



HE whom this scroll commemorates was numbered among those who, at the call of King and Country, left all that was dear to them, endured hardness, faced danger, and finally passed out of the sight of men by the path of duty and self-sacrifice, giving up their own lives that others might live in freedom. Let those who come after see to it that his name be not forgotten.

128912, PRIVATE, Ernest Dickenson HEWITT

(Infantry).

Machine Gun Corps

Died of wounds, France & Flanders, 19/04/18

Born: Preston, Enlisted: Preston

FORMERLY 7646, N. LANCS REGT.

**In Memory of
Private E D HEWITT**

**128912, 19th Bn.,
Machine Gun Corps (Infantry) formerly,
The Loyal North Lancashire Regiment**

who died age 19 on 19 April 1918

Son of Mary Ann Hewitt, of Hutton, Preston.

**Remembered with honour
TOURCOING (PONT-NEUVILLE) COMMUNAL
CEMETERY**



**Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission**

Name: HEWITT

Initials: E D

Nationality: United Kingdom

Rank: Private

Regiment/Service: Machine Gun Corps (Infantry)

Unit Text: 19th Bn.

Secondary Regiment: The Loyal North Lancashire Regiment

Secondary Unit Text: formerly 7646

Age: 19

Date of Death: 19/04/1918

Service No: 128912

Additional information: Son of Mary Ann Hewitt, of Hutton, Preston.

Casualty Type: Commonwealth War Dead

Grave/Memorial Reference: R. 7.

Cemetery: TOURCOING (PONT-NEUVILLE) COMMUNAL CEMETERY

Cemetery: TOURCOING (PONT-NEUVILLE) COMMUNAL CEMETERY

Country: France

Locality: unspecified

Visiting Information: This cemetery is closed each day between 12.00 and 14.00 hours. Wheelchair access possible via main entrance. For further information regarding wheelchair access, please contact our enquiries dept. on 01628 634221.

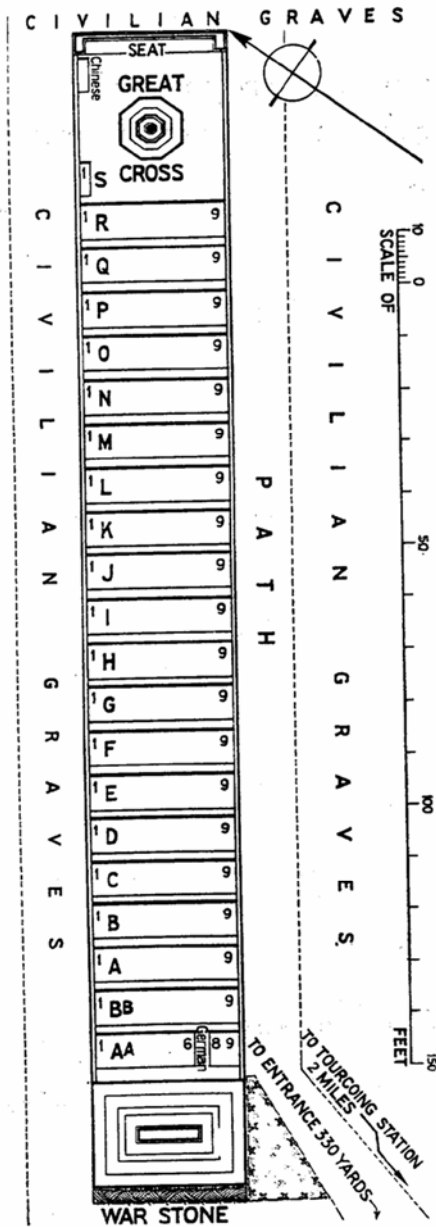
Location Information: Tourcoing is a town in the Lille district and the Communal Cemetery is located in the village of Neuville, which lies between Halluin and Tourcoing. Leave Neuville on the D291 heading towards Tourcoing. Passing in front of the church, on the left hand side, the cemetery entrance will be found 200 metres from the church on the same side. The Commonwealth War Graves Plot is situated in the centre of the cemetery.

