.5

### **Battle of Morval**

#### **Killed in action (7)**

22 Sep: Thomas, 46008 Private Arthur <sup>121</sup>	T2
23 Sep: Hull, 24505 Private James Arthur	T2
Steele, 22618 Lance Corporal Stewart	T2
25 Sep: Bell, 15889 Private Francis Edgell	C7 II.D.21
Bollands, 23266 Private Andrew	C7 II D.19
Nixon, 46046 Private Adam	C7 II D.20

<sup>112</sup> Wounded on 4 August. Attached from 17 DLI.

<sup>113</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>114</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>115</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>116</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>117</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>118</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>119</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>120</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>121</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.



26 Sep: Elger, 46060 Private Walter Bernard A5 VI.H.13  
**Died of wounds (1)**  
 29 Sep: Allan, 2nd Lieutenant Frank Cecil <sup>122</sup> S6 A.9.3

**In camp in Becourt Wood**

**Killed in action (3)**

30 Sep: Mann, 2nd Lieutenant Charles Humphrey Dalla T2  
 Snowball, 17111 Lance Corporal John T2  
 1 Oct: Mosley, 21631 Private Robert T2

**Battle of Le Transloy and capture of Le Sars**

**Killed in action (24)**

6 Oct: Fairless, 22679 Private James <sup>123</sup> A5 VI.K.20  
 Gill, 17011 Private Herbert <sup>124</sup> B4 A. 3  
 Lyons, 14876 Lance Corporal Arthur T2  
 7 Oct: Atkinson, 21042, Private Gardener T2  
 Barker, 16946 Private Charles, MM T2  
 Blake, Captain Harold Frederick <sup>125</sup> W1 Sp Mem 8  
 Bland, 22119 Private Robert Andrew T2  
 Harris, 46053 Private David John T2  
 Mason, 45959 Private Charles Bury T2  
 McClelland, 23147 Private George Francis T2  
 McIntyre, 18207 Corporal John T2  
 Pinnegar, 45984 Private John George T2  
 Reilly, 13258 Corporal John T2  
 Smith, 12957 Sergeant James, MM T2  
 Smith, 19057 Private Richard Garbutt T2  
 Snaith, 23926 Private Andrew Thompson T2  
 Snaith, 18519 Private William T2  
 Wilson, 23291 Private William T2  
 Winwood, 22563 Private Joseph T2  
 Woodward, 21605 Acting Sergeant William B4 A.7  
 8 Oct: Laurie, 46029 Private George T2  
 Scott, 14440 Private John <sup>126</sup> T2  
 Wears, 46024 Private Francis T2  
 Willis, 16847 Sergeant Frank T2

**Died of wounds (6)**

1 Oct: Thompson, 20288 Private Edward B7 I.W.30  
 2 Oct: Watson, 13267 Lance Sergeant James D5 III.D.19  
 5 Oct: Johnson, 45928 Private Joseph B7 I.X.13  
 13 Oct: Bazeley, 21842 Sergeant Gordon Cecil B12 I.C.12A  
 14 Oct: Vipond, 16429 Private John Elliott, MM D5 III.G.26  
 17 Oct: Payne, 46019 Private Herbert S6 B.13.12

**Died (1)**

1 Aug: Howitt, 28909 Private Percy Gordon <sup>127</sup> A7 I.L.9

<sup>122</sup> Poison gas.

<sup>123</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>124</sup> 'B' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>125</sup> Attached from Wiltshire Regiment.

<sup>126</sup> 'A' Company 13 DLI.

<sup>127</sup> Self-inflicted gun shot wound head at Albert.



## TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES

During the Battle of the Somme, 99 Officers and Other Ranks from the 13th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 35 died of wounds; and one died - a total of 135 individuals.

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## 14th Battalion DLI

The 14th Battalion was part of the 18th Brigade (as was 2 DLI), 6th Division, XIV Corps. The 6th Division was credited with the following Battles and Actions:

Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Capture of Lesboeuifs	25 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

2 August: Arrived at Doullens from the Ypres Salient. Marched to Acheux Wood.  
11 August: To Englebelmer.  
14 August: Into the line north-east of Hamel for a five day tour.  
20-25 August: In billets at Englebelmer.  
26 August: Began move to Vignacourt arriving on 30 August.  
30 August-6 September: Under training at Vignacourt.  
6 September: Marched to Vaux-sur-Somme, then to Sand Pit Valley by 11 September.  
12 September: Moved from Sand Pit Valley to Citadel Camp, south of Fricourt and were in reserve with the rest of 18 Brigade.  
15-16 September: Part of second attack that day on the Quadrilateral (also 2 DLI). 14 DLI waited in Guillemont during the fighting but was sent forward to consolidate position where the railway crossed Ginchy to Leuze Wood road.  
17 September: Worked on assembly trench for attack planned for 18 September.  
18 September: Attack on the Quadrilateral and advance towards Morval.  
18-19 September: Relieved and reached billets at Meaulte.  
21 September: Before Lesboeuifs. 14 DLI in reserve between Trones and Bernafay woods.  
23 September; 14 DLI relieved 2 DLI and 11th Essex Regiment and held the entire Brigade front, south of Ginchy to Lesboeuifs road.  
24 September: In reserve lines. German advance halted. At night, 14 DLI relieved by 2 DLI and 11th Essex Regiment.  
25 September: Joined in general attack along the whole Allied line from the Somme river to Martinpuich. 14 DLI in reserve under heavy German bombardment.  
26 September: In the evening 14 DLI relieved 1st West Yorkshire Regiment in front line just east of the ruins of Lesboeuifs.  
29 September: Relieved early morning and by evening were in billets at Meaulte.  
30 September: To Ville-sur-Ancre for rest and to reorganise.  
7 October: Came forward to the support lines in Trones Wood.  
10 October: Under heavy shell fire in Trones Wood, where 14 DLI bivouacked.  
11 October: In assembly trench prior to attack.  
12 October: In the afternoon attacked Rainbow and Shine Trenches.  
13 October: Shelled by Germans.  
14 October: Relieved by 11th Essex Regiment.  
15 October: In morning, 62 men in support of 11 Essex. In evening, relieved 11 Essex in Rainbow and Shine Trenches.  
16 October: British shells fell short in Shine Trench. 14 DLI relieved and moved back to Montauban.  
17 October: To Ville-sur-Ancre for rest.  
23 October: Left Ville-sur-Ancre by train to Oisemont.  
29 October: Entrained for Chocques.



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## BATTALION CASUALTIES

### At Englebelmer and in the trenches north-east of Hamel

#### **Killed in action (5)**

11 Aug: Nelson, 14387 Private William Barry	A3 I.B.8
13 Aug: Burton, 18/1585 Private Edmund <sup>128</sup>	E1 I.C.4
Rivers, 18/1394 Private George Stephenson	E1 I.C.3
26 Aug: Atkinson, 24836 Corporal William	E1 I.C.2
Barnes, 18/1448 Private James William	E1 I.C.I

### Battle of Flers-Courcelette

#### **Killed in action (69)**

18 Sep: Addison, 4/8161 Sergeant Thomas, MM	D4 XIII.O.6
Bradley, 24664 Lance Corporal Isaac	T2
Carr, 17278 Private James	G4 IV.Z.9
Clarke, 45541 Private Arthur	T2
Conlon, 4/8176 Private Henry	G5 VIII. C. 2
Connor, 14751 Private William	T2
Cook, 13754 Private John	G4 IX.U.7
Cutler, 2nd Lieutenant Frank	A6 XVI.D.14
Dixon, 27247 Private Fletcher	T2
Dixon, 26149 Private John	G4 V.Z.6
Doyle, 30728 Private Robert William	T2
Gray, 16332 Private James	G4 VIII.S.7
Hand, 45547 Private Samuel	T2
Harle, 22624 Private William	T2
Herron, 23166 Private John	T2
Hodgson, Captain Clarence Mortimer <sup>129</sup>	G4 XIII. V.6
Hodgson, 13506 Private Thomas	T2
Holmes, 45522 Private George	T2
Hope, 18612 Private John Richardson, MM	T2
Horn, 26978 Lance Corporal George Wilson	T2
Hudspith, 21662 Private Robert	T2
Hughes, 24560 Private John	G4 X.Z.1
Jackson, 4/8242 Private James	T2
Jackson, 19659 Private Joseph	T2
Jamieson, 24267 Private John	T2
Johnson, 18/1468 Private Alfred	T2
Johnson, 14797 Private Joseph	T2
Jowsey, 21/36 Private William	G4 V.Z.8
Kane, 14261 Private Thomas	T2
Kirton, 15618 Sergeant Robert, MM	T2
Laidler, 15427 Private John George	G4 XI.Q.9
Liddle, 27146 Private John James	T2
Lonsdale, 18/1640 Private Harry	T2
Mileson, 45513 Private Robert Brown	T2
Milne, Lieutenant Alexander	G4 XI.Q.10
Moore, 4/8445 Lance Sergeant Albert	T2

<sup>128</sup> 'B' Company 14 DLI.

<sup>129</sup> 'B' Company 14 DLI.



