

Name:		2/Lt Arthur Vernon CLARE LON TF: 1/21st (Co. of London), 1st Surrey Rifles	
Age			
	Parents:	Rev Montague Cecil CLARE M. A. (born in 1868 in Camberwell, LDN, ENG - died 2 Sep 1920 in Shanghai General Hospital, China) and Lilian Ada LONG (born in 1865 in Reading, BRK, ENG - died 9 Jun 1949 in Worthing, Sussex)	
20	Life Range	30 Sep 1895-	15 Sep 1916
	Marriage Status:	This person had no relationships and no children	
-30	1865	Birth of Mother:	Lilian Ada LONG (born in 1865 in Reading, BRK, ENG - died 9 Jun 1949 in Worthing, Sussex). In Reading, BRK, ENG.
-27	1868	Birth of Father:	Rev Montague Cecil CLARE M. A. (born in 1868 in Camberwell, LDN, ENG - died 2 Sep 1920 in Shanghai General Hospital, China). In Camberwell, LDN, ENG.
-2	30 Aug 1893	Travel:	(Mother) From Southampton to Jamaica departing 30 Aug 1893. Miss L. A. Long.
0	30 Sep 1895	Birth:	Kingston, JAMAICA. [<i>Jamaica Civil Birth Registration - FamilySearch</i>]
5	21 Mar 1901	Travel:	Father - from Kingston, Jamaica arriving Bristol 21 Mar 1901.
5	31 Mar 1901	Census:	Wandsworth, LDN, ENG. (Father) 3 Crockerton Road: CLARE , Samuel, 84, Own Means, born Clerkenwell, Middlesex Caroline A., wife, 61, born Southwark, Surrey Mary A., dau, 58, Clerkenwell, Middlesex Montagu C. , son, 32, married, Clergyman Ch. of England, Schoolmaster, born Camberwell, London Agnes C., dau, 30, Governess - School, born Sutton, Surrey (Plus one servant) [RG13 piece 487 folio 18 page 27]
5	29 May 1901	Travel:	From Kingston, Jamaica arriving Bristol 29 May 1901. Accompanied by his mother.
9	12 Nov 1904	Travel:	From London to Durban South Africa departing 12 Nov 1904. Accompanied by his mother.
19	Sep 1914	Enlistment:	
19	4 May 1915	Overseas:	
20	4 Oct 1915	Travel:	(Father) From Liverpool to China via Yokohama departing 4 Oct 1915. "Mr M. C. CLARE", Schoolmaster.
20	27 Feb 1916	Commission:	
20	15 Sep 1916	Death:	France.
		Burial:	Warlencourt British Cemetery, Pas-du-Calais, France.
20	25 Sep 1916	Times Biography:	Summary. Born Jamaica 1895, only child of Mr & Mrs M. C. Clare. Educated at Wychwood School, Bournemouth, Weenan County Colleg, Natal and St Edward's School, Oxford. At the outbreak of war was engaged in the calculating room of the Commercial Union Assurance Company, Cornhill. Hoped to qualify actuarial work. Enlisted September 1914 in 12th London Regiment, to the front April 1915. Previously served in Natal Cadet Corps and OTC. Commission London Regiment February 1916 and fell on 15 September 1916, two weeks before obtaining his majority.
21	30 Nov 1916	Probate:	£123. To his mother.
25	1920	Father's Status:	ALIVE. Died.

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25	15 Jun 1921	Probate: Father. London, ENG. ...of 140 Rue du Pere Robert and of the Jewish School both in Shanghai, China, died 2 September 1920 at Shanghai General Hospital, China ... to Lilian Ada CLARE widow. £242.
54	1949	Mother: ALIVE. Died.
		Personal File: No File.
		OTC: JNR: Natal.
		Ranker Unit: London 1/12th Bn (The Rangers) Pvte 2999.
		Father's Occupation: REL: ANGLICAN MINISTER; SCHOOLMASTER. 1891 - Assistant Master, Rugby House School [Census]; Headmaster C. E. Grammar School and Clerk of Parish Church of Kingston Jamaica, 1891 - 1901. [<i>Crockford's Clerical Directory 1908</i>]
		Age Diff Parents: -3.
		School: WEENAN COUNTY COLL, NATAL; ST EDWARD'S OXFORD. The St Edward's School archivist, Chris Nathan (O.S.E.), can be reached on 01865 - 319365; through the school's web site nathanc@stedwards.oxon.sch.uk or at mr-c@nathan.fsnet.co.uk.
		Higher Education: SOUTH AFRICA: CAPE UNIVERSITY; St Edward's School Oxford?.
		Occupation: ACTUARY (TRAINING).
		Empire/Overseas: JAMAICA (BORN): SOUTH AFRICA.
		Brothers: ONLY CHILD.
		CWGC Register: London Regiment (First Surrey Rifles), 21st Bn. Son of Lilian A. Clare, of 5, Westbourne Terrace, Hyde Park, London, and the late Rev. M. C. Clare, M.A.
		Next of Kin: Mother (Medals).
<p>General Notes: Probationer, Institute of Actuaries.</p> <hr/> <p>The father is the enigma in this family - for what reason does an Anglican Clergyman go to China to work as a Schoolmaster in a Jewish School? He appears to have left for China the year before his son was KIA. No evidence of his wife joining him there.</p> <p>I've checked the newspapers but no clues concerning his career in either Jamaica, South Africa or China, and no reports of his death.</p> <p>He (the father) did have twin sisters Annie & Agnes (younger) one of whom may have worked as a Missionary in China.</p>		