

Ernest Andrew Montgomery



Nº13330

8<sup>th</sup> Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment



Nº23511

3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers

Ernest Andrew Montgomery was born on the 9<sup>th</sup> December 1878 to Henry and Ellen Montgomery in Rotherham, Yorkshire. He was their 8<sup>th</sup> of 9 children, his father a 'Hammer-man'

1879	Ernest Henry	Hammerman	Rotherham	Born 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1878
29 <sup>th</sup>	Andrew & Son of Ellen			
No. 797				

In 1881 Ernest was aged 2, one of 7 children, their parents and grandmother living at No1 Barkers Yard, High Street Rotherham. His father is a Forgerman Iron.

The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the										75 [Page 3]
Civil Parish (or Township) of	City or Municipal Borough of	Municipal Ward of	Parliamentary Borough of	Town or Village or Hamlet of	Urban Sanitary District of	Rural Sanitary District of	Exclusionary Parish or District of			
Rotherham	Rotherham				Rotherham		all Saints			
No. of	ROAD, STREET, &c., and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES	NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	CON-DITION as to Marriage	AGE last Birthday of	Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN		(1) Deaf-and-Dumb (2) Blind (3) Imbecile or Idiot (4) Lunatic
11	High St No 1 Barkers Yard	1	Henry Montgomery	Head	Mar	46	Forgerman Iron	Yorkshire Rotherham		
			Ellen	Wife	Do	42	do Wife	Cumberland Cockermouth		
			Fanny	do	Widow	18	do Nurse	Yorkshire Sheffield		
			William	do	do	15	Telegraph Messenger C.S.	do Rotherham		
			Fred	do	do	13	Scholar	do do		
			Ellen	do	Widow	11	do	do do		
			Charles	do	do	8	do	do do		
			Leisel A	do	do	2	do	do do		
			Walter J	do	do	2	do	do do		
			Margaret Murphy	Mother-in-law	Widow	69	Assistant Dressmaker	Ireland Belfast		

In July 1881 when Ernest was aged 2 he lost his Father.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> November 1882 Ernest entered Wentworth & Harley Infant School, remaining there until 1889, along with his brother Walter.

Admission Number	Date of Admission	NAME (Christian and Surname)	Date of Birth	Name and Address of Parent or Guardian
408	27 11 82	Ernest A. Montgomery	9 12 78	Ellen, 30 Moorgate St. Rth.

Admission Number	Date of Admission	NAME (Christian and Surname)	Date of Birth	Name and Address of Parent or Guardian
518		Montgomery Ernest A	9 12 78	Ellen, 30 Moorgate St.
579		Montgomery Walter J	9 12 78	Do

If obtaining exemption from Religious Instruction	If excluded from Grant by Act IV	Last School (if any) Attended	Highest Standard there Presented	Date of Presentation in Successive Standards.						Date of Leaving
				I.	II.	III.	IV.	V.	VI.	
-	-		0	87	88	92	89			
-	-		0	87	88	94	89			

In 1891 Ernest is aged 12 and a Scholar. He is one of 5 children living at 23 Moorgate Street Rotherham with his widowed mother, a Laundress. Also living with the family is a domestic servant.

17/23 Moorgate St	1	Henry Montgomery	Head	Wid	46	Laundress			X	Cumberland Cockermouth
		William	do	Son	25	Commercial Clerk	X			York Rotherham
		Fred	do	do	20	do	X			do do
		Charles	do	do	18	Forgerman	X			do do
		Leisel A	do	do	12	Scholar				do do
		Walter J	do	do	12	do				do do
		Margaret Murphy	Serv	Widow	69	Dom				do do

Administrative County of <u>York</u> SHEFFIELD			The undermentioned Houses are situate within the boundaries of the													Page 14
Civil Parish of <u>Thorncliffe</u>			Sanitary District of <u>Sheffield</u>			Urban Sanitary District of <u>Sheffield</u>			Rural District of <u>Thorncliffe</u>			Parliamentary Borough of <u>Sheffield</u>			Town or Village or Hamlet of <u>Sheffield</u>	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
No. of Inhabitants	ROAD, STREET, &c. and No. or NAME of HOUSE	Whether a Dwelling	Whether a Shop or Public House	Whether a Public House	Whether a Shop	Whether a Public House	Name and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	Qualification to be Married	Age last Birthday	PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION	Employer, Worker, or Own account	Working at Home	WHERE BORN	(1) Deaf and Dumb	(2) Blind
103	38 <u>Wickley St</u>						<u>Wm. A. Montgomery</u>	Head	<u>Wm. A. Montgomery</u>	21	<u>Sheep Engine Fitter</u>	<u>Do</u>		<u>Rotherham</u>	<u>Do</u>	
							<u>Pamela</u>	Wife	<u>Wm. A. Montgomery</u>	22	<u>Do</u>			<u>Whistow</u>	<u>Do</u>	