Historical Information: The 10th Stationary Hospital and the 8th and 10th Casualty Clearing Stations were posted at Tourcoing in November, 1918, and for some months after. The cemetery was used by the enemy; and after the Armistice officers and men who died in the British hospitals were buried in a plot in the middle of the cemetery. The 68 British Prisoners of War graves were then regrouped into the British plot. There are nearly 200, 1914-18 war casualties commemorated in this cemetery. Of these, a small number are unidentified. The cemetery covers an area of 755 square metres.

No. of Identified Casualties: 179

Cemetery Plans

TOURCOING (PONT-NEUVILLE) COMMUNAL CEMETERY



TOURCOING (PONT-NEUVILLE) COMMUNAL CEMETE

Private Ernest HEWITT's grave at R. 7 highlighted

Name.	Corps.	Rank.	Regtl. No.
HEWITT.	M. G. C.	Pte	128912
Ernest D.			
Medal.	Roll.	Page.	Remarks.
VICTORY	M G C / 101 B 79	6302	
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Theatre of War first served in			
Date of entry therein			

K. 1380

Correspondence

Address

Private 128912 Ernest D. Hewitt's medal record card

Record No.	Registry No.	Soldier's Name	Regiment, Rank, No.	Date and Place of Death	CREDITS			CHARGES			Date of Authority	To whom Authorised	Amount Authorised			No. of List in which advertised
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UK, Army Registers of Soldiers' Effects, 1901-1929

This database contains records detailing the money owed to soldiers of the British Army who died in service from 1901 to 1929.

Payments went first to widows, or, if the soldier wasn't married, to a parent (often a mother) or siblings.

The Machine Gun Corps



This section of the Long, Long Trail will be helpful for anyone wishing to find out about the history of the units of the Machine Gun Corps.

"No military pomp attended its birth or decease. It was not a famous regiment with glamour and whatnot, but a great fighting corps, born for war only and not for parades. From the moment of its formation it was kicking. It was with much sadness that I recall its disbandment in 1922; like old soldiers it simply faded away".

So said former machine gunner George Coppard, in his epic autobiography "With a machine gun to Cambrai".

The MGC units

The history of each unit of the MGC can be found by clicking the appropriate link below.

[MGC Companies and MGC Battalions](#)

[MGC Cavalry Squadrons](#)

[Motor Machine Gun units](#)

[Heavy Section MGC](#)

[Guards Machine Gun Regiment](#)

The formation and development of the Corps

Early days

In 1914, all infantry battalions were equipped with a machine gun section of two guns, which was increased to four in February 1915. The sections were equipped with Maxim guns, served by a subaltern and 12 men. The obsolescent Maxim had a maximum rate of fire of 500 rounds, so was the equivalent of around 40 well-trained riflemen. However, production of the weapons could not keep up with the rapidly expanding army and the BEF was still 237 guns short of the full establishment in July 1915. The British Vickers company could, at most, produce 200 new weapons per week, and struggled to do that. Contracts were placed with firms in the USA, which were to produce the Vickers designs under licence.

An infantry Maxim machine gun team in action during the First Battle of Ypres



The need for specialist skills

The experience of fighting in the early clashes and in the First Battle of Ypres had proved that the machine guns required special tactics and organisation. On 22 November 1914 the BEF established a Machine Gun School at Wisques in France, under Major C. Baker-Carr, to train new regimental officers and machine gunners, both to replace those lost in the fighting to date and to increase the number of men with MG skills. A Machine Gun Training Centre was also established at Grantham in England.

The Machine Gun Corps is created

On 2 September 1915 a definite proposal was made to the War Office for the formation of a single specialist Machine Gun Company per infantry brigade, by withdrawing the guns and gun teams from the battalions. They would be replaced at battalion level by the light Lewis machine guns and thus the firepower of each brigade would be substantially increased. The Machine Gun Corps was created by Royal Warrant on October 14 followed by an Army Order on 22 October 1915. The companies formed in each brigade would transfer to the new Corps. The MGC would eventually

consist of infantry Machine Gun Companies, cavalry Machine Gun Squadrons and Motor Machine Gun Batteries. The pace of reorganisation depended largely on the rate of supply of the Lewis guns but it was completed before the Battle of the Somme in 1916. A Base Depot for the Corps was established at Camiers.

