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Age	Name:	Capt Herbert Claude BARTLETT 11th Btn, Essex Regiment, MC, MID		
	Parents:		Clement Henry BARTLETT (born in 1867 in Westbury, Wiltshire, ENG - died 9 Jun 1949 in Wiltshire, ENG) and Florence Ellen BLACKER (born in 1871 in Sussex, ENG - died 24 Nov 1933 in Hampstead, London, ENG)	
20	Life Range	10 Dec 1895- 15 Sep 1916		
-28	1867	Birth of Father:	Clement Henry BARTLETT (born in 1867 in Westbury, Wiltshire, ENG - died 9 Jun 1949 in Wiltshire, ENG). In Westbury, Wiltshire, ENG.	
-24	1871	Birth of Mother:	Florence Ellen BLACKER (born in 1871 in Sussex, ENG - died 24 Nov 1933 in Hampstead, London, ENG). In Sussex, ENG.	
0	10 Dec 1895	Birth:	Bath, SOM, ENG. [From Service Record and GRO Birth Registration Index (registered March Quarter 1896; Bath 5c 530)]	
6	1901	Census:	Lyncombe, Bath, SOM, ENG. 7 Cambridge Terrace: Clement Henry BARTLETT , 33, married, Postal Clerk, born Westbury, Wiltshire Herbert Claude BARTLETT, 5, born Bath, Somerset Melinda Martha Mary BLACKER, 55, mother-in-law, living on own means, born Chilcompton, Somerset [Died 1930 Hampstead London] Class: RG13; Piece: 2339; Folio: 10; Page: 11	
16	1911	Census:	Father. Bath, SOM, ENG. 5 New King Street: Clement Henry BARTLETT , 43, "Married Living Apart", Postal Clerk, born Westbury, Wiltshire, (married 15 years; 1 child, living) RG14PN14724 RG78PN893 RD316 SD4 ED22 SN73	
16	1911-1913	School:	Haileybury College. Hertfordshire, ENG. HERBERT CLAUDE BARTLETT MC Captain 11th Battalion., Essex Regiment Who died on Friday 15 September 1916. Age 20. Additional Information: Only child of Clement Henry and Florence Ellen Bartlett, of Bath. Cemetery: THIEPVAL MEMORIAL Somme, France Grave or Reference Panel Number: Pier and Face 10 D Haileybury Register 1862-1983 Batten 1911-13 born 10 December 1896 Killed in Action October 1916 See: https://www.haileybury.com/honour/HAILEYBURY%201916.htm	
18	Oct 1914	Commission:		
19	4 Oct 1915	Overseas:	France.	
20	15 Sep 1916	Death:	France. Killed in Action.	
20	15 Sep 1916	Reported Missing:		
F		Burial:	Thiepval Memorial. (Commemorated)	
34	1929	Mother:	London Electoral Registers. Hampstead, London, ENG. 3 Parsifal Road Florence Ellen PAYNE John René PAYNE Melinda BLACKER Mary JOHNSON	
38	12 Jan 1934	Probate:	Mother. Florence Ellen Bartlett , of 3 Parisfal Road Hampstead, widow , died 24 November 1933. Probate was granted 12 January 1934 to John Payne, Company Director. Effects £39,909 7s. 11d. [England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations),1861-1941]	

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53	6 Jul 1949	Probate:	Father. Gloucestershire, ENG. To Egbert Percy Bartlett, retired civil servant. Effects £190.
		Personal File:	WO 339/24745.
		Regimental No.:	45502/5.
		First Burial:	Bois des Bouleaux, NW of Combles, France.
		Guardian:	William (John René) PAYNE. Born about 1866 London. Son of John (Officer in charge of Indian Mails) and Jane Marion Elizabeth. A glass merchant (The British and Foreign Bottle Co.), along with his brothers Martin Tucker and Francis L. PAYNE in 1904.
		Memorials:	Haileybury. HERBERT CLAUDE BARTLETT, MC Captain 11th Battalion., Essex Regiment Who died on Friday 15 September 1916. Age 20. Additional Information: Only child of Clement Henry and Florence Ellen Bartlett, of Bath. Cemetery: THIEPVAL MEMORIAL Somme, France Grave or Reference Panel Number: Pier and Face 10 D Haileybury Register 1862-1983 Batten 1911-13 Born 10 December 1896. Killed in Action October 1916 https://www.haileybury.com/honour/HAILEYBURY%201916.htm

General Notes:

There are several conumdrums concerning Capt Bartlett:

When he applied for a commission in 1914 he stated he was then serving with 11th Battalion, Essex Regiment, which appears to be untrue.

The only census record I can locate for him is in 1901 when he was living with his father Clement and his maternal grandmother.

In 1911 his father was living alone and stated that he was married but "living apart". His son was not living with him at that time. Possible he was at Haileybury. By that time he may have either gone to live with or put in custody of his mother and William Payne.

All the correspondence on this officer's service file is from his mother Florence **PAYNE** (who was mistaken as being his aunt) with the exception of one item which is signed by J. PAYNE "guardian who adopted him". Unable to locate a marriage for John Payne and Florence Bartlett nee Blacker. When his mother died her probate described her as a widow, but her husband was still living.

In 1911 a John Payne **signed** the census form for the address given as that for this officer's mother Florence. i.e. "17 Regent's Park Terrace, St Pancras" - but the census form states that there were only two servants at that address on the night of the 1911 census. [Note: they might not have been counted in the census as a protest in support of the suffragists.]

This officer was a student at Haileybury College from 1911 to 1913 but does not appear there in the 1911 census. Unable to locate his mother Florence in either the 1901 or 1911 censuses under either Payne or Bartlett. Given the Haileybury connection it is possible his mother and guardian might have been overseas (India?) in 1911.

In his service file there are documents suggesting that there was a considerable amount that was to be deducted from his estate to recover funds from an impress account following an investigation.

It appears that his parents lived apart from at least 1901. His mother Florence later went by the name of PAYNE but she and William (John Rene) PAYNE were never married. Note that her probate was registered under the name of Florence Ellen BARTLETT. As a postal clerk, his father would never have had the funds to pay for his tuition at Haileybury so it was probably paid for by PAYNE.