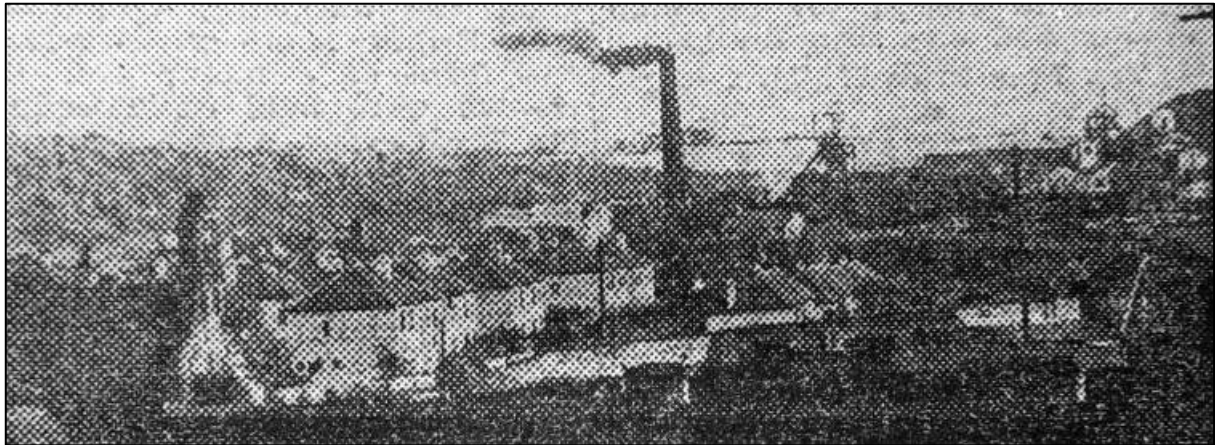
1800. Marriage solemnized at <u>the Parish church</u> in the <u>Parish of Rotherham</u> in the County of <u>York</u>								
Column	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
263	<u>Twenty-second</u> <u>July</u> <u>1800</u>	<u>Ernest Andrew</u> <u>Montgomery</u> <u>Pamela Band</u>	<u>21</u> <u>years</u> <u>21</u> <u>years</u>	<u>Bachelor</u> <u>Spinster</u>	<u>Engine</u> <u>Fitter</u> —	<u>37 Hollingsate</u> <u>5 Warwick Street</u>	<u>Henry Montgomery</u> <u>(deceased)</u> <u>Dryce Band</u>	<u>Shugler</u> <u>Gardener</u>
Married in the <u>parish church</u> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the <u>Established Church</u> by _____ or after <u>Banns</u> by me,								
This Marriage was solemnized between us,		{ <u>Ernest Andrew Montgomery</u> <u>Pamela Band</u> }		{ <u>George Frederick Thompson</u> <u>Eloise Mitchell</u> }		{ <u>Walter Marshall Hewitt</u> <u>Curate</u> }		



as to	Harrold ✓	7 Sep 1904	Workhouse ch.	Workhouse P. Church
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1907	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Born	May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Ernest Andrew Pamela	Ernest Andrew + Montgomery	8 Hollasgate	Miner	J. Davies Curate
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A 3<sup>rd</sup> son, Charles, was born in November 1909.

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At some point between 1907 and 1910 Ernest was involved in a underground accident. The mine roof falling in shattering his right leg.

1917 states 10 years ago

9. Date of origin of disability.	10 years.
10. Place of origin of disability.	Mayberg College.

1918 states 8 years ago

9. Date of origin of disability. "He states" - About eight years ago

10. Place of origin of disability. "He states" - Thrybergh Hall Colliery, Yorks.

ical History Sheet bearing <sup>2 Jan. 1907</sup>  
a fall of rock in the Mine, that a portion of the Right Leg was shattered.

By 1911 the family were living at 66 Frederick Street, Rotherham along with a Boarder. Ernest aged 32 still a Coal Miner Hewer.

No.	Name	Age	Sex	Rank	Signature	Signature
1	Ernest Andrew Montgomery Head	37	Male	10 4 3 1	Coalition (Honor)	Robert
2	Samela Montgomery Wife	37	Female			John Robinson
3	Arnold Montgomery Son	6	Male			2 2
4	Ernest Andrew Montgomery Son	3	Male			2 2
5	Charles Montgomery Son	1	Male			2 2
6	Edward Davis Boarder	46	Male		General Le... Captain	23

(To be filled up by the Enumerator)

Total  
Male 516  
Female 3  
Persons 519

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Ernest Andrew Montgomery  
Postal Address 66 Federal St. Robinson

Little else is known of Ernests early years. When war was declared on the 4<sup>th</sup> August 1914 he was aged 34, had a young family and as a Miner was in a protected profession but like many would answer the call to serve.

Ernest was Attested in to service in the Army Reserve on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 1914 in Rotherham. He was 5 foot 4 inches with grey eyes and brown hair.

F.D. & S. Lond. 8-14 Army Form B. 248.