The MGC is re-equipped

Shortly after the formation of the MGC, the Maxim guns were replaced by the Vickers, which became a standard gun for the next five decades. The Vickers machine gun is fired from a tripod and is cooled by water held in a jacket around the barrel. The gun weighed 28.5 pounds, the water another 10 and the tripod weighed 20 pounds. Bullets were assembled into a canvas belt, which held 250 rounds and would last 30 seconds at the maximum rate of fire of 500 rounds per minute. Two men were required to carry the equipment and two the ammunition. A Vickers machine gun team also had two spare men.

The infantry begins to be revolutionised

In 1914 the light Lewis gun was in experimental stage. It was a shoulder-held air-cooled light automatic weapon weighing 26 pounds and loaded with a circular magazine containing 47 rounds. The rate of fire was up to 700 rounds per minute, in short bursts. At this rate, a magazine would be used up very quickly. The Lewis was carried and fired by one man, but he needed another to carry and load the magazines. Lewis guns were supplied to the army from July 1915, initially to six selected Divisions and then to more as they were produced in increasing numbers. The original official establishment was 4 per infantry battalion (and per cavalry regiment), but by July 1918, infantry battalions possessed 36 each and even Pioneer battalions had 12. This very significant increase in battalion firepower enabled new and successful infantry tactics to be devised.

British Vickers machine gun crew wearing PH-type anti-gas helmets. Near Ovillers during the Battle of the Somme, July 1916. The gunner is wearing a padded waistcoat, enabling him to carry the machine gun barrel. IWM photograph Q3995, with permission. Note that the left hand soldier has an MGC badge on his shoulder.



Machine gun tactics develop

There are many instances where a single well-placed and protected machine gun cut great swathes in attacking infantry. Nowhere was this demonstrated with more devastating effect than against the British army's attack on the Somme on 1 July 1916 and against the German attack at Arras on 28 March 1918. It followed that multiple machine guns, with interlocking fields of fire, were an incredibly destructive defensive weapon. The German army developed their Hindenburg Line, to which they withdrew in spring 1917, and relied greatly on machine guns for defence. The British copied this. In addition, both offensively and defensively, the MGC began to fire in co-ordinated barrages. The guns of the 2nd and 47th (London) Divisions fired an indirect barrage over the heads of their advancing infantry, and behind the German trenches (in other words, this was an interdiction barrage, to stop enemy attempts to reinforce or re-supply their front), during the Battle of Loos on 25 September 1915. This was possibly the first time an indirect fire tactic was borrowed from the artillery. Later, and certainly by the Battle of Messines in June 1917, machine gunners were also employing creeping barrages, with fire falling ahead of the artillery barrage to catch enemy troops moving to the rear. They would concentrate fire on specific targets, or sweep the enemy ground behind his front and support positions. Machine guns for these tasks were generally placed about 1000 yards behind the advancing infantry and were moved up as soon as the enemy positions were captured. Machinegun tactics had in fact, become more like those of the artillery than of the infantry.

Firepower is further increased

A further proposal to provide each Division with a fourth Company, and to increase the Lewis guns at the battalion to 16, was sanctioned. The Lewis numbers were delivered by 1 July 1916, but the Divisional Machine Gun Company did not come into existence until April 1917. From then onward, there was one MGC Company for each of the three Brigades plus one under Divisional command, in each Division.

The establishment of the MGC

A total of 170,500 officers and men served in the MGC, of which 62,049 were killed, wounded or missing.

Overview

The Machine Gun Corps is probably one of the most difficult Great War units to research.

It was one of the few "war raised" units, having no existence prior to the conflict, and suffering the ignominy of being disbanded entirely in the years immediately following.

Researchers find it hard to understand why such a vast organisation (well over 100,000 serving soldiers, plus officers, at its highest strength) should have left behind so few tangible records.

It has been suggested that the army "establishment" wanted to quickly forget that the Corps ever existed - it had, after all, taken away from the long established infantry regiments some of the very best and cleverest officers whose skill at arms, in mathematics, trigonometry and calculus would become such an asset in the operation of the Vickers machine guns.

It starved the line regiments of recruits, taking the fittest and the best to try and satisfy the demand for more, and yet more, intelligent young men to man the guns.

It succeeded beyond the wildest dreams of its conception, becoming in two short years a model of ruthless efficiency and operational supremacy.