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Moore, 23829 Lance Sergeant John Patrick	T2
Moore, 17073 Company Sergeant Major Wilfred Howard	T2
Mountford, 15559 Corporal Herbert Robinson	T2
Newton, 26976 Private Robert	T2
O'Brien, 21946 Lance Corporal William	T2
O'Neill, 4/7963 Private John	T2
Partlen, 15632 Corporal John James <sup>130</sup>	G4 VIII.S.3
Patterson, 23163 Private James Thomas	T2
Pearson, 26953 Sergeant George Robert, DCM	L2 10.H.4
Pearson, 14367 Private John Walker	T2
Pearson, 14346 Private Joseph	T2
Pratt, 26954 Corporal Thomas	T2
Rayment, 16777 Sergeant Richard	G4 V.Z.5
Richardson, 14173 Private John	T2
Riddle, 13456 Lance Sergeant William	T2
Robinson, 21671 Corporal Walter	T2
Robson, 15561 Private James Thorburn	T2
Scott, 30527 Lance Corporal Robert	T2
Skea, 18/1570 Private James	T2
Smith, 28350 Private Albert	T2
Smith, 23190 Private William	G4 VIII.S.5
Steen, 23463 Private Adam	T2
Vasey, 45514 Private George Henry	T2
Vitty, 14594 Private Fred	T2
Walton, 45461 Private George	T2
Watson, 26956 Private J	G5 VII.E.4
Wearmouth, 45509 Private Sidney Tarn	T2
Weir, 17840 Private Frank	T2
Wild, 2nd Lieutenant Arthur	G4 IX.U.8
Wilkinson, 4/10141 Lance Corporal Richard	T2
Wilson, 18/1453 Private George William	T2
Woodward, 45460 Private Robert Henry	T2
Wray, 1760 Private Charles Edwin	T2

### **Died of wounds (9)**

16 Sep: Christison, 18431 Lance Corporal James	G5 I.B.6
18 Sep: Donald, 14999 Lance Corporal Frederick	G3 I.F.12
Ellis, 23844 Corporal Charles	G3 I.F.6
Scott, 24471 Private Norman	G3 I.D.47
19 Sep: Addison, 13541 A/CSM John <sup>131</sup>	G3 I.F.30
Clementson, 45544 Private Wilfred Lawson	G3 I.F.26
Nielsen, 13685 Lance Corporal Robert John	G3 I.F.28
20 Sep: Lawson, 24021 Private Robert Farms	G3 I.F.25
25 Sep: Court, 9689 Corporal Harry <sup>132</sup>	R.C. 889

### **Battle of Morval**

#### **Killed in action (22)**

24 Sep: Bell, 4/10316 Private John	T2
Boggon, 14136 Lance Corporal George	T2
Herd, Captain Oswald Alexander	G4 XII.K.9

<sup>130</sup> 'D' Company 14 DLI.

<sup>131</sup> A/CSM – Acting Company Sergeant Major.

<sup>132</sup> Died of 'gas gangrene' following gun shot wounds in right thigh. Buried in Netley Military Cemetery.





	Holmes, 19607 Private Thomas	T2
	Murphy, 13399 Sergeant Joseph	T2
	Stewart, 28701 Private James	T2
	Young, 45498 Private James	T2
25 Sep:	Dalkin, 18/1508 Lance Corporal John	T2
	Griffiths, 45545 Private George	T2
	Robinson, 2nd Lieutenant Thomas Naylor	T2
	Smith, 18/1764 Private Arthur	B15 II.D.19
26 Sep:	Lowes, 25162 Private Joseph	T2
27 Sep:	Birnie, 45485 Private John	T2
	Browell, 23972 Private John Edward	T2
	Brown, 15571 Private John	S6 B.21.66
	Earl, 18/1628 Private William Edwin	T2
	Gray, 26957 Private Thomas	G4 VII.R.10
	Scrafton, 45475 Private Frederick William	G4 VT.U.5
	Thompson, 42784 Private Abel	T2
28 Sep:	Brown, 3/10400 Private Alexander	T2
	Nevins, 15274 Private Thomas	T2
	Smith, 42779 Private Herbert	G4 VII.R.9
<b>Died of wounds (8)</b>		
24 Sep:	Cowell, 15463 Private Joseph	T2
27 Sep:	Forbes, 15283 Private Michael	E2 XI.B.1A
28 Sep:	Burdon, 14283 Private Christopher	E2 XI.C.4A
	Dodds, 23958 Private Victor Bently <sup>133</sup>	B12 I.E.15
	Leers, 3/11578 Private Frederick	B8 M.22
1 Oct:	Smith, 18/1528 Private William	G3 I.K.35
3 Oct:	Pinnegar, 13652 Corporal Harry	E2 XI.F.18A
7 Oct:	Swinbank, 14569 Driver Joseph <sup>134</sup>	E. 563

### **Battle of Le Transloy**

#### **Killed in action (32)**

10 Oct:	Bruce, 45484 Private William	T2
	Knights, 42761 Private Walter Edward	T2
	Wake, 15652 Sergeant Christopher	T2
11 Oct:	Hoggett, 15613/Private John George	B1 VI.G.16
12 Oct:	Blenkinsopp, 30259 Private Anthony	T2
	Carmichael, 23157 Private Martin	T2
	Catchpole, 18/1560 Private Frederick	T2
	Conolly, 13643 Private Peter	T2
	Dixon, 18/1551 Private Frederick William	T2
	Faley, 15738 Private Ernest	T2
	Galley, 45507 Private Frank	T2
	Griffin, 15557 Private Thomas	T2
	Hellier, Acting Captain Fred	T2
	Hudson, 32733 Private James	T2
	Johnson, 32734 Private Robert	T2
	Moyle, 19165 Private Thomas Horsley	T2
	Pendington, 18/1134 Private Robert Armstrong	T2
	Rolfe, 42753 Private William	T2
	Sidgwick, 30275 Private George Edward	T2

<sup>133</sup> 'D' Company 14 DLI.

<sup>134</sup> 'C' Company 14 DLI. Buried in Escomb Cemetery, Bishop Auckland.



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	Tweddell, 20583 Private George	T2
	Usher, 22745 Private Isaac Stell	T2
	Waddle, 24848 Private John Crow	B1 VIII.H.17
	Wilson, 32538 Private James Rowland	B1 VIII. A.6
13 Oct:	Britton, 15582 Private Edward, MM	T2
	Edwards, 26947 Private Thomas	T2
	Leighton, 18/1149 Private George William	B1 VI.F.9
	Shaw, 21673 Private Joseph	T2
	Sidney, 15425 Lance Corporal Robert Gibson	T2
15 Oct:	Boden, 2nd Lieutenant Samuel Standidge <sup>135</sup>	T2
	Marshall, 4/8900 Private James	T2
16 Oct:	Thurlow, 42787 Private Alfred Henry	T2
17 Oct:	Jackson, 32471 Private Henry	T2
<b>Died of wounds (14)</b>		
10 Oct:	Palmer, 42748 Private George Benjamin	E2 XVI.E.4
	Peart, 23257 Private John	H4 IV.B.85
13 Oct:	Hopper, 16315 Private Thomas	G3 1.0.44
14 Oct:	Swindle, 2nd Lieutenant Jackson <sup>136</sup>	A2 I.F.4
15 Oct:	Sneller, 3/10305 Private James William	G3 I.L.40
16 Oct:	Maughan, 14633 Private John	G3 I.L.46
	Wink, 42792 Private George Arthur	G3 I.N.2
17 Oct:	Horabin, 32736 Private William	G3 I.N.8
18 Oct:	Welsh, 4/10391 Private William	E2 XII.A.16
22 Oct:	Thompson, 4/8306 Private Joseph W.	E2 VIII.B.13
24 Oct:	Allinson, 3306 Private Walter	G3 I.P.48
26 Oct:	Little, 18603 CQMS Oswald <sup>137</sup>	E2 VIII.D.7A
1 Nov:	Brown, 27059 Private James	E2 XII.C.19A
	Gillespie, 15282 Private Edward	S5 O.I.Q.5
<b>Died (1)</b>		
18 Sep:	Dixon, 18/1584 Private Willie	T2

## TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES

During the Battle of the Somme, 128 Officers and Other Ranks from the 14th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 31 died of wounds; and one died - a total of 160 individuals.

<sup>135</sup> Attached Machine Gun Corps.

<sup>136</sup> Wounded on 12 October.

<sup>137</sup> CQMS – Company Quarter Master Sergeant.



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## 15th Battalion DLI

The 15th Battalion were part of the 64th Brigade, 21st Division, XV Corps of the Fourth Army. The 21st Division was credited with the following Battles and Actions:

Battle of Albert	1-13 July
Battle of Bazentin	14-17 July
Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Morval	25-28 September
Capture of Gueudecourt	26 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-18 October (15 DLI not involved)

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

13 June: At Buire on the river Ancre.

18 June: Prepared for move to assembly trenches. The Divisional plan was to advance after the Germans were overrun and the sunken road reached, to pass through and take Crucifix Trench, Shelter Wood and the Quadrangle.

30 June: To assembly trenches.

1 July: In assault. By 8.30 had taken Crucifix Trench. At 13.40 advanced to Shelter Wood. In evening relieved but this was not completed until dawn.

2 July: At 6 am, 15 DLI assembled in the original British front line.

3 July: Carried up water, ammunition and bombs to 62nd Brigade in Shelter Wood.

9 July: After a few day's rest, moved forward to complete the work "so brilliantly done".

11 July: 21st Division took over the line.

13 July: Arrived at Lonely Copse, north of Fricourt.

15 July: Moved up to behind Mametz Wood in support, but returned.

16 July: In afternoon ordered to take over part of the front in Bazentin-le-Petit Wood. Reached north-east corner of Mametz Wood at dusk.

17 July: By 0600 held west and north-west portions of Mametz Wood with the 10 King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry on the right.

18 July: Relieved and bivouacked between Meaulte and Becordal-Becourt.

20 July: Moved away from the Somme to Arras sector.

1-10 September: At Izel-les-Hameaux in training for the return to the Somme.

10 September: By train to Frevent.

13 September: From Frevent to Mericourt and marched to Dernancourt.

15 September: Arrived at the Pommiers Redoubt. Came under the orders of 41st. Division. 64th Brigade to be used for fresh attack on Gird trench system west of Gueudecourt.

16 September: At 2 am started for line. Arrived 5.30 in shell holes just behind Flers Trench. At 9.15, shrapnel barrage began and 15 DLI advanced. 15 DLI got within 70 yards of the German trench, but at dusk withdrew to Flea Trench.

17 September: At dawn retired to the sunken part of the Ginchy road and then to a position south of Flers, but still under heavy shell fire. In the evening withdrawn to Pommiers Redoubt.

18 September: Moved to tents at Becordel-Becourt. Rested until 22 September

23 September: 64th Brigade relieved the 62nd Brigade at front with 15 DLI on the left.

24 September: 15 DLI gave way to troops of the 110th Brigade and went into the reserve line.

25 September: In reserve during the attack. Came up via Gap trench

26 September: At 7.15 am attack supported by a tank and aircraft. Gird Trench reached and passed and by afternoon were east of Gueudecourt. In evening, 15 DLI relieved and spent the night back on the Gueudecourt/Lesboeuifs road.