### ARMY RESERVE. (SPECIAL RESERVISTS). ONE YEAR'S SERVICE.

#### ATTESTATION OF

No 1533 Name Ernest Andrew Montgomery 8. A Corps Yorkshire

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your Name? Ernest Andrew Montgomery
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? 16 St. Andrew's
3. Are you a British Subject? Yes
4. What is your Age? 24 Years 11 Months
5. Have you ever been in your Father's House for three years continuously in the same place, or occupied a house or land of the same value at all for one year, and paid rates for the same, and, in either case, if so, state where? RN

You are hereby warned that if after enlistment it is found that you have given a wilfully false answer to any of the following seven questions, you will be liable to imprisonment with hard labour.

7. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where? No
8. Are you Married? Yes
9. Have you ever been sentenced to Penal Servitude or Imprisonment by the Civil Power? No
10. Do you now belong to the Royal Navy, the Army, the Royal Marines, the Militia, the Special Reserve, the Territorial Force, the Imperial Yeomanry, the Volunteer Force, the Militia Reserve, or any Naval Reserve Force? If so, state which unit, and name of discharge. No
11. Have you ever served in the Royal Navy, the Army, the Royal Marines, the Militia, the Special Reserve, the Territorial Force, the Imperial Yeomanry, the Volunteer Force, the Militia Reserve, or any Naval Reserve Force? If so, state which unit, and name of discharge. No
12. Have you truly stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? Yes
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for the Military or Naval Forces of the Crown? If so, on what grounds? No
14. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? Yes
15. Did you receive a notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? Yes
16. Are you willing to serve upon the following conditions provided His Majesty should so long require your services? Yes

For a term of one year, unless I have longer than appears in the schedule annexed to the Regulations for the Army Reserve, and in which I am engaged to serve, and I will, as in duty bound, loyally and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, in Person, Crown, and Dignity against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, and of the General and Officers set over me. So help me God.

Ernest Andrew Montgomery do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

Ernest Andrew Montgomery SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

W. A. Holmwood SIGNATURE OF WITNESS.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Ernest Andrew Montgomery swear by Almighty God, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs, and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, loyally and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, in Person, Crown, and Dignity against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, and of the General and Officers set over me. So help me God.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as repeated by him, and the said recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at Rotherham on this 31 day of Aug.

Signature of the Magistrate or Attesting Officer: W. A. Holmwood

If any alteration is required on this page of the Attestation, a Justice of the Peace should be requested to make it and initial the alteration under Section 92 (b), Army Act.

The Recruit should, if he require it, receive a copy of the Declaration on Army Form B. 248.

#### Description of Ernest Andrew Montgomery on Enlistment.

Height 5 ft. 4 ins. Weight 116 lbs. (Girth when idle 35 ins. Range of expansion 36 ins.) Eyes Grey Hair Brown

Church of England Yes Presbyterian Wesleyan Baptist or Congregationalist Other Protestants (Romanists to be named) Roman Catholic Jewish

Distinctive marks, and marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous diseases.

(Should the Medical Officer be of opinion that the recruit has served before, he will, unless the man acknowledges to any previous service, attach a slip to that effect, for the information of the approving Officer.)

#### Certificate of Medical Examination.

I have examined the above-named recruit and find that he does not present any of the causes of rejection specified in the Regulations for the Army Medical Services. He can see at the required distance with either eye; his heart and lungs are healthy; he has the free use of his joints and limbs, and he declares that he is not subject to fits of any description.

I consider him fit for the Army Reserve.

Date 31 Aug 1914 Place Rotherham Medical Officer, W. A. Holmwood

Note.—Should the Medical Officer consider the recruit unfit, he will fill in the foregoing Certificate only in the case of those who have been accepted, and will briefly state below the cause of unfitness.

#### Certificate of Primary Military Examination.

I hereby certify that the above-named recruit was impressed by me and I consider him fit for service in the 8th Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment, and that due care has been exercised in his enlistment.

Date 31 Aug 1914 Place Rotherham Recruiting Officer, W. A. Holmwood

I insert the "Regiment" or "Corps."

#### Certificate of Approving Officer.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been completed with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the 8th Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment.

If enlisted by special authority, Army Form B. 200 (or other authority for the enlistment) will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 31 Aug 1914 Place Rotherham Approving Officer, W. A. Holmwood

The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit. I have inserted the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

He gave his Wife Pamela as his next of Kin still living at 66 Frederick Street.

10. Name and Address of next of kin

Mr. Pamela Montgomery, 66 Frederick St. Rotherham  
Brother, Wm. Chas. Walker.  
Sister, Elizabeth. Nellie. Emma.

11. Particulars as to Marriage		(a) Christian and Surname of Woman to whom married, and whether spinster or widow, (b) place and date of marriage, (c) name of officiating Minister or Registrar and (d) names of two witnesses.		Date of being placed on Married Roll	Initials of Officer.
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)		
<u>Pamela Bazel</u>	<u>22 Nov. 1904</u>	<u>Rotherham</u>	<u>Rev. Ernest Hutton</u>		
<u>Spinster</u>		<u>Church</u>	<u>Rev. Ernest Hutton</u>		
		<u>55, Rotherham</u>	<u>Rev. Ernest Hutton</u>		
12. Particulars as to Children.					
Christian Names	Date and Place of Birth	Where Registered.	Date and Place of Baptism, and Name of officiating Minister.		
<u>Harriold</u>	<u>17 Sep 1904</u>	<u>Rotherham</u>	<u>Rev. Ernest Hutton</u>		
<u>Ernest Andrew</u>	<u>9 May 1907</u>	<u>Rotherham</u>	<u>Rev. Ernest Hutton</u>		
<u>Charles</u>	<u>27 Nov 1909</u>	<u>Rotherham</u>	<u>Rev. Ernest Hutton</u>		

Ernest was given the service number 13330 and posted to the 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment .



