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Clarke, John William

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Scope and Content:

A white index card containing the name, rank and military history of a soldier of Waterloo County.

Storage Location: SIC WW1 Box 1

Name Access: Clarke, John William
Clarke, Martha (nee Bowler)

Subject Access: Military life
Soldiers
Salvation Army
World War One, 1914-1918
C. Turnbull Company Limited (Galt, Ont.)
111th Battalion

Place: Almonte, Ontario, Canada [Place of residence]
Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada [Place of residence]
Galt, Ontario, Canada [Place of residence and burial]
Nottingham, England, United Kingdom [Birthplace]

Geographic Access: Almonte, Ontario
Sherbrooke, Quebec
Galt, Ontario
Nottingham, England

Notes: John William Clarke was born in Nottingham, England April 11, 1870. He immigrated to Canada when he was 28 years of age, first spending two years in Sherbrooke, Quebec and one year in Almonte before coming to Galt and residing at 87 Bond Street.

John was employed as a knitter at the C. Turnbull Company up until the time he enlisted into the 111th Battalion. He was married to Martha (nee Bowler), born 1869, died 1946.

John enlisted Jan 10th 1916 at the age of 45. He is described as fair complexion, 120 pounds, brown hair and eyes with no distinctive marks and chest size 34/37 inches. His occupation was stated at knitter and his religion Salvation Army. Regimental number 730341. John served with the 111th (South Waterloo) overseas battalion C.E.F. (Canadian Expeditionary Force) serving as bandsman. He embarked from Halifax Sept 27, 1916 from Halifax aboard the Tuscania. After going overseas he was transferred into forestry corps as a corporal.

When John returned he was employed at McCaskey Systems Ltd for approx 6 months before returning to C. Turnbull Company working as a knitter until the time as his death. John spent three years with the Loughboro Volt band, was a member of the Salvation Army band, and belonged to I.O.O.F. of Almonte and the L.O.L. of Galt.

After a brief six week illness John died in his home Aug 17, 1933 in his 64th year, and was buried at Mountview Cemetery, Galt, Ontario

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Transcription:

Clarke, John William.

Private.

Enlisted with the 111th Battalion at Galt, January 10, 1916.

He was born in England and his next of kin is Mrs. Martha Clarke, 87 Bond St., Galt.

Since his return he lives at 87 Bond St., Galt.

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