29 September: Back at Pommiers Redoubt.



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30 September: Left Pommiers by bus to Ribemont and after a few days arrived in the Bethune sector on 11 October.

## BATTALION CASUALTIES

### Battle of Albert

#### **Killed in action (140)**

1 Jul:	Aikenhead, 13671 Private William	T2
	Allan, 21227 Private Thomas	T2
	Armstrong, 17453 Acting Lance Corporal Maurice	T2
	Arthur, 20531 Corporal Joseph William	T2
	Ayre, 30179 Private Samuel	G2 IX.B.7
	Barker, 18/1653 Private Thomas	T2
	Barnes, 21257 Private John	T2
	Bell, 18260 Private James Sirell	T2
	Blair, 23935 Private Hilton	T2
	Borrett, 18/1611 Private Percy	T2
	Brewis, 20156 Corporal William	T2
	Brown, 20089 Lance Corporal Edward	G2 III.H.1
	Buchanan, 20/215 Sergeant Frederick Alexander	T2
	Burn, 20112 Private James William	T2
	Butterfield, 19416 Private Thomas	T2
	Carr, 21814 Private Cuthbert	T2
	Carr, 30813 Private Robert	T2
	Carter, 20141 Private Robert Oxnett <sup>138</sup>	T2
	Cassidy, 24480 Private David	T2
	Chatt, 13546 Private Daniel	T2
	Cinton, 22360 Private Andrew	T2
	Clarkson, 19502 Private John Henry	G2 IX.A.10
	Coatham, 18/1119 Private James Rawson	G2 IX.G.9
	Colling, 23945 Private George	T2
	Connell, 9480 Company Sergeant Major James Albert	T2
	Conquerer, 9158 Private Charles	G2 VII.D.3
	Cormack, 2nd Lieutenant Reginald Ormiston	T2
	Coulson, 23365 Private James	T2
	Cousins, 14516 Lance Corporal John	T2
	Davison, 20152 Lance Corporal William	T2
	Dawson, 18/1540 Private Arthur Lonsdale	G2 III.M.9
	Donaldson, 3/11863 Private Thomas	T2
	Dorschell, 15194 Private James	T2
	East, Captain John	T2
	Ely, Captain Denis Herbert James	T2
	Fairgreaves, 13133 Private Alfred	G2 III.M.8
	Fenwick, 4/9667 Private George	G2 IV.R.2
	Forrest, 14510 Private William	T2
	Gaffney, 14096 Corporal Peter	T2
	Gee, 30812 Private Thomas	T2
	Gill, 24636 Private James Douglas	T2
	Goldsbrough, 24542 Private Thomas William	T2
	Graham, 20121 Sergeant George	T2
	Graham, 28733 Private Robert Victor <sup>139</sup>	G2 VII.B.10

<sup>138</sup> 'C' Company 15 DLI.



Gray, 27489 Private Henry	T2
Hall, 22996 Private Thomas	T2
Hampshire, 22997 Sergeant George	L2 10.H.31
Hampton, 21954 Corporal Percy, MM	T2
Hanlon, 14560 Private Frank	T2
Harnett, 28220 Private William	T2
Hase, 11662 Acting Corporal Cyril George <sup>140</sup>	T2
Haynes, 2nd Lieutenant Clifford Skemp	T2
Heaton, 8718 Private Thomas	G2 Sp Mem.B.13
Helm, 24010 Private Edgar	G2 X.B.10
Henderson, 21967 Lance Corporal Thomas	T2
Heslop, 23695 Private William	T2
Hilton, 23716 Sergeant Robert	O2 XV.E.7
Hind, 3/12177 Private William James	T2
Hope, 21266 Private Edward, DCM	T2
Hopps, 14583 Private Joseph	T2
Howe, 22426 Private Joseph	T2
Hume, 19631 Private Robert John	T2
Huddleston; 2nd Lieutenant Maurice Louis	G2 VII.D.2
Hunter, 25159 Private Charles Henry	T2
Hunter, 30393 Private John	T2
Irwin, 18604 Private George	T2
Jackson, 12990 Private Albert Weldon	G2 VHI.D.7
Jacques, 15699 Private Frederick	T2
Johnson, 14184 Private David	G2 X.B.9
Johnson, 13383 Private John George	T2
Jones, 2nd Lieutenant John Myddelton <sup>141</sup>	T2
Jones, 23786 Lance Corporal Robert	T2
Kane, 11337 Acting Corporal Patrick, MM	T2
Kay, 30417 Private Robert	T2
Keegan, 24291 Private Edward	T2
Keenan, 21937 Private Peter	G2 IX. G. 8
Laing, 19215 Lance Corporal Thomas	T2
Lamb, 12984 Private John	T2
Lavery, 13411 Private John	T2
Laws, 30171 Private Richard	T2
Loughran, 9815 Private Thomas	T2
Lowe, 19219 Private Thomas	T2
Mangles, 14610 Private Frank	T2
Malia, 15365 Private John	T2
Miller, 20623 Private Thomas	T2
Mordall, 10458 Sergeant Thomas Byers	G2 IX.B.10
McGeoch, 22478 Private Anthony James	T2
McKeown, 24711 Private Frederick	T2
McLahaney, 21270 Acting Corporal John Hugh	T2
McNiff, 28223 Private James	O2 XIV.I.3
McSween, 20355 Private Francis	T2
Nutter, 23009 Corporal Thomas	T2
Oldham, 18/1758 Private Nicholas	L2 4.G.11
Osmond, 23243 Private Walter Henry	T2

<sup>139</sup> 'A' Company 15 DLI.

<sup>140</sup> 'D' Company 15 DLI.

<sup>141</sup> Attached from 17 DLI.



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Overfield, 3/12604 Private Daniel	G2 VII.E. 8
Peacock, 11784 Private Harold	G2 IX.G.6
Pinson, 22631 Lance Corporal Mark	T2
Priest, 14285 Sergeant Ernest	G2 X.A.4
Ramsey, 27460 Private George Thomas	T2
Robson, 23393 Private John William	T2
Rodgers, 22323 Private Albert	G2 X.B.8
Routledge, 13402 Private Henry	T2
Rumley, 21947 A/Sergeant Charles Harold	T2
Sanger-Davies, Captain Llewellyn Herbert	T2
Shaw, 25018 Private Joseph Miller	T2
Shield, 23925 Lance Corporal George Robert Swinburne	D1 II.M.5
Shires, 22423 Sergeant James <sup>142</sup>	T2
Shorter, 2nd Lieutenant Alfred George <sup>143</sup>	T2
Shotton, 16183 Private George	G2 IX.E.7
Skinner, 13702 Private John Robert	N1 1.C.84
Smith, 14498 Private Robert <sup>144</sup>	T2
Smith, 24977 Private William	T2
Snowdon, 14140 Private William Edward	G2 IX.D.I
Sowerby, 23923 Lance Corporal Harold	G2 VII.B.9
Stainson, 27514 Private James	T2
Stamper, 14568 Private Robert William	T2
Stewart, 18/1735 Private Allan	T2
Storey, 19866 Sergeant John	T2
Swinbank, 24615 Lance Corporal John Robert	T2
Taylor, 22395 Private James	T2
Telford, 28672 Private Francis Love	T2
Theaker, 22288 Private Frank William	T2
Thompson, 19252 Private William	G2 X.B.7
Thompson, 14236 Private William Elliott	T2
Tinkler, 22472 Private John	T2
Trewhitt, 21385 Acting Sergeant Frederick, DCM	T2
Turner, 24634 Private Bernard	T2
Walker, 25126 Lance Corporal Thomas	T2
Watson, 2nd Lieutenant Sydney Towers	T2
Whinney, 30579 Private George William Jackson	G2 V.H. 10
Whitelock, 22081 Private John Smith or Whitlock	T2
Wilkinson, 20094 Private Joseph Hardy	G2 IX.D.3
Willis, 14337 Acting Corporal Robert	N1 1.C.79
Wilson, 24490 Private Benjamin Robert	G2 VIII.F.4
Wilson, 30233 Private George Edward Ord	T2
Wilson, 24596 Private Henry	T2
Wilson, 18405 Company Sergeant Major John Andrew	T2
Wright, 22190 Private Joseph William	G2 IX.D.4
Wright, 28626 Private Matthew Howard	T2
4 Jul: Bailiff, 28652 Private Sam	A1 IV.F.5
<b>Died of wounds (16)</b>	
2 Jul: Hughes, 24552 Private Joseph Henry	S6 A.21.50

<sup>142</sup> 'B' Company 15 DLI.

<sup>143</sup> Shorter is shown in the CWGC list and in "Officers Died" as being in 16 DLI. But 16 DLI did not serve in France and only 15 and 18 DLI sustained casualties on 1 July. As there is no mention of 2nd Lieutenant Shorter in 18 DLI's history, it is assumed he was with 15 DLI.

<sup>144</sup> 'D' Company 15 DLI.



	Lines, 22018 Lance Corporal Cecil	H4 1.B.26
	Metcalfe, 14704 Private Richard Thomas	M3 I.D.10
3 Jul:	Ball, 28664 Private Robert	H4 1.B.36
	Young, 20297 Private Richard	D2 II.A.27
4 Jul:	Bond, 14388 Private George	H4 I.B.35
	Milburn, 24564 Private James	C8 I.B.40
5 Jul:	Wareham, 27065 Private Robert William <sup>145</sup>	A1 IV.F.2
7 Jul:	Ward, 19982 Private Samuel	E2 II.A.61A
8 Jul:	Davison, 19509 Private John James MM	S6 A.24.21
	Thompson, 20290 Private Hugh	S6 A.24.33
9 Jul:	Arthurs, 19246 Private Daniel	S6 A.25.21
11 Jul:	Douglass, 30824 Private James Robert Sinton	B13 VIII.D.107
	Fitzgerald, Lieutenant Colonel A.E. <sup>146</sup>	
14 Jul:	Upton, 22489 Sergeant George <sup>147</sup>	
9 Oct:	Dent, 20317 Lance Corporal George <sup>148</sup>	4.C.2473.