STATEMENT of the SERVICES of No. <i>13330</i> Name <i>Montgomery, E. Q.</i>						
Showing recruit training, other special courses or training, Annual Training,† and when mobilized, etc.						
Corps	Unit	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Rank	From	To	Signature of Officers certifying correctness of Entries.
	Service towards engagement reckons from <i>Nottingham</i>		"	<i>31.8.14</i>		<i>G.P. Stott</i> <i>Capt.</i>
				<i>31.8.14</i>		
	<i>8th &amp; 2nd Regt - Antisub</i>		<i>Plt</i>	<i>31.8.14</i>		
	<i>Mobilised</i>		"	<i>31.8.14</i>		

The 8th Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment were formed at Pontefract in September 1914 as part of K3 and came under orders of 70th Brigade in 23rd Division. They then moved to Frensham, and on to Aldershot in November 1914, both moves reflected in Ernests records.

<i>To</i>	<i>Frensham Camp</i>	"	<i>18.9.14</i>		
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<i>To</i>	<i>Aldershot</i>	"	<i>1.12.14</i>		
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Ernests service was short lived. An old fracture to his right ankle injury to his right calf muscle which left it 'wasted' deemed him not fit for service.

<i>Old fracture &amp; injury to R. ankle joint. and also old injury to R. calf muscle which are very wasted. not fit for service.</i>					
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Ernest was medically discharged from service from Aldershot on the 6<sup>th</sup> February 1915.

Army Form B. 204.

Application for Discharge of a Recruit as not likely to become an efficient Soldier.

1. If passed by an examining medical officer, but rejected by an approving officer.  
2. If considered unfit for service within three months of enlistment.  
3. If a non-European soldier of troops in the Colonies is considered unsuitable to become an efficient soldier.

This form will be accompanied by the Recruit's Attestation.

Regiment *Pt Bde York & Lancaster Regt*  
No. *1330* Name *Ernest Montgomery*  
Date of Attestation *Aug 1914*  
Age *24* years, *4* months, *11* days  
Height *5* feet, *4* inches  
Weight *116* lbs.  
Girth when fully expanded *37* inches  
Measurement Range of expansion *3* inches  
Dressed as *Private* Recruiting Area or Station.  
Medically examined by *Dr. Dabbs*  
Approved by *C. R. Stott 912*  
Cause of objection to be fully stated here:  
*no fracture & injury to R. ankle joint and also no injury to R. calf muscle. While on duty for service.*  
Signature of Medical Officer: *James Dabbs*  
Remarks by Officer transmitting the Return.  
Portion *Aldershot*  
Date *6.2.15*

Army Form B. 178a.

To be used only for Special Reserve Recruits, and for Special Reservists enlisting into the Regular Army.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Surname *Montgomery* OR Christian Name *Ernest Andrew*

Table 1 - GENERAL TABLE.

Birthplace - Parish *1007 York* County *Yorkshire*

Examined ... at ... day of ... 1914 on ... day of Aug 1914

Declared age ... at ... day of ... 1914

Trade or occupation ...

Height ... feet ... inches ...

Weight ... lbs. ...

Measure ... inches ...

Physical development & Pulse rate ...

Vaccination marks (Arm ... Number ...)

When vaccinated ...

Vision ...

(a) Marks indicating congenital peculiarities or previous disease

(b) Slight defects but not sufficient to cause rejection

Approved by (Signature) (Rank) Medical Officer *James Dabbs*

Enlisted ... at ... day of ... 1914 on ... day of Aug 1914

Joined on enlistment ...

Transferred to ...

Became non-effective by ...

(Signature) (Rank) *James Dabbs*

8<sup>th</sup> Discharged  
Para. 393 III CC,  
N. R.  
No fracture to R. ankle joint  
also injured calf  
not fit for service  
912 6.2.15

Discharged  
Medically unfit  
Para 393 III CC,  
N. R.  
6.2.15

Ernest did not remain out of service for long. Around 7 months after his discharge he enlisted again, on the 19<sup>th</sup> August 1915. He was noted a Miner by profession and was posted to the Northumberland Fusiliers (NF), firstly to the Depot in Newcastle then on the 28<sup>th</sup> August to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion NF. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion NF were a training unit based at Scotts House Camp, East Bolden, the base of the 3<sup>rd</sup> (Reserve) Battalion and the home of the NF Depot training Companies. they were part of the Tyne Garrison.

