

	Name:	Capt William George Cubitt CHICHESTER LON TF: 1/8th (City of London)
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	Parents:	Rev. Canon Edward Arthur CHICHESTER (born about 1849 in IRL - died 30 Sep 1925 in Dorking, Surrey, ENG) and Mary Agnes CUBITT (born about 1853 in Ranmore, Surrey - died 6 Feb 1944)
24	Life Range	20 Jul 1892- 15 Sep 1916
	Marriage Status:	This person had no relationships and no children
--43	Abt 1849	Birth of Father: Rev. Canon Edward Arthur CHICHESTER (born about 1849 in IRL - died 30 Sep 1925 in Dorking, Surrey, ENG). In IRL.
--39	Abt 1853	Birth of Mother: Mary Agnes CUBITT (born about 1853 in Ranmore, Surrey - died 6 Feb 1944). In Ranmore, Surrey.
0	20 Jul 1892	Birth: Dorking, Surrey, ENG.
9	1901	Census: Dorking, Surrey, ENG. The Vicarage: CHICHESTER , Edwd A., 52, Vicar of Dorking, born Ireland Mary A., 48, born Ranmore, Surrey Harriet L., 14, born Ranmore Surrey Arthur O., 11, born Dorking, Surrey Mildred M., 10, born Dorking, Surrey Wm G. C. , 8, born Dorking, Surrey (Plus 7 servants) [Class: RG13; Piece: 622; Folio: 83; Page: 5]
19	1911	Census: Wellington College, Berkshire. CHICHESTER , William George Cubitt, 18, Student, born Dorking, Surrey [RG14PN6683 RG78PN332 RD124 SD2 ED4 SN217]
22	28 Sep 1914	Commission: LG 7 October 1914, p. 8011.
23	1 Nov 1915	Overseas:
24	15 Sep 1916	Death: France.
		Burial: Caterpillar Valley Cemetery, Longueval, France.
24	23 Sep 1916	Times Biography: Cousins Killed: The death of two cousins who have fallen at the front is announced in our obituary columns today. They are:- Captain W. G. C. CHICHESTER , London Regt., and Captain H. A. CUBITT , Coldstream Guards. Captain Chichester was the younger son of Canon and the Hon. Mrs Chichester, of the Vicarage, Dorking and a grandson of Lord Ashcombe. He was 24 years old and fell on September 15th. Captain Cubitt was the eldest son of Colonel the Hon. Henry Cubitt, C.B. Lord Lieutenant of Surrey and a grandson of Lord Ashcombe. Educated at Stone House, Broadstairs and Eton ... commission in Coldstream Guards 1911. Promoted Lt Dec 1914, temp. Capt June 1915. MID and Croix de Chevalier of the Legion of Honour. Like his cousin, he was 24 years old and fell during the fighting last week. 4/10/1916 ...son of Canon and Mrs E. A. Chichester, of Dorking, fell on September 15. He was educated at Wellington College and played for Wellington two successive years in the Public Schools Rackets, at Queens. He had just taken his degree at Trinity College, Cambridge, in 1914, when war broke out, and he gained a commission in the London Regiment. He was with his regiment in the evacuation of Suvla Bay and Helles, and after a brief stay in Egypt was ordered to another theatre of operations.

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24	28 Dec 1916	Probate:	Letters of Administration. London, ENG. To Rev Edward Arthur Chichester, clerk. £1,069. NOTE: Surrey History Centre archives Reference 2203/3/1 Title: Letters of Administration of the estate of William George Cubitt Chichester of the Vicarage, Dorking, Lieutenant 1st Battalion London Regiment, who died on 15 Sep 1916 in France on active service, intestate, a batchelor - granted to his father, the Rev Edward Arthur Chichester. Unit Date 28 Dec 1916.
33	1925	Father's Status:	Alive. Died.
33	31 Dec 1925	Probate:	Father. To Arthur O'Neill Cubitt CHICHESTER, Assistant Clerk Parliament of Northern Ireland. £3,852. Resworn £6,292.
52	1944	Mother:	Alive. Died. His maternal grandfather was George Cubitt, 1st Baron Ashcombe.
		Personal File:	No File.
		Father's Occupation:	REL: Anglican Minister.
		Age Diff Parents:	4.
		School:	Wellington.
		Higher Education:	CAMBRIDGE: Trinity.
		Occupation:	Student.
		Brothers:	Youngest of 2. Lt Col Arthur O'Neill Cubitt CHICHESTER, O.B.E., M.C. born 14 July 1889, died 1972 Royal West Surrey Regiment Married Hilda Grace YOUNG, 31 July 1924. Hilda was the daughter of Rt Hon William Robert YOUNG and Mary Alice MacNAGHTEN (daughter of of Rt. Hon. Sir Francis Edmund Workman Macnaghten, 3rd Bt) . Appointed Deputy Lt for County of Antrim 17 May 1944 [<i>Belfast Gazette</i>] 3 Daughters: Rosemary Hilda Deirdre Willa Finola Margaret
		CWGC Register:	London Regt. Royal Fusiliers 1st Btn. Son of the Rev. Canon Edward Arthur and the Hon. Mrs. Chichester, of Ashleigh, Dorking, Surrey.
		Siblings:	Sisters: Harriet Laura , born 1887 Dorking, Surrey. Married 1915, Dorking, Major later Brigadier Alexander Henry Delap WEST , he fought in the Boer War where he was mentioned in despatches, and was wounded. WW1 (5th Army Brigade) he was mentioned in despatches four times. Distinguished Service Order (D.S.O.) and bar (1918) in 1917, and Silver Medal Royal Humane Society. He gained the rank of Brigadier between 1928 and 1932 in the service of the Royal Artillery, Eastern Command. [DSO: For conspicuous gallantry and ability on the 25th and 26th August 1918, in handling two Brigades of artillery during the operations south of the Somme which resulted in the capture of Chateau Wood and Olymona Wood, an advance of some 3,000 yards. In spite of a very heavy barrage, he personally handled his brigade and in a difficult operation contributed largely to the success of