Little wonder that its demise was looked upon with satisfaction in some quarters. Conveniently, perhaps, all of its operational records, its establishments and regimental orders were totally destroyed in a mysterious fire which took place at the last Headquarters of the Corps, at Shorncliffe, near Folkestone in 1920. Not a single sheet of paper survived and even the partly written history of the Corps was lost. No attempt has been made to put right this omission until recent years.

This disaster, together with the loss of so many personal enlistment files in September 1940, during the blitz on London, has made the job of researching MGC soldiers an enigma for the average genealogist. Official figures suggest that about 35% of original files still exist, but "in depth" research into those

held by the National Archives (and available on-line via Ancestry) reveal that, in respect of the MGC, only about 20% can be found. Of these, a significant number are duplicated, leaving a net percentage nearer to 15%. The chances of finding a specific file is in the order of one in six.

The concept of the MGC Research Database was to bring together in one place, in one format, as many facts, however minute, in respect of any soldier who once wore the badge of the crossed-Vickers guns. In doing so, and by using a professional computer archiving system, a totally unique reference tool has slowly been built. Data from this archive can be merged and manipulated in a way which can provide answers to questions that no other storage medium can attempt.

Many thousands of hours have gone into building the database, which currently contains some information on over 100,000 former MGC personnel. The project is live and ongoing - new records are being created daily and will continue far into the future. We welcome contributions (particularly photographs) submitted by the descendants of our former soldiers, all of which are faithfully recorded for posterity.

Other reading

With a Machine Gun to Cambrai by George Coppard. Cassell 1999.

The Mudhook Machine Gunner By Allan Mott (Galago Books)

The Machine Gunner 1914-1918 by Charles Crutchley (Imperial War Museum Books).

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HEWITT, WILLIAM HERBERT

Rank:

Private

Service No:

29483

Date of Death:

14/12/1917

Age:

27

Regiment/Service:

East Yorkshire Regiment

4th Bn.

Grave Reference

I. E. 18.

Cemetery

TYNE COT CEMETERY

Additional Information:

Husband of Gertrude Hewitt, of 1, Lady Place, Bow Lane, Fishergate Hill, Preston, Lancs.

Private 128912 Ernest Dicki(e)nson HEWITT

Private Ernest Dicki(e)nson HEWITT was born on 15 January, 1899, at 57 Atkinson Street, Preston, his middle name being that of his mother Mary Ann's surname, (born in Cheshire in 1867) a common practice of those times, whilst his father Walter, was a commercial traveller, (born in Preston in 1869). They were married at St. Peter's church, Preston, now part of the UCLan campus, on 25th January, 1885.

There were four children of the marriage, William Herbert born 1889, who also died in the War and is buried at Tyne Cot Cemetery, Passchendale. He would marry Gertrude Flood in 1910 but there would be no children from the marriage. She would remain a widow until her death in 1964.

Sister Ethel was born in 1891 whilst the family were living in Manchester. No trace has yet been found of any subsequent family.

Brother Percy Dickinson was born in 1894 but died as an infant the following year.

On leaving school, **Ernest D.** Took up employment at Paul Berry's slipper works in Preston, prior to him enlisting with the Loyal North Lancashire regiment in February, 1917, before transferring to the rapidly increasing numbers of the newly formed Machine Gun Corps.

His Army records have not survived so little is known of his military service other than he was taken prisoner-of-war around April 1917 and subsequently died of wounds whilst in German military custody. He is buried at Tourcoing communal cemetery north of Lille, then behind the German lines. He was awarded the British war medal and the Allied victory medal and may well have been awarded the campaign star in view of the circumstances surrounding his death.

As a Preston lad, he is listed on the Harris Museum Roll-of-Honour, under the Loyal North Lancs Regt., but by the end of the war, his widowed mother with three dead sons, two during the war, was residing in Pope Lane, Hutton, and nearby Hewitt Close is named in his honour. He is also remembered on the Hutton village war memorial.

His mother received a gratuity of £6 and 8 shillings on his death.

from: **Vivien Hastewell**
to: Stewart McLoughlin <big.makk@virgin.net>
date: 3 June 2015 at 17:42
subject:Hutton News

Hello Stewart

It seems quite some time since I contacted you. Due to unprecedented excitement in Hutton recently, we have not had the space to print further stories of our War Memorial servicemen. Are you able to send me one more for this next Newsletter?