Regiment or Corps *3<sup>rd</sup> Northumb. Fusiliers*

Rank *Pte* Surname *Montgomery* Christian Name *E. A.*

Religion *Anglican* Age on Enlistment *26* years, *8* months

Enlisted (a) *19.8.15* Terms of Service (a) *10 years* Service reckons from (a) *19.8.15*

Date of promotion to present rank ... Date of appointment to lance rank ...

Extended ( ) Re-engaged ( ) Qualification (b) ... or Corps Trade and Rate ...

Occupation *Miner (Group 3)* Signature of Officer.

Depot *3rd* Attested *Pte* 19.8.15.  
Posted *Pte* 28.8.15.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1916 Ernest was posted to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Garrison Battalion (GB) Northumberland Fusiliers. They were Formed at Roker on the Sunderland coast in March 1916 and went to Ireland. It is highly unlikely Ernest went with them, possibly for medical reasons, transferring back to the 3<sup>rd</sup> NF on the 7<sup>th</sup> July 1916.

3. G. B.	Posted	Pte.	1.4.16.
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3 <sup>rd</sup>	Posted	Pte.	8.4.16.
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Ernest remained with the 3<sup>rd</sup> NF until the 16<sup>th</sup> December 1916 when he was transferred to the W Class Army Reserve. 'for employment with Rotherham Main Colliery' (Canklow). W Class reserve applied to a conscripted soldiers who, on reflection, were thought to be more useful in their civil employment than in uniform, but in reserve to be called into uniform at moments notice. This was not unusual for Miners, especially if not medically fit for the army.

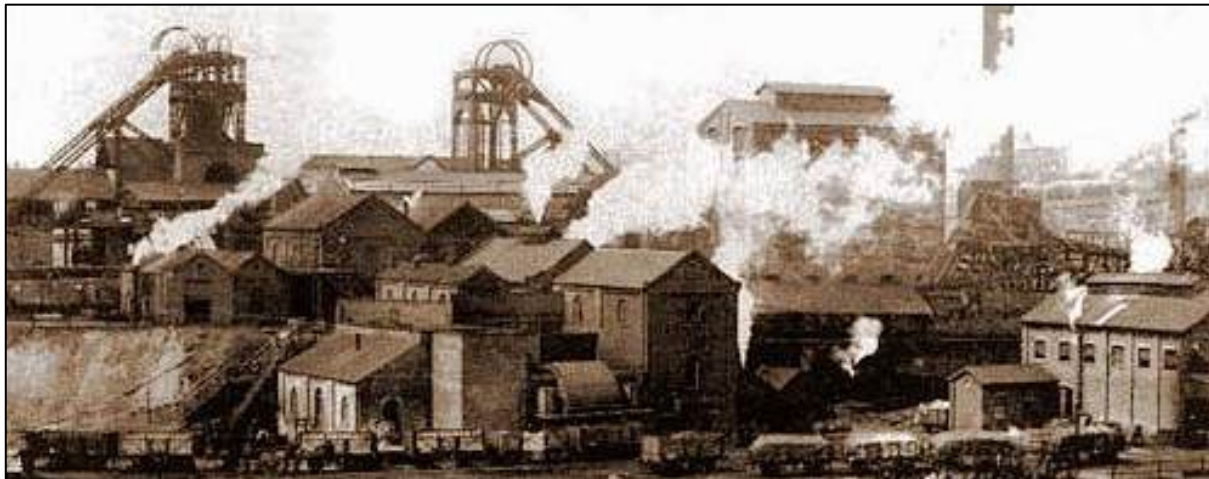
Class	W. Army Res. Transferred.	Pte	16.12.16.
O.C. 1347 of 1916. Authy C.R.T.G. 2411/2			
Dated. Newcastle on Tyne. 27.10.16.			
For employment with Rotherham Main Colliery, Rotherham.			
Next of Kin (Wife) Pamela Montgomery,			
66. Frederick St, Rotherham, Yorks			

On the 21<sup>st</sup> December 1917 Ernest underwent a medical examination in Sheffield which noted his medical history, his accident 10 years ago and an 'old fracture to the ankle.