### **Battle of Bazentin**

#### **Killed in action (13)**

14 Jul:	Fish, 25176 Private William	T2
	Peek, 2nd Lieutenant Herbert Thain <sup>149</sup>	T2
	Toon, 2nd Lieutenant Harold Phillips	T2
15 Jul:	Craig, 28704 Private William Raymond	F1 VII.D.5
	Mayfield, 19748 Private Arthur	N1 1.B.79
16 Jul:	Wilson, 45752 Private Ralph	F1 I.H.10
17 Jul:	Bell, 45768 Private Norman	T2
	Bonner, 15462 Corporal William	T2
	Bromley, 21996 Private George	T2
	Crosby, 15445 Private Thomas	T2
	Donkin, 17308 Private John George <sup>150</sup>	F1 IX.K.10
	King, 20212 Private Austin	B4 Sp.Mem?
	Wainwright, 9693 Private Robert	T2

#### **Died of wounds (3)**

17 Jul:	Bellerby, 21407 Private Robert	A1 V.E.14
26 Jul:	Howse, 7636 Private Robert Duncan, DCM	S6 A.37.6
31 Aug:	Gair, 30451 Private Thomas	G1 1.D.4

### **In the Trenches**

#### **Killed in action (1)**

21 Jul:	Walker, 28839 Pte Reginald Langley <sup>151</sup>	T2
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### **Battle of Flers-Courcelette**

#### **Killed in action (138)**

10 Sep:	Tuttle, 42417 Private John W.	T2
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<sup>145</sup> 'D' Company 15 DLI.

<sup>146</sup> Wounded on 1 July 1916. Buried in The Assumption Churchyard, Twyford.

<sup>147</sup> 'B' Company 15 DLI. Wounded on 1 July 1916. Buried in Ecclesmachan Cemetery. US citizen.

<sup>148</sup> Wounded on 1 July 1916. Buried in Seaham Cemetery.

<sup>149</sup> Attached from RAMC (Royal Army Medical Corps).

<sup>150</sup> 'D' Company 15 DLI.

<sup>151</sup> As 15 DLI had left the Somme on 20 July for Arras, it is difficult to reconcile this casualty entry.



11 Sep: Spedding, 47512 Private James	T2
15 Sep: Foster, 22043 Private Edward	T2
16 Sep: Alderson, 42433 Private John	T2
Allison, 42431 Private Thomas	T2
Asbridge, 45664 Private Thomas	B16 III.L.4
Atkinson, 45674 Private Fred	C5 XXIX.F.10
Atkinson, 23206 Private Gilbert	T2
Bailey, 14463 Private Hugh	T2
Barritte, 25103 Lance Corporal John Gilbert	T2
Beckett, 14473 Corporal Henry	T2
Bell, 42435 Private Joseph	A6 II.J.6
Bradley, 23731 Private John	T2
Bruce, 42407 Private Robert Henry	T2
Cain, 45763 Private John	T2
Casey, 30406 Private James	L3 E.8
Chapman, 42441 Private George	T2 Addenda
Clark, 45667 Private Willie	T2
Clifton, 42439 Private Horace	T2
Coates, 14571 Lance Corporal Arthur William	A6 II.G.15
Cockburn, 45697 Private John	A6 III.J.13
Coleman, 28158 Private Ernest	T2
Collingwood, 45765 Private John	T2
Coulson, 21/233 Private Joseph William	T2
Cowie, 13684 Private Robert <sup>152</sup>	A6 II.L.21
Craggs, 45696 Private Edmund	T2
Craggs, 42408 Private John	A6 I.J.13
Dalrymple, 22668 Private Murray	T2
Dargue, 27331 Private Thomas	T2
Day, 13647 Corporal George	T2
Dickinson, 20085 Private Thomas	T2
Dixon, 22952 Private Frank	T2
Dobson, 30599 Lance Corporal William Christopher	A6 II.E.3
Donaldson, 14803 Lance Corporal Frederick	T2
Ellis, 7882 Sergeant Lewis Vaughan	T2
Exton, 42430 Private Thomas Richard James	T2
Firbank, 45613 Private Thomas William	T2
Fortune, 30827 Private Frederick	T2
Fox, 28772 Private Andrew	T2
Gallagher, 21805 Corporal John	T2
Garland, 2nd Lieutenant George Arthur	T2
Garry, 25172 Private Albert	T2
George, 2nd Lieutenant Edward Barcroft	A6 II.A.6
Gilfoyle, 45584 Private James	T2
Graham, 2nd Lieutenant Cedric Kenny Onslow	T2
Gray, 25180 Private John William	T2
Greener, 13696 Private William	A6 II.J.2
Grey, 45588 Private Alfred	T2
Hadden, 45703 Private John	T2
Hann, 45716 Private Joseph	T2
Harrison, 1624 Private Herbert Foster	T2
Heywood, 28640 Private James William	T2
Hill, 14288 Private Joseph	T2

<sup>152</sup> 'D' Company 15 DLI.



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Hogg, 45686 Private Thomas	T2
Holt, 42413 Private Oliver	A6 II.L.19
Howe, 1691 Lance Corporal Robert	T2
Hunter, 19649 Private Ernest	T2
Hutchinson, 3/10792 Private George	T2
Jackson, 42426 Private Joseph	T2
Jenkinson, 45644 Private Edward	T2
Johnston, 23390 Lance Corporal George William	A6 II.J.9
Jones, 18/1772 Private Reuben	T2
Kidd, 9024 Private John	T2
Laing, 42424 Private Henry	T2
Lauder, 15769 Sergeant Joseph Beaumont, MM	T2
Laybourn, 45703 Private John Carr	T2
Lock, 28873 Private William	T2
Locke, 20691 Private Joshua	T2
Lockwood, 45705 Private Thomas	T2
Lumley, 45615 Private Charles	T2
Malone, 25026 Private James	A6 III.C.14
Markham, 45707 Private Thomas	T2
Meads, 24492 Private George	T2
Meek, 45758 Private Arthur	T2
Millican, 27245 Private William Sharp	T2
Monaghan, 28755 Private David	A6 III.C.28
Moore, 23693 Private William John	A6 II.L.3
Morley, 2nd Lieutenant Arthur Selwyn, MC <sup>153</sup>	T2
Morrison, 42421 Private Albert Edward <sup>154</sup>	T2
Murphy, 30420 Private Tobias	T2
McDonough, 42464 Private James	T2
McPherson, 45566 Sergeant George	A6 I.L.2
Nash, 22188 Private John Henry	T2
Nichol, 45576 Private John Robert	A6 I.G.22
Nutbrown, 45562 Private George	T2
O'Brien, 14757 Private Edward	T2
Oliver, 30181 Private William	T2
O'Neil, 21969 Private Patrick	T2
Parker, 16745 Sergeant David	T2
Patterson, 45720 Private Frederick Wilkinson	T2
Peacock, 45670 Private John William	T2
Phillips, 42469 Private Frederick	T2
Powdrill, 42468 Private John Henry	T2
Ramshaw, 27270 Private John	T2
Raven, 42470 Private Wilfred	T2
Richardson, 42406 Private Albert William	T2
Richardson, 45665 Private John Thomas	T2
Robson, 45745 Private William	A6 III.G.9
Ross, 45563 Private Edward <sup>155</sup>	T2
Rowell, 45741 Private J.	T2
Royley, 2nd Lieutenant Harry	T2
Scott, 45748 Private Edward	T2
Sharp, 45762 Private Robert	T2

<sup>153</sup> 'B' Company 15 DLI.

<sup>154</sup> 'B' Company 15 DLI.

<sup>155</sup> 'A' Company 15 DLI.



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Sirdefield, 45906 Private Robert	T2
Smith, 3/9597 Lance Sergeant Charles	T2
Smith, 9687 Private John	A6 I.L.8
Smith, 28151 Private Thomas Hall	A6 III.C.2
Soulsby, 45743 Private James	T2
Speight, 42486 Private John	T2
Sperry, 42475 Private William Henry	T2
Spiller, 42483 Private John	T2
Spink, 18/1675 Private William Loynes	T2
Squires, 18/1676 Private Frank	T2
Swinden, 24966 Private William Henry	T2
Taylor, 27198 Private Robert	T2
Taylor, 27198 Private Robert	T2
Tazey, 45641 Private Fred	T2
Todd, 45602 Private Gordon	T2
Todhunter, 45625 Private Alfred	T2
Trimble, 14570 Private Henry	T2
Turner, 45713 Private James	T2
Tuttle, 42417 Private John William	T2
Wake, 22290 Private Thomas	T2
Walker, 14695 Private Edward	T2
Walker, 45603 Private Joseph Laurence Ellerker	T2
Walker, 42493 Private Thomas	T2
Walton, 45715 Private George Burnhope	T2
Walton, 14639 Sergeant Joseph George	T2
Webster, 42492 Private Levi William	T2
Welch, Captain Edward Ronald <sup>156</sup>	T2
Wesselhoeft, 2nd Lieutenant George Henri	A6 III J.6
White, 45754 Private James	T2
Wilde, 45714 Private Edward	T2
Wilson, 45738 Private James William	T2
Wilson, 42494 Private John	T2
Wilson, 42496 Private John William	T2
Winship, 28806 Private William Davidson	T2
Woolman, 21290 Private Abram	T2

#### **Died of wounds (14)**

18 Sep: Coulthard, 42448 Private George	L3 D.14
Henderson, 25890 Private William Taylor	H4 II.H.48
Jacob, 2nd Lieutenant Anstey Ross <sup>157</sup>	H4 IV.F.14
Metcalf, 45708 Private William	H4 IV.D.75
Searle, 28148 Private Ralph	H4 II.H.8
19 Sep: Bushell, 3/10568 Sergeant Frederick	H4 IV.E.71
Chalmers, 45647 Private John	H4 IV.E.28
Douthwaite, 21/250 Private William	C5 XXIX.D.10
20 Sep: Fenwick, 28623 Private Thomas	H4 IV.E.40
Mawson, 18/1629 Private John	H4 IV.E.43
Shaw, 45722 Private Thomas	H4.IV.E.57
21 Sep: Robson, 22147 Lance Corporal John William, MM	S6 B.17.16
26 Sep: Pringle, 13505 Private Robert <sup>158</sup>	
29 Sep: Lee, 45575 Private Henry <sup>159</sup>	U.4/17

<sup>156</sup> Attached from RAMC (Royal Army Medical Corps).