I hope that you are keeping well and busy.

Regards

Vivien

from: STEWART MCLOUGHLIN <big.makk@virgin.net>
to: Vivien Hastewell
date: 10 June 2015 at 23:24
subject: HUTTON NEWS - WW1 CASUALTY

Hello again Vivien.

Glad to hear that there is lots of excitement in Hutton these days.

I am still very busy with my research and have just returned from a fortnight away part of which was in Lincolnshire looking at our Bomber Command casualties. There is so much to do.

Anyway, as you have requested, please find attached a biography of another Hutton casualty, though as with many their connections to the village can be tenuous, but he isn't remembered anywhere else.

I have only sent you one biography as requested, but whenever you need more, just give me a call.

Hope you are feeling better that when I last saw you. I bumped into Roger Mitchell the other day on the surgery car park. Isn't he looking well after his recent troubles.

Regards

Stewart

STEWART MCLOUGHLIN <big.makk@virgin.net>
to: Vivien Hastewell
date: 12 June 2015 at 19:15
subject:HUTTON NEWS

Hello Vivien

Can you please delete the e.mail I forwarded the other day about Ernest Dickinson HEWITT. I have just today learned of other information about him and attach a new biography of him to replace the previous.

Sorry for the extra but it is a continuous research agenda that I am working with.

By-By

Stewart

from: **Vivien Hastewell**
to: STEWART MCLOUGHLIN <big.makk@virgin.net>
date: 13 June 2015 at 09:05
subject:Re: HUTTON NEWS

Hello Stewart

Thank you for this.

Regards, Vivien

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Lancashire Marriage indexes for the years: 1885

Surname	Forename(s)	Surname	Forename(s)	Church / Register Office	Registers At	Reference
HEWITT	Walter	DICKINSON	Mary Ann	Preston, St Peter	Preston	250/1/419

Total records matching : 1

No matching records were found for HEWITT in the following years:

1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920

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The Town of Preston, Preston
in the County of Lancashire

Banns: St Peter, Preston, Lancashire, England

Walter Hewitt - 21, 129 Havelock St

Mary Anne Dickinson - 23, 18 Brougham St

First Reading: 31 May 1885; Read By: Revd. D. F. C

Notes: Banns request signed by groom. Banns Register entry crossed through

Groom Lived At Abode: 1 year

Bride Lived At Abode: 3 months

Date Banns Requested: 30 May 1885

Register: Banns 1864 - 1886, Page 251, Entry 500

Source: LDS Film 1471022 Items 9 & 11

Marriage: 25 Jun 1885 St Peter, Preston, Lancashire, England

Walter Hewitt - 21, Teacher, Bachelor, 129 Havelock St

Mary Ann Dickinson - 23, Dressmaker, Spinster, 18 Brougham St

Bride's Father: William Dickinson, Ostler

Witness: James Turner; E E Dickinson

Married by Banns by: Henry J Sibthorp Clk M.A. Curate

Register: Marriages 1864 - 1887, Page 210, Entry 419

Source: LDS Film 1796146

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Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1899

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HEWITT	Ernest Dickenson	St Peters	Preston	DICKENSON	ST.P/62/5

Total records matching : 1.

No matching records were found for Ernest HEWITT in the following years:

1897, 1898, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903

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Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1889

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HEWITT	William Herbert	Trinity	Preston	DICKINSON	TR/31/36

Lancashire Birth indexes for the years: 1894

Surname	Forename(s)	Sub-District	Registers At	Mother's Maiden Name	Reference
HEWITT	Percy Dickinson	St Peters	Preston	DICKINSON	ST.P/48/28

Total records matching : 2.

No matching records were found for HEWITT in the following years:

1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910

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Lancashire Death indexes for the years: 1895

Surname Forename(s) Age Sub-District Registers At Reference

HEWITT Percy Dickinson 1 St Peters Preston [ST.P/35/27](#)

Total records matching : 1.

If you haven't found the **Percy d HEWITT** that you're looking for, it may be that the indexes for your area of interest have not been transcribed yet. See our [coverage](#) page for more information.