Medical Report on an Invalid		Reserve medically	
Form No. 100		Army Public Health	
Station: <u>Sheffield</u>		Date: <u>21/12/17</u>	
1. Unit <u>Northumberland Fus</u>	2. Former Trade (or Occupation) <u>Miner</u>		
3. Regimental No. <u>23511</u>	4. If with previous service in Army, state—		
5. Rank <u>Private</u>	(a) Former Unit		
6. Name <u>Montgomery, Ernest</u>	(b) Regimental No.		
7. Age last birthday <u>39</u>	(c) Date of Discharge		
8. Enlisted <u>18 Aug 1915</u>	(d) Cause of Discharge		
<p>9. Disability in respect of which invaliding is Proposed.</p> <p>(Other disabilities should be reported upon in answer to question No. 10).</p> <p><u>1231 Old Fracture of ankle.</u></p>			
<p>10. Statement of Case.</p> <p>Notes—The answers in the following questions are to be filled in by the Officer in medical charge of the unit. In answering them he will carefully distinguish between the man's unsuspicious statements and evidence recorded in his military and medical documents. He will also carefully distinguish cases entirely due to reversed disease.</p> <p>11. Date of origin of disability. <u>10 years.</u></p> <p>12. Place of origin of disability. <u>Maybrough Colliery.</u></p> <p>13. Give briefly the essential facts of the history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet bearing on the case.</p> <p><u>He was injured in the foot which fractured his ankle. This he states had quite recovered - no treatment. When at West Boldon he noticed that the leg was "getting thinner". He was not admitted to hospital. Transferred to Class W Reserve 11.10.16.</u></p> <p>14. Give your opinion as to the causation of the disability, stating whether it was acquired during the present war.</p> <p>(a) attributable to or aggravated by service during the present war, then state the specific condition to which it is attributable should be stated, see Notes on page 20.</p> <p>(b) constitutional or hereditary, and not aggravated by service during the present war.</p> <p>(c) attributable to or aggravated by want of proper care on the part of the man, e.g., indisposition, neglect, etc.</p> <p><u>Yes (b)</u></p>			
<p>15. What is his present condition?</p> <p>He has been a patient in the neighbourhood of the right ankle joint. The movement of the foot as well as the leg, the knee of the right leg is stiff. There is swelling of the right calf due to injury to the muscles of the calf at the same time.</p>			
<p>16. If the disability is an injury, was it caused—</p> <p>(a) In action?</p> <p>(b) On full service?</p> <p>(c) On duty?</p> <p>(d) On leave?</p>			
<p>17. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?</p> <p>If so—(a) When?</p> <p>(b) Where?</p> <p>(c) Opinion?</p>			
<p>18. Was an operation performed? If so, what?</p>			
<p>19. If not, was an operation advised and declined?</p>			
<p>20. To what of loss or damage of limb. Is the loss of limb the result of wounds, injury or disease, directly attributable to active service?</p>			
<p>21. Give particulars of any other disabilities existing, but not in themselves sufficient to cause invaliding, and state whether they are attributable to or have been aggravated by service during the present war.</p>			
<p>22. Do you recommend—</p> <p>(a) Discharge on permanent (full) or</p> <p>(b) Change to England?</p>			
<p>This Report has been medically examined and signed under No. 100,000,1917</p> <p><u>Sheffield</u></p> <p>Officer in medical charge of case.</p>			
<p>I have satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, and concur therewith, except—</p> <p>Station <u>Sheffield</u></p> <p>Date <u>21 Dec 17</u></p> <p><u>A. G. Yates, M.D.</u></p> <p>Officer in charge of Hospital</p>			



He remained working at Rotherham Main Colliery (pictured) through the end of 1917 into 1918.



On the 9<sup>th</sup> April 1918 he was recalled from the army reserve and posted again to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers joining them at East Boldon on the 13<sup>th</sup> April.

*R. Fus. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Recalled. Pte. 9.4.18*

*He rejoined at East Boldon 13<sup>th</sup> April 1918 and has not been able to stand the training.*

On the 11<sup>th</sup> July he went before another medical Board in East Boldon. The Board noted his history and his condition, that due to muscle wastage he was unable to march and his leg gave way in training, him not being able to stand the training. The examination found he was not an efficient soldier, practically the whole of his right calf muscle wasted away.

**B.F.2.B. 6650** Army Form B. 179.  
Medical Report on an Invalid.

Station *East Boldon*  
Date *11<sup>th</sup> July 1918*

1. Unit *3<sup>rd</sup> Batt. Northumberland Fusiliers*  
2. Regimental No. *23511*  
3. Rank *Pte.*  
4. Name *Montgomery, E. A.*  
5. Age last birthday *39 Years.*  
6. Enlisted *on 18<sup>th</sup> August 1916*  
*at "Blackthorn" York.*

7. Former Trade (or Occupation) *Miner*  
7a. If with previous service in Army, state—  
(a) Former Unit: *No previous service.*  
(b) Regimental No.:  
(c) Date of Discharge:  
(d) Cause of Discharge:

**B. Disability in respect of which invaliding is Proposed.**  
(Other disabilities should be reported upon in answer to question No. 13).  
*Rupt. Muscles Right Leg.*

**Statement of Case.**  
Note.—The answers to the following questions are to be filled in by the Officer in medical charge of the man. In answering them he will carefully discriminate between the man's recognized antecedents and accidents recorded in his military and medical documents. He will also carefully distinguish cases entirely due to recent disease.  
10. Date of origin of disability. *He states—About eight years ago*  
10. Place of origin of disability. *He states—Thyburgh Hall Colliery, York.*  
11. Give concisely the essential facts of the history of the disability, noting entries on the Medical History Sheet bearing on the case. *He states—That as a result of an accident about 8 years ago, caused by the use of a Jolt of coal on the mine, that a portion of the calf of the right leg was shattered. He ground up on 15<sup>th</sup> Aug 1916. Did 3 months training during which time his leg gave way. He was then transferred to Home Service Batt and on 11<sup>th</sup> Dec 1916 was placed Class W. He rejoined at East Boldon 13<sup>th</sup> April 1918 and has not been able to stand the training.*  
*He complains that owing to weakness of leg he is unable to march.*  
12. Give your opinion as to the causation of the disability, noting whether in your opinion it is—  
(a) attributable to or aggravated by service during the present war, disease, or ordinary military service. (The specific conditions to which it is attributed should be stated, see Notes on page 2).  
(b) constitutional or hereditary, and not aggravated by service during the present war.  
(c) attributable to or aggravated by state of proper care on the man's part, e.g., intemperance, immobility, &c.