<sup>157</sup> Wounded on 17 September 1916.

<sup>158</sup> Buried in west part of St Edmund's Churchyard, Bearpark.



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## **Battle of Morval and the capture of Gueudecourt**

### **Killed in action (7)**

23 Sep: Buttery, 1583 Private James Henry	T2
24 Sep: Robinson, 30608 Private Arthur	T2
25 Sep: Williams, 13832 Private Walter	T2
26 Sep: Dixon, 45656 Private Thomas Turner	T2
Middlemiss, 28459 Private John Lee	T2
Saville, 42425 Private James William	T2
Schofield, Lieutenant James Humphrey Clare	T2

### **Died of wounds (9)**

5 Oct: Coulson, 19234 Private Edward Thomas	H4 IV.J.13
7 Oct: Boughey, 23952 Private J	W1 VIII.K.26
10 Oct: Heyward, 2nd Lieutenant Harry Neale	B8 D29
12 Oct: Ibbetson, 45658 Private Thomas	S6 B.4.43
13 Oct: Bessford, 22368 Private William Albert <sup>160</sup>	
19 Oct: Laidlaw, 45676 Private John William <sup>161</sup>	E2 XII.A.6A
30 Oct: Graham, 45605 Private Joseph Charles	E2 VIII.E.15A
12 Nov: Heywood, 42460 Private Nicholas	E2 XII.D.5A
17 Nov: Sephton, 18/1650 Corporal Robert Wilson	C2 S.25

### **Died (4)**

6 Oct: Bowes, 14709 Private Thomas William <sup>162</sup>	U.D.302
8 Oct: Grenfell, 22409 Private J. <sup>163</sup>	2.7.1810
27 Nov: Brooks, 45619 Pte H.H. <sup>164</sup>	
11 Dec: Reid, 10513 Sergeant M. <sup>165</sup>	

## **TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES**

During the Battle of the Somme, 299 Officers and Other Ranks from the 15th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 42 died of wounds; and four died - a total of 345 individuals.

<sup>159</sup> Buried in North Ormesby Cemetery.

<sup>160</sup> Buried in St Ives' Churchyard, Leadgate.

<sup>161</sup> 'B' Company 15 DLI.

<sup>162</sup> 'B' Company 15 DLI. Buried in Escomb Churchyard, Bishop Auckland.

<sup>163</sup> Buried in Saltwell Cemetery, Gateshead.

<sup>164</sup> Buried in St Thomas, Churchyard, Stanley.

<sup>165</sup> Buried in St Ives' Churchyard, Leadgate.



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## 18th Battalion DLI

The 18th (Durham Pals) Battalion DLI was part of the 93rd Brigade, 31st Division, firstly with VIII Corps and then XIII Corps. The 31st Division was credited with the following Battles:

Battle of Albert,	1-13 July - VIII Corps
Battle of The Ancre,	13-18 November - XIII Corps

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

4 June: Arrived at Courcelles and then engaged in digging assembly trenches, making dug-outs etc in preparation for the great offensive.

20 June: On the left of the line opposite the German trenches in front of the ruins of Serre. 'D' Company was to form part of the assaulting troops and was having a week's special training, attached to 16th West Yorkshire Regiment.

30 June: 'D' Company moved up to their assembly position with 15 and 16 West Yorkshire Regiment. At 22.15 the remainder of 18 DLI left Courcelles, moved north of Colincamps, and reached Maitland assembly trench at 4.50 am on 1 July.

1 July: 'D' Company joined initial assault, with the planned advance to go south of Serre and then swing to north-east. At 9.30, the remaining three companies were ordered forward to Monk Trench. At noon, 18 DLI held Monk, Flag and Maitland trenches. In the afternoon and evening reorganisation went on under German fire. 18 DLI took over the front line before nightfall.

2 July: Holding front line; wiring the front posts and collected wounded. Buried the dead.

4 July: Battalion faced high explosive and tear shells.

5 July: By 5 am, 18 DLI had been relieved and assembled at Louvencourt.

7 July: 18 DLI left Louvencourt for Bemeuil for a day's rest and then moved to La Perriere and the Bethune sector.

21 October: To Sailly-au-Bois, relieving the 12th East Yorkshires in support to the Hebuterne sector.

23 October: 'A' and 'B' Companies shelled out of their billets.

26 October: Relieved 18th West Yorkshires in Hebuterne south sector. At 'Suicide Corner'.

30 October: Relieved by 12th York and Lancashire Regiment. To Rossignol Farm.

7 November: Returned to Hebuterne south sector, relieving 14th York and Lancashire Regiment

11 November: Handed over to 18 West Yorkshires.

13-14 November: Battle of the Ancre. HQ, 'A', 'B' Companies west of Courcelles; 'C', 'D' Companies returned to Rossignol Farm.

17 November: Inter-company relief.

19 November: All companies met up at Sailly and took over Hebuterne north sector from 18th West Yorkshires.

### BATTALION CASUALTIES

#### Battle of Albert

#### **Killed in action (70)**

1 Jul:	Adamson, 18/661 Private John Robert	T2
	Bell, 18/688 Private Arthur Osborne	T2
	Berry, 18/1230 Private Thomas	T2
	Birks, 18/663 Acting Lance Corporal Arthur Reginald	T2
	Birks, 18/687 Private Harold Victor	T2



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Bobby, 2nd Lieutenantt Sidney Fitzgerald <sup>166</sup>	T2
Boyd, 18/689 Private James	T2
Broadley, 18/1293 Private John William	T2
Brown, 18/673 Private Edward Allport	T2
Brown, 18/1347 Private Harry	T2
Brydon, 18/693 Acting Lance Sergeant John Cummings	S3 I.C.21
Buckle, 18/19 Sergeant Thomas Alfred	4 I.B.I
Carr, 18/246 Lance Sergeant John	T2
Carter, 18/704 Private Edward Blakie	T2
Clarke, 18/721 Acting Lance Corporal Samuel James	T2
Cleminson, 18/232 Private Charles Norman	T2
Corker, 18/249 Sergeant Richard Robson	E4 1.B.47
Cowen, 18/717 Private Arthur	T2
Croser, 18/41 Private Arthur	T2
Davies, 18/1085 Private Charles	T2
Dickens, 18/1564 Private Frederick	T2
Errington, 18/487 Private John Robson	E4 1.B.49
Galland, 18/1183 Private Arthur Clifford	E4 1.A.52
Gardner, 18/752 Private Tom	S3 I.B.57
Gilbert, 18/278 Lance Corporal Robert William	E4 1.A.28
Grieves, 18/755 Private Edward	S3 1.A.19
Hall, 18/763 Sergeant John Herbert Furlong	S3 1.G.51
Harrison, 18/1591 Private Thomas Ellis	E4 1.B.36
Hatton, 18/76 Lance Corporal William	E4 1.D.11
Hoy, 18/77 Private Arthur	T2
Hutchinson, 18/1084 Private John Alderson	T2
Kane, 11337 Acting Corporal Patrick, MM	T2
Lucas, 18/794 Private Thomas Henry	T2
Milburn, 18/120 Lance Sergeant John, MM	T2
Miller, 18/1171 Private Robert	T2
Monks, 18/1222 Private Henry Charles	T2
Needham, 18/1489 Private Herbert Ward	S3 1.E.22
Newby, 18/814 Private Henry	S3 1.G.50
Pickering, 18/1587 Private Richard	T2
Pike, 18/1191 Private William Vincent	T2
Powell, 18/822 Private Harry	T2
Purdy, 1622 Private Robert	S3 I.B.2
Reinecker, 18/831 Private John Amo	T2
Robinson, 18/832 Corporal John James	T2
Robson, 18/836 Private John Eliot	S3 1.C.23
Robson, 18/833 Sergeant Robert Henry	E4 1.A.27
Rowlands, 18/834 Private John Thomas	T2
Rushton, 18/842 Private William Henry	T2
Scott, 18/844 Lance Sergeant Henry Arthur	S3 1.G.47
Scott, 18/1192 Private John Simpson	T2
Shaw, 18/847 Lance Corporal Harry	T2
Smurthwaite, 18/594 Private William	E4 1.B.21
Snow, 18/379 Corporal Philip Arthur	T2
Taylerson, 18/961 Acting Lance Corporal Robert	S3 1.B.4
Thompson, 18/1049 Acting Lance Corporal Harry Abdale	T2
Thornton, 18/882 Private Albert Clennett	S3 1.G.48
Thornton, 18/1306 Private Charles	S3 1.E.36

<sup>166</sup> Attached 93rd Trench Mortar Battery.