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Information regarding the purchase of certificates can be found in the [Deaths Information](#) page.

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Lancashire Marriage indexes for the years: 1910

Surname	Forename(s)	Surname	Forename(s)	Church / Register Office	Registers At	Reference
HEWITT	William Herbert	FLOOD	Gertrude	Preston Register Office or Registrar Attended	Preston	PRESTON/135/192

Total records matching : 1

If you haven't found the **William HEWITT** that you're looking for, it may be that the indexes for your area of interest have not been transcribed yet. See our [coverage](#) page for more information.

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Lancashire **BMD**

Births, Marriages and Deaths on the Internet

In the results below, the reference number will be a link. Clicking on this link will add your choice to a summary list on a new page. From this [summary page](#) you will be able to review all your search results and you will find links to printable application forms which can be used to order the certificate for the index entry. Full details of the charges and the Register Office address can be found on the form.

BIRTHS

Total records matching : 0.

No matching records were found for Flood / HEWITT in the following years:

1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921

If you haven't found the **Flood HEWITT** that you're looking for, it may be that the indexes for your area of interest have not been transcribed yet. See our [coverage](#) page for more information.

Many other counties have their BMD indexes on-line. If you can't find the entry in this area, perhaps you could try a neighbouring area. See the **Local BMD** section of



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Lancashire **BMD**

Births, Marriages and Deaths on the Internet

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Lancashire Death indexes for the years: 1964

Surname	Forename(s)	Age	Sub-District	Registers At	Reference
HEWITT	Gertrude	77	Preston North East	Preston	PNE/14D/41

Total records matching : 1.

No matching records were found for Gertrude HEWITT in the following years:

1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975

If you haven't found the **Gertrude HEWITT** that you're looking for, it may be that the indexes for your area of interest have not been transcribed yet. See our [coverage](#) page for more information.

Many other counties have their BMD indexes on-line. If you can't find the entry in this area, perhaps you could try a neighbouring area. See the **Local BMD** section of

Information regarding the purchase of certificates can be found in the [Deaths Information](#) page.

Click on the appropriate reference number in the tables above to add your choice to a [summary page](#). From the summary page you will be able to review all your search choices and print off application forms to order copy certificates.

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The Town of Preston, Preston in the County of Lancashire

There was 1 match for this search!

Baptism: 6 Jun 1894 St Peter, Preston, Lancashire, England
Percy Hewitt - [Child] of Walter Hewitt & Mary Ann
Abode: 43 Bolton St Preston
Occupation: Traveller
Notes: P
Baptised by: D F Chapman
Register: Baptisms 1893 - 1900, Page 9, Entry 71
Source: LDS Film 1471022

There was 1 match for this search!

Baptism: 22 Feb 1899 All Saints, Preston, Lancashire, England
Ernest Dickenson Hewitt - [Child] of Walter Hewitt & Mary Ann
Born: 15 Jan 1899
Abode: 57 Atkinson Street
Occupation: Commercial Traveller
Baptised by: W. Wainmar
Register: Baptisms 1876 - 1900, Page 186, Entry 1486
Source: FHL 1544765