*Old injury, not attributable to any Military Service being reported by him.*

13. What is his present condition?  
Weight should be given in all cases where it is likely to afford evidence of the progress of the disability.  
*I find from his inability to march that he is not an efficient soldier. I find on examination there has been extensive rupture with loss of substance of practically the whole of the calf muscle of the right leg with serious wasting of the muscles in the leg being wasted 2 inches, and he is quite unable to march.*  
14. If the disability is an injury, was it caused—  
(a) In action?  
(b) On land service?  
(c) On duty?  
(d) Off duty?  
*Not applicable*  
15. Was a Court of Inquiry held on the injury?  
If so—(a) When?  
(b) Where?  
(c) Opinion?  
*Not applicable*  
16. Was an operation performed? If so, what?  
*No*  
17. If not, was an operation advised and declined?  
*No*  
18. Is there any loss or change of teeth. Is the loss of teeth the result of disease, injury or disease, directly or indirectly, in active service?  
*No*  
19. Give particulars of any other disabilities existing, but not in themselves sufficient to cause invaliding, and state whether they are attributable to or have been aggravated by service during the present war.  
*No other disabilities*  
20. Is the man recommended—  
(a) Discharge as permanently unfit, or  
(b) Change to England?  
*He is recommended for discharge as permanently unfit.*  
I have satisfied myself of the general accuracy of this report, and concur therewith, except—  
Station \_\_\_\_\_ Officer in charge of Hospital.  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Loss of teeth on or immediately after active service, should be attributed directly, unless there is evidence that it is due to some other cause.





The Class P Reserve was for men fit for military service in medical category not lower than Ciii whose services were "deemed to be temporarily of greater value to the country in civil life than in the army but who, as a result of having served in the army, have contracted disabilities which would, if they were discharged, have rendered them eligible for consideration for a disability pension, or who are qualified by length of service to receive a pension."

Ernest's disability was assessed to be 20% on the 8<sup>th</sup> August 1918. He was transferred to the P Reserve on the 21<sup>st</sup> August 1918, again to work at the Rotherham Main Colliery.

MINISTRY OF PENSIONS.	
Ref. No. <b>BF2B 6550 A.B.</b>	Date <b>8.8.18</b>
BRANCH MEMORANDUM.	
From - "M" Branch.	To
Signature of Award Officer: <b>aa.</b>	MEDICAL BRANCH.
Name <b>MONTGOMERY, ERNEST ANDREW</b> Regiment <b>NORTHUMBERLAND Fus. 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	
The accompanying papers are forwarded to the Medical Branch for favour of advice on the following points:-	
QUESTION.	REPLY.
(Delete any item which is not applicable.)	
(1) Is the disability attributable to service in the present War?	<b>No.</b>
(2) Has the disability been aggravated by service in the present War?	<b>Yes</b>
(SEE OVER.)	

QUESTION.	REPLY.
(3) At what degree of disablement should this man be assessed at present?	<b>19% - T. A.T.I. 3. 20/18.</b>
(4) Is the disability permanent or temporary? If permanent, is it in its final stationary condition?	<b>T.</b>
(5) If the disability was aggravated by service, have the effects of the aggravation passed away?	<b>No.</b>
(6)	
(7) Less than 20%.	
(8)	

Signature of Medical Officer: **Robertson 20/18**  
 Date: **Aug 8. 1918**

Class P Army Reserve.	Transferred.	Pte. 21.8.18.
	authy 19/Rel/2016.	
	a.g. dated 21.4.18.	
	for employment with	
	J. Brown & Co	
	Rotherham Main	
	Colliery, Bank low	
	Rotherham.	

Ernest saw the war come to an end on the 11<sup>th</sup> November 1918 working at the Colliery as part of the Class P Reserve.

He was finally discharged from service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1919. He was awarded a Silver War Badge, to be worn on the lapel of his civilian clothing to show a Medical Discharge and avoid calls of cowardice.

<div>Stamp: "Please, in returning this form, you should be asked that 'A.C. 15' is not a Rank-Postcard-Service." J. Edgar &amp; London, W.C. inserted on the envelope to C.C.</div> <div>Stamp: "15 MAY 1915" Handwritten: "0154841" Stamp: "WAR OFFICE" Stamp: "ORIGINAL" Text: "ROLL OF INDIVIDUALS entitled to the 'WAR BADGE.'" Text: "NORTHUMBRIA Fusiliers."</div>								
Regt. No.	Rank	Name (in full)	Unit discharged from	No. of Badge and Certificate (To be completed at War Office)	Date of:—		Cause of Discharge (Wounds or Sickness and para. of K.R.)	Whether served Overseas (Yes or No)
					Enlistment	Discharge		
23511	Pte.	Montgomery, Ernest A	A.R.(P).	1/19295	19. 8.15	2. 4.19	para. 392 A.V.L.a.	Yes

Ernest was awarded a Disablement pension from the 21<sup>st</sup> August 1918, totaling £27 10 shillings.