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	Turnbull, 18/871 Lance Corporal Richard	T2
	Vickers, 18/401 Acting Lance Corporal Arthur Dodds	T2
	Walker, 18/1069 Private Herbert Leslie	T2
	Walker, 18/885 Private William	T2
	Ward, 18/896 Private Alfred	T2
	Weighill, 18/963 Private Herbert	T2
	Williams, 18/650 Private Thomas Wynn	T2
	Willson, 18/909 Private Robert	T2
	Wilson, 18/1245 Private William Arnold	T2
	Wilson, 18/914 Acting Lance Sergeant William Worthington	T2
	Wood, 18/913 Corporal Andrew Robert	T2
2 Jul:	Baggott, 18/686 Acting Lance Corporal Thomas	T2
4 Jul:	Simpson, Lieutenant George	E4 1.B.59
<b>Died of wounds (15)</b>		
1 Jul:	Bennett, 18/230 Private James West	E4 I.B.20
2 Jul:	Raine, 2nd Lieutenant George Kenneth	G1 1.A.11
3 Jul:	Atkinson 21/316 Private William Watson	B9 I.E.22
	Bell, 2nd Lieutenant William	B6 A. 11
	Davies, 18/1323 Private Edward Arthur <sup>167</sup>	E3 II.E.
	Dowse, 18/47 Acting Lance Corporal John Norman	C9 I.D.1
	Williams, 18/1327 Private John Wynne	D8 IV.B.9
4 Jul:	Penberthy, 18/977 Private James Wilfred	C9 I.D.6
5 Jul:	Woodward, 18/629 Private Thomas	S7 Div.I9.II.5
10 Jul:	Corner, 18/242 Private Arthur Henry <sup>168</sup>	
12 Jul:	Loudon, 18/796 Corporal Benjamin Howard	E2 II.B.79A
28 Jul:	Richardson, 18/579 Private Alexander Lester	C1 VIII.J.28
29 Jul:	Williams, 18/635 Private John <sup>169</sup>	A1 III.D.7
5 Aug:	Notley, 30187 Private Walter	P5 II.C.74
10 Aug:	Barnard, 18/11 Private John <sup>170</sup>	A.5.N.
<b>Died (4)</b>		
14 Jul:	Witham, 18/1071 Private H. <sup>171</sup>	697
22 Jul:	Robertson, 18/371 Sergeant Archibald <sup>172</sup>	E.B.32
5 Aug:	Lockey, 18/319 Private A. <sup>173</sup>	
27 Aug:	Chester, 18/1386 Private Arthur <sup>174</sup>	C.E.1841

### **Battle of the Ancre Heights**

#### **Killed in action (2)**

26 Oct:	Gowling, 18/66 Private Arthur	S1 H.C.10
12 Nov:	Christopher, 18/1154 Private John Robert	H3 II.E.2

#### **Died of wounds (1)**

24 Nov:	Thompson, 21/373 Private Wilfrid John <sup>175</sup>	New A.124."U"
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<sup>167</sup> 'C' Company 18 DLI. Attached Light Trench Mortar Battery.

<sup>168</sup> Gassed on 1 July 1916. Buried in south-west part of St James's Churchyard, Coundon.

<sup>169</sup> 'C' Company 18 DLI.

<sup>170</sup> Buried in Oxbridge Lane Cemetery, Stockton on Tees.

<sup>171</sup> Buried in St Mary's Churchyard, Moston.

<sup>172</sup> Buried in Cathays Cemetery, Cardiff.

<sup>173</sup> Buried in east corner of St Andrews New Churchyard, Auckland.

<sup>174</sup> Buried in Netley Military Cemetery.

<sup>175</sup> Buried in Hartlepool North Cemetery.



## TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES

During the Battle of the Somme, 72 Officers and Other Ranks from the 18th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 16 died of wounds; and four died - a total of 92 individuals.

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## 19th Battalion DLI

The 19th (Bantams) Battalion DLI was part of the 106th Brigade, 35th Division, XIII Corps. The 35th Division was credited with the following Battle:

Battle of Albert	1-13 July (106th Brigade, however, not involved)
Battle of Delville Wood	15 July-3 September (when 19 DLI was under command of 9th Division)

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

2 July: By train south from Chocques to Frevent. Then marched via Le Souich, Bois de Warnimont and Bresle to Bois des Tailles, west of Bray-sur-Somme.

15 July: Reached trenches behind Montauban. Under shell fire which caused some casualties. Came under orders of 9th Division that was engaged in struggle for Longueval and Delville Wood.

8 July: Assisted 26th Brigade (9th Division) in fresh attack on Delville Wood. Moved forward about 7.15 pm. Arrived at Longueval in late evening.

9 July: Attack cancelled. 19 DLI spent all day assisting in consolidating gains under German shell fire.

20 July: Relieved and bivouacked at Caftet Wood near Carnoy.

21-23 July. 19 DLI sent 300 men to dig a communication trench forward from Trones Wood to Waterlot Farm.

24-25 July: All 19 DLI moved up to spend two days digging reserve trenches on the slopes south-west of Longueval.

26 July: Returned to Caftet Wood and later to Silesia Trench in the old German front line south of Montauban.

29 July: All 106th Brigade as reserve to the 89th Brigade (30th Division) that was to attack next day, from Malzhorn to Guillemont.

30 July: 19 DLI got as far as a sunken road south of Bernafay Wood. At night marched back to Caftet Wood.

31 July: Returned to Sand Pit Valley near Meaulte.

1-19 August: At Morlancourt and Foudrinoy.

20 August: Moved up to Sand Pit Valley.

22 August: In the trenches on the slope of Malzhorn Ridge north of Hardecourt. Incessant shelling caused many casualties. 35th Division's front ran from Hardecourt to the Trones Wood/Guillemont road.

24 August: Planned attack cancelled. Patrol work under fire from German snipers. That night 35th Division started to hand over to the 5th Division. Retired to Happy Valley.

29 August: 19 DLI left the Somme and arrived in the Arras sector on 3 September.

### BATTALION CASUALTIES

#### Battle of Delville Wood

##### **Killed in action (47)**

18 Jul:	Aldridge, 19/1270 Private John Henry	T2
	Calvert, 19/1494 Private John Thomas	T2
	Donkin, 19/248 Private Thomas Lincoln	T2
	Douglass, 21/132 Private George William	T2
	Fisher, 19/251 Acting Sergeant Albert	T2
	Hogg, 19/1412 Private William	T2



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	Hughes, 19/474 Corporal John	T2
	Ingoe, 19/1370 Private John Edward	D1 IX.T.9
	Kitching, 19/1434 Private Alfred	T2
	Lewis, 19/730 Private Francis Patrick	D4 X.O.5
	Mills, 19/494 Private James	T2
	Mitchell, 21/158 Private George Percival	T2
	Seymour, 19/921 Private Arthur	T2
	Wight, 19/94 Sergeant Alfred	T2
	Wormald, 19/555 Lance Sergeant Frederick George	D4 XVIII.0.1
	Wright, 19/1267 Private Lawrence	T2
19 Jul:	Bowie, 19/1565 Private James Forsyth	B8 1.51
	Cummings, 19/558 Private Thomas	T2
	Curry, 19/199 Private John Charlton	T2
	Harding, 19/206 Corporal Arthur	T2
	Henderson, 19/574 Private William Henry	T2
	Hutchinson, 19/1519 Lance Corporal John	T2
	Kemp, 19/183 Private John	T2
	Lund, 23/177 Private William Matthew	T2
	Renney, 19/383 Private Thomas Brown	T2
	Rutter, 19/722 Private Lowes Noble	T2
	Sterling, 19/1548 Private James	T2
	Watson, 19/1294 Private Herbert	S2 XXXV.F.6
	Waugh, 19/756 Private George Henry	T2
20 Jul:	Moor, 31124 Private Joseph	T2
21 Jul:	Thwaites, 28187 Private William	B11 I.B.16
24 Jul:	Braidford, 2nd Lieutenant William	T2
	Jackson, 19/52 Private James	T2
	Todd, 19/276 Private William	T2
25 July	Brown, 19/1273 Private George Henry	T2
	Burns, 19/959 Private Peter	T2
	Dean, 19/883 Private Edward	T2
	Dickeson, 19/1328 Private Robert	T2
	Grant, 19/1317 Private David	T2
	Hall, 19/172 Private John	T2
	Hutchinson, 19/1316 Private John William	T2
	Kell, 19/774 Lance Corporal Anthony Herbert	T2
	Miller, 19/428 Lance Sergeant George Barnwell	T2
	Mudd, 19/720 Private David	T2
	Stewart, 19/1521 Private Patrick	T2
	Storey, 19/84 Private Isaac Bolton	T2
30 Jul:	Chick, 19/682 Private Lawrence	T2
	<b>Died of wounds (20)</b>	
15 Jul:	Gillon, 23/182 Private John	T2
17 Jul:	Millington, 19/1468 Private Samuel	C8 I.D.29
	Yule, 19/1005 Sergeant Robert	P2 IV.H.37
18 Jul:	Bell, 19/589 Lance Corporal William	D6 II.C.12
	Halliday, 19/471 Private Richard Adams	D6 I.A.7
	Jackson, 19/108 Private Samuel	L1 I.C.35
	Tulip, 19/551 Private Thomas	D6 II.C.14
19 Jul:	Dobbs, 19/831 Lance Sergeant Thomas Hubert	L1 I.C.64
	Dreyer, 19/503 Lance Corporal Rowntree	L1 I.C.45
	French, 2nd Lieutenant Percival Vincent <sup>176</sup>	P2 I.F.13

<sup>176</sup> Attached from 16 DLI.



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	Millar, 2nd Lieutenant Leonard <sup>177</sup>	P2 IV.F.16
	Wilson, 19/1063 Private Robert	D6 II.D.21
20 Jul:	Cunningham, 19/19 Company Sergeant Major Stephen	L1 I.C.73
	Whitehead, 19/1421 Private Thomas	C8 I.E.16
22 Jul:	Thomas, 19/2 Sergeant William Uriah	C4 C.13
24 Jul:	Johnson, 19/477 Corporal Joseph Sweetman	B15 II.A.39
26 Jul:	Haswell, 19/562 Private William	E2 XIV.E.4A
29 Jul:	Newby, 19/430 Private J. <sup>178</sup>	25.A.6269
1 Aug:	Moffitt, 19/961 Private James	S6 B.29.2
10 Aug:	Hazard, 19/1371 Private Lancelot Jollife <sup>179</sup>	2.AE.1358

### **In the trenches at Morlancourt**

#### **Killed in action (1)**

11 Aug: Potts, 23/25 Private John A8 G.16

### **In the trenches north of Hardecourt**

#### **Killed in action (14)**

23 Aug:	Bibby, 19/325 Private Thomas	G5 VIII.0.3
	Robinson, 19/718 Private James Henry	T2
	Tate, 19/887 Private John Thomas	T2
	White, 19/337 Corporal George Peter	T2
	Wilson, 19/283 Private Thomas	T2
24 Aug:	Armstrong, 19/799 Private Robert Jackson	T2
	Chambers, 19/729 Private Thomas	T2
	Green, 19/1397 Private John Thomas	T2
	Greener, 28191 Private Thomas	T2
	Hogg, 19/1304 Private James	T2
	Parsons, 23/106 Private George	T2
	Renforth, 19/1032 Corporal Robert	T2
	Robinson, 19/502 Lance Corporal John	T2
	Stephenson, 19/1006 Private Joseph	T2

#### **Died of wounds (7)**

23 Aug:	Gray, 19/1298 Lance Corporal Thomas William	T2
24 Aug:	Lawlor, 19/805 Acting Sergeant John	D6 I.B.6
	Murgatroyd, 19/827 Private James William	D6 II.G.15
25 Aug:	Wood, 21/187 Private John	L1 II.A.59
26 Aug:	Prater, 19/1360 Private Arthur	C8 Z.B.60
31 Aug:	Henderson, 19/1571 Private John William	A1 III.F.19

#### **Died (1)**

22 Sep: Stokoe, 19/1458 Private Frederick Almond <sup>180</sup> E2 XVI B.11

### **TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES**

During the Battle of the Somme, 62 Officers and Other Ranks from the 19th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 26 died of wounds; and one died - a total of 89 individuals.

