FERGUSON, HENRY STEPHENSON

EARLY LIFE

Dec 10, 1897

Born in Chekiang, China to Henry Stewart Ferguson.

Aug 26, 1916

Age 18

Arrived from China on the "Empress China"

Port of Departure: Hong Kong, China

Port of Arrival: Vancouver, British Columbia

MILITARY SERVICE

Jan 3, 1917

Attested to the 198th Overseas Battalion, Canadian Over-seas Expeditionary Force

Attestation Paper

Number: 916994

Present address: 52 Tranby Avenue, Toronto, Ontario

- Next of kin given: Henry Stewart Ferguson (Father) at Maple Avenue Farm,

King, Ontario

Trade or calling: Student

– Married: No

Previous military experience: No

Religion: PresbyterianPhysical attributes:

■ Age: 19 years, 1 month

■ *Height:* 6′0″

Complexion: Fair

Eyes: GreyHair: Brown

Apr 7, 1917

Arrived in England.

Mar 17, 1918

Age 20

Transferred to 19th Battalion.

Sep 3, 1919

Age 21

Corporal Henry Ferguson was discharged because of demobilization. He served in Canada, England and France.

AFTER THE WAR

1940 US Census

Age 42

Lived in Dayton, Montgomery, Ohio, United States in a rented house with his wife Bertha Ferguson (age 42).

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Mark Ferguson married Agnes Scott in 1865. They named their property "Maple Avenue Farm" on account of the avenue of maple trees planted in 1858 by Alex, another son of Thomas Ferguson. This farm remained in the Ferguson family until 1928. A son of

Mark Ferguson, Rev. Henry Ferguson, went to China as a missionary and was captured there by bandits; none of the family ever learned just how he came to his end. Other members of the Ferguson family scattered from Saskatchewan to Florida. By coincidence,

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Honour Roll 1914-1918

REMINISCENCES OF EVERSLEY, ONTARIO, King Township by Alice A. Ferguson (1950)

On the walls of St Andrews Presbyterian Church at Eversley hang two Honour Rolls of the boys who took part in both Wars.. How well I remember we would meet every week to fill boxes of food and things for these boys, sew them up in cotton and send them off. ReM Robert Brydon was minister at this time with dear old Dr.Carmichael assisting. He had retired after 50 years of service to the Tawse Manse House next to the Church. For 50 years he had lived at Strange, in the house that the congregation had built for him when he came to St Andrews Church in 1860 as the assisting minister to Rev John Tawse whose health was failing.

The Sunday School was flourishing and the YoungPeople's Society and the Church Services were well attended every Sunday. All members of the families would attend divine worship, sometimes two pews were allotted to one family.

1914-1918 Roll of Honour

Pte Harper F. Wells
Pte Alex McDonald
Lieu Jas.T Jenkins
Pte Melville Mitchell
Corp T Harry Bovair
Pte Septimus Ball
Pte Norman Lloyd
Pte Roger Gellatly
Lieu Walter S Jenkins
Lieu Roy Wells
Pte Wm Cairns
Pte Alfred Hurst

Pte Henry S Ferguson
Pte Fred Hope
Pte Leonard Ferguson
Pte Leslie Hope
Pte Harvey Gellatly
Pte J.Pearson Wells
Pte Cecil L. Wells
Pte Lorne Mitchell
Pte Arwood Cairns
Pte Lindsey Ferguson
Pte Arthur Bovair