The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the

* Civil Parish [or Township] of		Municipal Borough of		Municipal Ward of	Parliamentary Borough of	Town of	Village or Hamlet, &c., of	Local Board, or Improvement Commissioners District of	Eccelesiastical District of		
Newcastle under Lyne		Newcastle under Lyne		East	Newcastle under Lyne	Newcastle under Lyne		Newcastle under Lyne	St George		
No. of Schedule	ROAD, STREET, &c., and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES		NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	CON-DITION	AGE of	Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN	Whether 1. Deaf-and-Dumb 2. Blind 3. Imbecile or Idiot 4. Lunatic	
		In-habit- ed (A.)	Un-in- habited (B.)								
1	Barracks of the 3rd Regt of Staffordshire Militia			William Dickinson	Head	Mar	49	Serj Major 3rd Staffordshire Militia	Rowkeson - Huntingdonshire		
				Mary do	Wife	Mar	42		Ireland, County Tipperary		
				James do	Son	Unm	14	Tailor's Apprentice	Hants; Portsmouth		
				William do	Son	Unm	11	Scholar	Ireland - Dublin		
				Sarah Jane do	Daughter	Unm	7	Scholar	Staffordsh. Newcastle under Lyne		
				Mary Ann do	Daughter	Unm	4	Scholar	do do		
				James Horton	Head	Mar	42	Color Serj 3rd Staffordshire Militia	do do		
				Emma do	Wife	Mar	44		do do		
				William do	Son	Unm	18	Apprentice to Carriage	do do		
				Elizabeth Horton	Daughter	Unm	12	Scholar	do do		
				Fanny Emma do	Daughter	Unm	4	do	do do		
				Joseph Payne	Head	Mar	43	Color Serj 3rd Staffordshire Militia	Ireland		
				Jane Payne	Wife	Mar	26		Kent - Rochester		
				Robert do	Son		8	Scholar	do - Chatham		
				Joseph do	Son		6	do	Hants - Aldershot		
				Margaret do	Daughter		4	do	Ireland		
				Ellen do	Daughter		2	do	Staffordsh. Newcastle under Lyne		
				Mary do	Daughter		10 mo	do	do do		
				James Peattie	Head	Mar	57	2nd Lieut 3rd Staff. Militia	Scotland		
				Margaret do	Wife	Mar	51		do		
				Jessie Ann do	Daughter		15	Dressmaker (Apprentice)	South Africa		
				Robert do	Son		12	Scholar	Staffordsh. Newcastle under Lyne		
				John Halmanacks	Head	Mar	57	Serj 3rd Staffordshire Militia	do Madingley		
				Elizabeth do	Wife	Mar	35		Cheshire - Macclesfield		
Total of Houses..		12	1	Total of Males and Females..			11	13			

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Reference -
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The 1871 Census showing the Dickinson family in the Staffordshire Militia quarters at Newcastle-under-Lyne
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Administrative County of Lancaster The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the

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Civil Parish of Preston Municipal Borough of Preston Municipal Ward of St Peter's Urban Sanitary District of Preston Town or Village or Hamlet of _____ Rural Sanitary District of _____ Parliamentary Borough or Division of Preston Ecclesiastical Parish or District of St Peter's

No. of Schedule	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	PROFESSION or OCCUPATION	Employer	Employed	Where BORN	18 If (1) Deaf-and-Dumb (2) Blind (3) Lunatic, Imbecile or Idiot
		In- habited	Value (U.S. or other) (Rs.)	Number of rooms (U.S. or other) (Rs.)									
138	41 ^a Moor Lane	1			John Lancaster	Son	29	Shop Porter		X	Lancashire Preston		
					Emily do	Daughter	14	Woolen weaver		X	do do		
					Margaret do	Daughter	19	Milliner		X	do do		
					James H. do	Son	16	Apprentice to Drapery Maker		X	do do		
139	1 Adelphi Place	1			Richard Clarkson	Head	46	Rural Labourer		X	do Whittingham		
					Margaret do	Wife	40				do Preston		
					Robert do	Son	18	Working Clerk		X	do Whittingham		
					Richard do	Son	16	Telegraphist		X	do Preston		
140	do	1			Walter Hewitt	Head	22	Book Keeper		X	do do		
					Mary do	Wife	26				Cheshire Hydenbury		
					William do	Son					Lancashire Preston		
	do	1											
141	4 do	1			John Edge	Head	53	Bank Messenger		X	Lancashire Longton		
					Isabella do	Wife	44				Scotland		
					Edith do	Daughter	19	Washwoman		X	Lancashire Preston		
					Janet do	Daughter	15	Woolen weaver		X	do Burnley		
					Ernest do	Son	12	Dyer's errand boy		X	do do		
					Mary do	Daughter	4	Woolen weaver's scholar		X	do do		
					William do	Son	6	Scholar			do Preston		
					Margaret do	Daughter	6	Scholar			do do		
					Ruth do	Daughter	4	Scholar			do do		
142	5 do	1			Ann Johnson	Head	60	Winder Cotton		X	do Wyresdale		
					William do	Son	24	Railway Stoker		X	do Preston		
					John Singleton	Grandson	11	Scholar			do do		
					Edward Towers	Son-in-law	44	Foundry Labourer		X	do do		
					Margaret do	Daughter	30	Cotton Weaver		X	do do		
143	7 do	1			John Simpson	Head	46	Woolen weaver's scholar			do do		
					Emma do	Wife	38				do do		
					Eliza A. do	Daughter	10	Scholar			do do		
					Joseph do	Son	6	Scholar			do do		
					George do	Son	4				do do		
5	Total of Houses and of Tenements with less than Five Rooms ...	5	16		Total of Males and Females...		16	14					