PENSION EXPIRES.		SOLDIERS													
Award Sheet.—Disablement Pension.															
Name <b>Montgomery, Ernest Andrew</b>		Code <b>BF2B 6550</b>													
Regt. No. <b>23511</b>	Rank <b>Pte</b>	SERVICE.													
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Date of Discharge <b>21.8.18</b>		Date of commencement of Pension													
Cause of Discharge <b>Transferred to Army Reserve. Finally discharged. 2.4.19</b>															
Rate of pension <b>£27 10</b>		Deductions from S.H. Credits													
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Opinion of Medical Officer		Opinion of Pension Officer													

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APPEAL TRIBUNAL



**MONTGOMERY.** Ernest Andrew

North<sup>a</sup>. Hus. 23511.

S.B.A. 9803. Trans. 21.8.18.

Ad 21.8.18 at £27<sup>10</sup> from Grate  
to — Chelsea No. 6550.  
Received 19.8.18.

66 Frederick St  
Rotherham  
Yorks.

Ernest did not see any overseas war service nor was he sent to a Theatre of War and therefore did not receive any medals, just his Silver War Badge.

Name	Corps	Reg. No.	Rank	Date of Discharge	Cause of Discharge
MONTGOMERY ERNEST A.	A.R.(D) North Hus	1153	Private	2.4.19	5926 (XVII) Enlistment 19.8.18 to 2.4.19
Date of application		(a) Badge		(b) Medal	
No. of File		"		"	
Address of applicant:—					
Action taken List 0/3757/1					

W9569—RP2794 100,000 3/19 HWY(P727) K636



On 5<sup>th</sup> December 1919 Ernest and Pamela had a 4<sup>th</sup> child, a daughter Norah. Ernest was still a miner the family living at the same 1911 home at 66 Frederick Street.

BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of Rotherham  
in the County of Yorks. in the Year 1919.

When Baptised.	Child's Christian Name.	Parent's Name.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
		Christian.	Surname.			
Dec 5 <sup>th</sup> 1919.	Norah	Ernest	Montgomery	66 Frederick Street.	Miner	A. Sturley
		Pamela				

No. 483

In the 1921 census Ernest, Pamela and there 4 children are still living on Frederick Street, Ernest a Miner, Out of work, his 16 year old son a rope hand at the same mine but also out of work.

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Please read the Instructions and Examples shown on the back, and then fill up the Schedule carefully and in full.

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NAME and RESIDENCE	AGE	SEX	RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF FAMILY	EDUCATION AND NATURALIZATION	PERSONAL OCCUPATION	OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYMENT		DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF DEATH
						EMPLOYMENT	DATE OF BIRTH		
Ernest Andrew Montgomery Head	42-6	M	Head	Rotherham Yorkshire	Coal Miner (Under)	out of Work	06/3/78		
Pamela Montgomery Wife	42-6	F	Wife	Rotherham Yorkshire	Home Duties				
Harold Montgomery Son	16-9	M	Son	Rotherham Yorkshire	Rope Hand	out of Work	06/3/78		
Ernest Andrew Montgomery Son	14-1	M	Son	Rotherham Yorkshire	Grand Boy	out of Work	06/3/78		
Charles Montgomery Son	11-7	M	Son	Rotherham Yorkshire					
Norah Montgomery Daughter	1-6	F	Daughter	Rotherham Yorkshire					

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature *E. A. Montgomery*  
(Head of Household, Person at the Head of the Household, or Person at the Head of the Household)

**This space to be filled up by the Enumerator.**

Registration District.	Registration Sub-District.	Enumeration District.
571	2	26

Name of person responsible for making the return *Mr. Montgomery*

Postal Address *66 Frederick St.  
Rotherham*

By 1939 Ernest was working as a Stoneman Below Ground 'in a coal mine' and still living at 66 Frederick Street.

E.D. Letter Code **KHDA** Borough, U.D. or R.D. **ROTHERHAM** Registration District and Sub-district **511-1**

ADDRESS.	SCHEDULE		SURNAME AND OTHER NAMES.	O. V. S. P. or I.	M. or F.	BIRTH		S. M. W. or D.	PERSONAL OCCUPATION
	No.	Sub. No.				Day.	Year.		
66 FREDERICK STREET 152	1		MONTGOMERY ERNEST A	-	M	9	DEC 78	M	STONEMAN IN COAL MINE BELOW GROUND
			MONTGOMERY PAMELA	-	F	14	DEC 78	M	UNPAID DOMESTIC DUTIES
			MONTGOMERY NORAH	-	F	5	DEC 19	F	LABOURER WINE & SPIRITS WAREHOUSE

Ernest passed away 1 year later, in 1940 aged 61.