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the infantry. He showed marked courage and ability to command .
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Mildred Mary, born 1891 Dorking, Surrey. Died 1965 Reading
Berkshire, did not marry.

General Notes: **From GWF 26 March 2011:**

Hi Mike & Charles:

Thanks for the information about Chichester and Nathan. Very interesting and much appreciated. The texts of the two Nathan letters I have are below. Both letters are from Captain Nathan to 2050 A/Sjt. James A. Hilling, P.O.R., as he recovered from being wounded in the High Wood attack of Sept. 15, 1916. Hilling was later 370437 with the 5th Londons and was awarded the MM for his actions on March 28, 1918. Nathan's letters are on his personal stationery, the same address is noted on his MIC.

...Letters follow below.

Chris

36, Bassett Road, North Kensington, W. 26 October 1916

Dear Hilling:

You will probably remember me as having commanded No.2 Company of the Post Office Rifles for a short time till I was wounded at Vimy Ridge in July. I have today been very sorry to hear that you are wounded. I hope that it is not very serious and that you are making a good recovery. I will send you some cigarettes and if there is anything else which you particularly wish to have, and I will send it.

Captain Chichester was a dear friend of mine, and I am very anxious to find out what particulars I can of what happened. I should like to come to see you, if you are allowed visitors. Will you let me know on what day and at what time I can come.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

H.L. Nathan Captain

36, Bassett Road, North Kensington, W. 6 November 1916

Dear Hilling:

I have been wanting to get down to Hayling Island to see you, but I am not yet myself sufficiently well from my wound to be able to undertake the rather long railway journey. When I wrote to you before, I did not know that it was so long.

I should be very grateful if you could let me have a few facts about what happened on 15 Sept. I am, of course, particularly anxious to know what happened to Captain Chichester, and I am trying to get what information I can for his parents.

I understand from your letter to me that you were probably last to see him, and were able to bandage him up. We do not yet know exactly what was the nature of his wound, or if he suffered much pain. We had been hoping that he was killed instantaneously. Anything which you can tell me about him will be very helpful-for instance, was he conscious, and did he know that he was seriously hit? Was he able to speak at all?

From others I understand that he was quite cheery before the attack, and that he had done well in the training etc of the Company after I left. Perhaps you can tell me as to this.

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You probably know that CQMS Curman(?) is now Coy Sgt Major of No 2 Coy. The Bn was in action on 7th Oct. and, I fear, lost heavily. It is now, I believe, in the line in Belgium.

I hope that you yourself are getting on well, and will soon be convalescent. If you should be sent to London, I hope you will let me know. I am having a cake made for you, and will send it tomorrow or the next day. I am also sending some more cigarettes.

Yours sincerely,

H.L. Nathan Captain

From "**Armorial families: a directory of some gentlemen of coat-armour, showing which arms in use at the moment are borne by legal authority.**"

The Reverend EDWARD ARTHUR CHICHESTER,
Master of Arts of the University of Cambridge, Vicar of Dorking, in the county of Surrey, and Rural Dean. Born February 23, 1849, being the eldest son of the Reverend George Vaughan Chichester, Bachelor of Arts, by his wife Harriet Eleanor, daughter of Hugh Lyle of Knocktarna, in the county of Antrim. Clubs - Grosvenor, National Conservative. Livery - Dark blue, with silver buttons. Armorial bearings - He bears for Arms: Chequy 01 and gules, a chief vair, impaling the arms of Cubitt, namely, chequy or and gules, on a pile argent, a lion's head erased sable ; and for his Crest, upon a wreath of the colours, a stork rising with a snake in its beak all proper ; and the Motto, " Invitum sequitur honos." Married, April 23, 1884, Mary Agnes, commonly known as the Honourable Mary Agnes, second daughter of the Right Honourable George Cubitt, first Baron Ashcombe ; and by her has Issue - (1) Arthur O'Neill Cubitt Chichester, Esquire, born July 14, 1889 ; (2) William George Cubitt Chichester, Gentleman, born July 20, 1892 ; Harriet Laura ; Mildred Mary. Postal address - The Vicarage, Dorking.