<sup>177</sup> Attached from 17 DLI.

<sup>178</sup> Wounded on 18 July 1916. Buried in Mere Knolls Cemetery, Sunderland.

<sup>179</sup> Gun shot wounds to legs and back. Infected with tetanus. Buried in Bishopwearmouth Cemetery, Sunderland.

<sup>180</sup> Died of acute appendicitis at Etaples.



## 20th Battalion DLI

The 20th Battalion was part of the 123rd Brigade, 41st Division, XV Corps. The 41<sup>st</sup> Division was credited with the following Battles:

Battle of Flers-Courcelette	15-22 September
Battle of Le Transloy	1-8 October

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

24 August-6 September: At Yaucourt Bussus in training for the Somme.

6 September: Moved south to the Somme front and the forward area near Pommiers Redoubt, Carlton and Savoy Trenches.

10 September: 20 DLI relieved 7th Liverpool Regiment in support trenches west of Longueval.

11 September: 'C' Company moved through 11th West Surrey Regiment and dug a chain of posts in no-man's-land.

12 September: 20 DLI relieved West Surreys; posts linked and communication trenches dug.

13 September: 20 DLI relieved and moved back at Pommiers Redoubt early on 14 September.

14 September: Moved up to Check Line behind the crest of a ridge on which were the villages of Bazentin-le-Grand and Longueval.

15 September: 41st Division, with tank support, entered Flers. After advance, 20 DLI came through a heavy barrage and occupied the old front trenches astride Longueval-Flers road.

16 September: 20 DLI called forward beyond Flers and had to negotiate heavy German barrage on south side of Flers. 'C' Company established in Box and Cox Trenches on the north side of Flers. Rest of 20 DLI in sunken road leading to Ginchy from which 15 DLI had been withdrawn. 20 DLI consolidated their position during the rest of the day and all next day. Relieved by troops of the 55th Division.

18 September: Montauban was reached early morning. Eight days training near Becordal-Becourt.

27 September: Moved up to the front line east of Mametz via by Montauban.

28 September: Relieved 8th Liverpool Regiment in reserve trenches near Flers.

29 September: Employed as carrying parties to the front which was now beyond Gueudecourt.

30 September: In the afternoon two companies relieved two from 11th West Surrey Regiment in the line. 'D' company suffered from German shelling. In the evening other two companies joined so completing the relief. Night spent in improving the line dug beyond Gird Support Trench.

1 October: At dawn 20 DLI in line north-west of Gueudecourt. Sent out patrols to discover German strengths. Relieved some hours later and withdrew to Pommiers Redoubt at night.

2 October: Under training at Pommiers Redoubt.

7 October: In reserve as British attacked along the whole line from Lesboeuifs to Le Sars. 20 DLI moved forward in evening. The maps were inaccurate; trenches were blocked with wounded; and the guides lost their way. All under heavy German fire.

8 October: Trench digging and wiring under fire.

11 October: Relieved and that morning reached Mametz Wood.

13 October: Began to move away from Somme arriving by train at Godewaersvelde on 20 October.

### BATTALION CASUALTIES

#### In the support trenches west of Longueval

#### **Killed in action (17)**

3 Sep: Armstrong, 3/12640 Private George

T2



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	Burdess, 3/12313 Private John	T2
	Frater, 30724 Private Harold	T2
	Gillibrand, 28017 Private Walter	T2
	Hunter, 30925 Private John	T2
	Taylor, 30490 Private John	T2
11 Sep:	Green, 20/430 Private Clark	T2
12 Sep:	Emery, 20/161 Private William	T2
	Leith, 20/1037 Private John Moffat	T2
	Todd, 45774 Private William Turner	T2
	Walshaw, 20/336 Private George Frederick	H4 IV.C.64
14 Sep:	Clemenston, 20/604 Private Thomas	T2
	Crinson, 20/947 Private John Henry <sup>181</sup>	T2
	Gyllenspetz, 30581 Private Carl Augustus	B16 II.K.6
	Hall, 20/950 Private Norman	B16 II.F.7
	Howarth, 3/11941 Private Robert	B16 II.E.26
	Nurse, 20/719 Private Ernest George	T2
<b>Died of wounds (4)</b>		
11 Sep:	Richmond, 201500 Private Walter <sup>182</sup>	D3 I. A. 10
12 Sep:	Manners, 20/539 Private William	H4 IV.C.66
	Sly, 20/1035 Private Matthew	T2
12 Nov:	Hope, 20/1036 Private George Albert <sup>183</sup>	M.A.143

### **Battle of Flers-Courcelette**

#### **Killed in action (26)**

15 Sep:	Brown, 8830 Private James	T2
	Dean, 45780 Private Hubert	T2
	Hair, 20/295 Private Jeremiah <sup>184</sup>	T2
	Land, 30237 Private Arthur	T2
	Marshall, 20/835 Private George Leslie	T2
	Purnell, 20/883 Private Joseph	S2 XXIX.M.9
	Peart, 21/235 Private Joseph Arthur	L3 D.10
16 Sep:	Barratclough, 20/33 Private Albert	T2
	Butterfield, 32008 Private John	T2
	Chapman, 20/602 Private Leonard	S2 XLI.B.3
	Clark, 20/556 Private James	T2
	Fisher, 30206 Private John	T2
	Lowery, 20/847 Private Herbert	T2
	Purvis, 20/225 Acting Corporal Fred	T2
	Rice, 19/144 Private Patrick	T2
	Richardson, 20/43 Private Harold	T2
	Schofield, 31873 Private Charles	T2
	Skimming, 19/963 Private Joseph	T2
	Sykes, 21/457 Private Henry	T2
	Woodward, 20/405 Private Frederick	T2
17 Sep:	Archer, 20/298 Private Frederick	T2
	Barr, 30224 Private John Robert	T2
	Charlton, 20/141 Private John	T2

<sup>181</sup> 'A' Company 20 DLI.

<sup>182</sup> 'A' Company 20 DLI.

<sup>183</sup> Shrapnel wound left chest 11 September 1916. Died Boundary Park Military Hospital, Oldham. Buried in Chadderton Cemetery, Oldham.

<sup>184</sup> 'B' Company 20 DLI.



Lowe, 21/102 Private Herbert	T2
Purvis, 20/153 Private William David	T2
Trow, 21/383 Private Harry	T2

### **Died of wounds (9)**

16 Sep: Haines, 20/391 Private William R.	H4 IV.D.62
Kinghorn, 20/447 Private William	T2
17 Sep: Pickering, 20/932 Private George William	H4 II.H.23§
Ross, 20/642 Private Thomas Roseberry	D3 II.A.67
18 Sep: Hartley, 20/945 Private Alfred	H4 II.H.45
19 Sep: Clark, 20/177 Regimental Sergeant Major Henry <sup>185</sup>	S6 B.22.44
21 Sep: Brewster, 20/590 Private Albert	H4 IV.E.52
23 Sep: Dunbar, 31141 Private George	E2 XVI.C.7A
25 Sep: Edmundson, 21/198 Private Percy	H4 IV.H.40

### **In the trenches near Flers**

#### **Killed in action (13)**

29 Sep: Grieves, 45821 Private William	T2
Jones, 20/970 Private William	T2
Stamps, 20/899 Private Leonard	B1 IX.A.7
Stead, 31823 Private Edward	T2
Swinden, 30300 Private Albert Ernest	T2
30 Sep: Harrison, 20/475 Lance Corporal John Thomas	T2
Lawson, 20/759 Private Charles	T2
Orr, 21/372 Private John	T2
Potter, 20/393 Private John Young	T2
Rae, 27877 Private James	T2
Robson, 20/752 Lance Corporal Ralph Maddison	T2
Walker, 45817 Private John	T2
Watson, 20/793 Private Samuel	T2

#### **Died of wounds (1)**

30 Sep: Gray, 45820 Private George William	D3 II.D.5
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### **Battle of le Transloy**

#### **Killed in action (14)**

1 Oct: Anderson, 20/247 Private Edmund, MM	T2
Baty, 20/843 Lance Corporal John Christopher	T2
Hardy, 20/139 Private John Thomas, MM	T2
Brown, 1048 Pte C.	B8 A.16
Loftus. 19/1115 Private Peter	T2
Oliver, 20/233 Private Thomas	B5 III.D. 10
Riddell, 21/170 Private James	T2
Stevenson, 20/691 Private Frederick	T2
Young, 20/840 Private Thomas	T2
7 Oct: Elliott, 20/50 Sergeant John Oliver	T2
8 Oct: Hedger, 20/623 Sergeant Joseph	T2
Scott, 20/944 Private John	T2
9 Oct: French, 20/869 Lance Corporal Arthur	T2
10 Oct: Wilson, 21/421 Private William	A6 VIII.F.2

#### **Died of wounds (17)**

1 Oct: Brewis, 20/954 Lance Corporal Percy	D3 II.D.15
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<sup>185</sup> Wounded 18 September 1916.