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The 1891 Census showing the Hewitt's at 2 Adelphi Place, Preston (opposite British Telecom offices on Moor Lane)
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**Adelphi Place, Preston, 2015,
opposite the B.T. office tower on Moor Lane.**

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Number of Schedule 362
(To be filled up by the Enumerator after collection.)

Before writing on this Schedule please read the Examples and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in Ink.

The contents of the Schedule will be treated as confidential. Strict care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, as in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.

NAME AND SURNAME	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family.	AGE (last Birthday) and SEX.		PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE.					PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards.			BIRTHPLACE of every person.	NATIONALITY of every Person born in a Foreign Country.	INFIRMITY.	
		For Infants under one year state the age in months as "under one month," "one month," etc.		Write "Single," "Married," "Widower," or "Widow," or opposite the names of all persons aged 15 years and upwards.	State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of—	Personal Occupation.	Industry or Service with which worker is connected.	Whether Employer, Worker, or Working on Own Account.	Whether Working at Home.	Whether Employed, or Working on Own Account.	Whether Working at Home.				
<p>of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who</p> <p>(1) passed the night of Sunday, April 2nd, 1911, in this dwelling and was alive at midnight, or</p> <p>(2) arrived in this dwelling on the morning of Monday, April 3rd, not having been enumerated elsewhere. No one else must be included.</p> <p>(For order of entering names see Examples on back of Schedule.)</p>															
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.	16.
Maryann Hewitt	Head.		47	Widow		3			Station holder			Widnes Cheshire	English		
Ethel Hewitt			19	Single					Domestic Servant	310	0	not at home	Manchester	English	
Ernest Hewitt			12						Schoolboy	390	1	not at home	Preston	English	
James Carter	Boarder		14	Married					Plasterer	735	8	not at home	Preston	English	
Charles Carter	Boarder		19	Single					Apprentice	784	8	not at home	Preston	English	
George Grit	Visitor		27	Married	10	3		3	Coachman	863	0	not at home	Widnes	English	
Elma Grit	Visitor		36	Married	10	3		3			0	not at home	Widnes	English	

(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

I certify that—

(1) All the ages on this Schedule are entered in the proper sex columns.

(2) I have counted the males and females in Columns 3 and 4 separately, and have compared their sums with the total number of persons.

(3) After making the necessary enquiries I have completed all entries on the Schedule which appeared to be defective, and have corrected such as appeared to be erroneous.

Initials of Enumerator: MH

Total.		
Males.	Females.	Persons.
4	3	7

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

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling (House, Tenement, or Apartment). Count the kitchen as a room but do not count scullery, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom; nor warehouse, office, shop.

5 rooms.

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

Signature: Maryann Hewitt

Postal Address: 17 Taylor Street Preston

**The 1911 census showing the now widowed Hewitt family at 17 Taylor Street, Preston (Broadgate area)
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William Dicki(e)nson

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Mary Ann DICKI(e)Nson

b. 1867 Wybunbury, Cheshire

Walter HEWITT ...

b. 1869 Preston

Commercial Traveller

m.

25 Jan. 1885

St. Peters, Preston

!

!

William

Herbert

!

b. 1889

!

m. Gertrude FLOOD

1910 Preston Registrar's

d. 1964 (77) Preston N.E.

!

d. 14.12.1917

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bur. Tyne Cot Cemetery,

Belgium,

1.E.18

!

X

!

Ethel

!

b. 1891 Manchester

!

Percy

Dickinson

!

b. 1894

!

bap. 6 Jun. 1894

St. Peters, Preston

!

d. 1895

!

X

!

Ernest

Dicki(e)nson

!

b. 15 Jan. 1899

!

bap. 22 Feb. 1899

All Saints, Preston

!

d. 19.04.1918

!

bur. Tourcoing Communal

Cemetery, Nord, France,

R.7

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