	Hirst, 30240 Private Fred	H4 V.B.24
	Peart, 20/593 Private William	H4 V.B.27
	Williamson, 21/220 Private Charles Edward	H4 V.B.5
2 Oct:	Goldsborough, 20/568 Private James	H4 V.B.28
	Walker, 18/1667 Private Norman	B15 II.C.1
3 Oct:	Asher, 20/676 Private Sydney	E2 II.A.42
	Cockrill, 18439 Private George	G3 I.M.II
	Lindsey, 20/206 Sergeant James	H4 IV.J.30
4 Oct:	Oliver, 20/1 Acting Corporal Michael	H4 IV.J.26
5 Oct:	Wilson, 42573 Private George	E2 XI.F.I
6 Oct:	Brown, 30295 Private George	E2 XVI.D.2A
9 Oct:	McKeand, 20/855 Private John	D3 II.D.38
10 Oct:	Paxton, 20/1030 Private Ronald Victor	H4 III.B.46
11 Oct:	Coates, 20/327 Private George Stephen	D3 II.D.50
	Hutchinson, 20/322 Sergeant George William	D3 II.D.46
14 Oct:	Coxon, 27911 Private William <sup>186</sup>	A.318
<b>Died (1)</b>		
4 Nov:	Mobbs, 21/336 Private Joseph David <sup>187</sup>	G.3.33

## TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES

During the Battle of the Somme, 70 Officers and Other Ranks from the 20th Battalion DLI were killed in action; 31 died of wounds; and one died - a total of 102 individuals.<sup>188</sup>

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<sup>186</sup> Buried in Ropery Lane Cemetery, Chester le Street.

<sup>187</sup> Buried in St Margaret's Churchyard Extension, Durham.

<sup>188</sup> 30808 Private William Robert Lake was attached to 1/6 West Yorks on 13 July, wounded on 14 August and died of his wounds the next day. Buried in P5 II.D.44, he is counted among 20 DLI men in the CWGC's total.



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## 22nd Battalion DLI

The 22nd Battalion DLI was the Pioneer Battalion of the 8th Division, III Corps. The 8th Division was credited with the following Battle, but was given no credit for the actions from 23 October to 24 November 1916:

Battle of Albert                      1-13 July

### BATTALION ITINERARY 1916

17 June: By train from Le Havre to Frechencourt in the Somme area.

20 Jun: Moved to Bavelincourt and until 30 June were busy unloading ammunition and repairing roads.

23 June: All available officers visited the line east of Albert for experience of the trenches.

30 Jun: 22 DLI marched to Millencourt. 'A' Company remained there whilst the other companies moved forward to Albert.

1 July: The 8th Division attacked Ovillers and La Boisselle with limited success. 22 DLI was to consolidate the ground won.

2 July: Brought up stores for the Royal Engineers and carried wounded back. 100 men established a dump in captured trenches near La Boisselle.

3 July: 22 DLI was relieved and in the evening left Millencourt for Givenchy east of Bethune.

From 3 July to 12 October: 22 DLI was in the Cambrain Sector.

13 October: The 8th Division, with 22 DLI, entrained for the Somme.

14 October: Arrived at Citadel Camp. 'D' Company ordered to Montauban to work on the roads.

20 October: HQ and 'B' Company moved to Waterlot Farm.

21 October: 'B' and 'D' Companies started work on a communication trench, which was then suspended in view of an attack on Zenith Trench planned for 23 October. Each company was given a different task.

23 October: 'C' Company to Spectrum Trench astride the Gueudecourt to Le Transloy road. Followed second wave of attacking infantry. Started to dig a communication trench from Zenith Trench back to the old front line. Short rest at Waterlot Farm, then digging continued until completed on night of 25 October. 'B' Company ordered to dig a communication trench forward to Zenith Trench, but before the attack, came under intense fire. Later acted as stretcher-bearers and eventually reached Waterlot Farm early on 25 October. Returned later to assist in consolidating Zenith Trench. 'D' Company reached Bulford Trench, behind Rainbow Trench at 7 am 23 October. One platoon to Shine Trench; one to Mild Trench and remaining two improved Bulford Trench. Returned Waterlot Farm but on 26 October assisted 'B' Company to consolidate Zenith Trench. 'A' Company worked in reliefs night and day as stretcher bearers until 25 October. On 26 October started to dig a new communication trench and in the evening were joined by 'C' Company.

26-29 October: 'B' and 'D' Companies continued digging trenches to be relieved by 'A' and 'C' Companies. 'B' Company then worked as stretcher-bearers. 'D' Company continued digging.

30 October Relieved and gradually withdrew to Montauban.

1 November: Rested at the Citadel, less 'A' Company left behind to clear up the battlefield.

3 November: 'A' Company arrived at the Citadel.

7 November: Marched to La Briqueterie near Montauban. The 8th Division was going into the line before Le Transloy.

8 November: Before Le Transloy. Three companies worked on a new communications trench from Ginchy to the front line, while 'D' Company laid duck-boards up to Flank Trench.

12-28 November: The 8th Division rested but Pioneers worked on corduroy roads from Ginchy to Lesboeuifs and Ginchy to Flers. Also made fascines at Caftet Wood, near Carnoy.



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29 November; 22 DLI rejoined the 8th Division at Hornay.

## BATTALION CASUALTIES

### Battle of Albert

1-3 July: Three Companies at Albert in reserve. Only five men wounded.

### German defences in front of Beaulencourt and le Transloy

#### **Killed in action (29)**

23 Oct:	Alderson, 22/779 Private Percival	T2
	Atkinson, 22/319 Private Edwin Gordon	B1 VI.D.14
	Bower, 22/1044 Lance Corporal Gordon <sup>189</sup>	B10 XVIII.L.I
	Cook, 2nd Lieutenant John <sup>190</sup>	B8 D.31
	Cullin, 22/1118 Corporal James Robert	T2
	Darlow, 22/222 Acting Corporal Jack	T2
	Elgie, 30130 Private Robert	T2
	Friar, 22/871 Corporal Thomas William <sup>191</sup>	T2
	Gair, 22/1066 Private John	T2
	Hopper, 22/345 Private John	T2
	Hopps, 22/289 Lance Corporal John Francis Henry	T2
	Lane, 42882 Private Joseph	G4 XI.X.10
	Marwood, 42887 Private Charles	G4 V.U.5
	Mulligan, 22/526 Private Andrew	T2
	Robson, 22/278 Private Matthew James	B1 V.E.3
	Rowe, 22/1133 Sergeant Sidney Louis	B1 V.J.10
	Rutherford, 22/252 Private John	T2
	Smurthwaite, 22/421 Sergeant Thomas Robson	G4 V.U.8
	Stephenson, 22/941 Private Ralph	T2
	Vowell, 22/775 Private David	T2
	Waller, 42840 Acting Lance Corporal George	T2
	Wears, 22/333 Private Richard William	T2
27 Oct:	Seeber, 30104 Private Martin James	T2
28 Oct:	Dodds, 22/885 Private James	T2
	Dyke, 42858 Private William	T2
	Hughes, 22/1068 Private Bertram Leonard	B8 F.34
	Redpath, 22/134 Corporal John Percival	T2
	Walsh, 22/158 Lance Corporal Thomas Ralph	T2
29 Oct:	Tindale, 22/204 Private William Edward	T2
	<b>Died of wounds (7)</b>	
24 Oct:	Dyer, 22/1111 Private Walter	C4 V.18
	Plows, 22/311 Private Joseph	T2
26 Oct:	Chambers, 22/929 Private Norman Wilson	G3 I.P.47
27 Oct:	Tait-Knight, Captain Alec <sup>192</sup>	G3 I.B.16
28 Oct:	Wood, 22/722 Private John Atherley	G3 II.B.14
9 Nov:	Stephenson, 28251 Private George Storey	H4 V.D.33
10 Nov:	Richardson, 22/944 Private John <sup>193</sup>	S5 O.I.N.3

<sup>189</sup> 'D' Company 22 DLI.

<sup>190</sup> 'B' Company 22 DLI.

<sup>191</sup> 'C' Company 22 DLI.

<sup>192</sup> Wounded on 26 October 1916.

<sup>193</sup> 'B' Company 22 DLI.



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### **Killed in action (13)**

11 Nov: Bainbridge, 22/82 Private John Thomas	T2
Barber, 42849 Private William	T2
English, 22/152 Private Edward Norman <sup>194</sup>	C1 XVIII.G.15
Foster, 42886 Private Frederick George	T2
Gibson, 22/141 Private Robert James	T2
Ward, 22/94 Private Thomas	G4 IX.B.5
12 Nov: Kemp, 22/479 Private Alfred	P2 II.G.7
14 Nov: Bulmer, 22/1055 Private Walter	G4 IX.X.9
Burke, 22/284 Private Thomas	A6 I.F.11
Daniel, 42857 Private Harry	G4 IX.X.7
Hull, 22/371 Private John Joseph	A6 I.F.13
Pearson, 42901 Private George Benjamin	G4 IX.X.8
Temple, 22/268 Private Herbert	A6 I.F.12

### **Died of wounds (3)**

11 Nov: Largan, 30381 Private Joseph	G3 II.H.23
24 Nov: Newton, 42898 Private Amos	C4 X.24
25 Nov: Brown, 22/861 Private John George	G3 II.K.7

### **Died (3)**

24 Oct: Walls, 22/1105 Private James Henry <sup>195</sup>	B8 D.32
22 Nov: Banks, 22/320 Private Horace <sup>196</sup>	V.B.49
27 Nov: Talbott, 42910 Private Clifton Rawton <sup>197</sup>	P2 III.F.2

## **TOTAL BATTALION CASUALTIES**

During the Battle of the Somme, 42 Officers and Other Ranks from the 22nd Battalion DLI were killed in action; 10 died of wounds; and three died - a total of 55 individuals.

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<sup>194</sup> 'B' Company 22 DLI.

<sup>195</sup> Suffocated by fire fumes in his bivouac.

<sup>196</sup> Buried in Stranton Cemetery, Hartlepool.

<sup>197</sup> Died of heart failure.

