

Researcher(s): Date:		Joseph Forsyth 31 May 2016		ORIGIN:	
INFORMATION		DETAIL		SOURCE(S)	COMMENTS
Surname		Appleby		Find My Past birth inde & NBL and DUR baptisms	
Forenames		William			
Date/Place of Birth		24 June 1883, Burnopfield, Durham		Baptism record	Note this is not the date on the original research sheet.
Last Recorded Address pre enlistment		General Delivery, Ladysmith, British Columbia		Attestation paper	
1911 Census Address & details (or latest available)					Unable to locate in 1911 census – not living with parents.
Schools/Colleges attended					
Religion/Church attended pre enlistment		Church of England			
Organisation/Society/Club membership					
Occupation/Trade pre enlistment		Carpenter		Attestation paper	Previously ran a pool hall on Government St, Victoria.
Place of Work pre enlistment					Worked for Ladysmith's mayor and dentist Dr. Roy Dier..
Name of Father		William Appleby. b 1854 d. 24 Apr 1933.		Find My Past birth index and censuses; BC Death Registration	
Name of Mother (maiden name if possible)		Barbara Bulman b. 1857 d. 15 Aug 1896		Find My Past birth index and censuses; BC Death Registration	
Parental Address (if known)		1658 Earle St, Victoria, BC.		1921 Canadian census	
Parent's marriage(s)		30 Sep 1879, Ebchester William's 2 nd marriage to Sarah Jane Cook, 11 July 1898, Victoria, BC		Find My Past marriage index BC Marriage registration	
Siblings	Number	John Henry Appleby. b. 1881, Burnopfield, DUR Herbert Appleby, 13 Feb 1885 – 6 June 1916 Marless Olive Luney b. Oct 14 1900		Find My Past census, birth index Baptism record and service record Herbert Appleby obit.	Dr. lived in Vancouver See separate research sheet Herbert Adopted daughter.
Wife's name and maiden name		Not married			
When and where married					
Children's names	Number				
Remarriage of widow (if applicable)					
Relationship to other subjects		Brother to Herbert Appleby, Reg #428109			
Date of death and age		Date:	9 April 1917	Age:	33
Regiment at end of service		Canadian Infantry			
Battalion at end of service		29 th Battalion		Service Record	
Rank at end of service		Private		Service Record	
Service Number at death/end of service		706843		Service Record	
Place of death (if pre 1921)		Vimy Ridge		Service Record	
Place of death (if post 1921)					
Address at death (if post 1921)					
Occupation at death (if post 1921)					
Battle at death (if		Battle of Vimy Ridge		Service record	

applicable/known)			
Field of action at death (if applicable)			
Cause/Circumstances of death (if known)			
Location of Grave/Memorial	BOIS-CARRE BRITISH CEMETERY, THELUS		CWGC
Grave/Memorial reference (if known)	Grave Reference: I. E. 7.		CWGC
Local/other memorials recorded on			
Details of any other WW1 service: Rank Service Number Regiment Battalion	103 Batt, CEF Embarked SS Olympic at Halifax to Liverpool 29 th Batt Arrive at unit	27 Jan 1916 23 – 31 July 1916 5 Oct 1916 3 Nov 1916	Service record
Date of Enlistment (if known)	27 Jan 1916		Attestation paper
Place of Enlistment	Victoria, BC		Attestation paper
Medals, Decorations and Awards			
Service Record(s) if surviving.	http://central.bac-lac.gc.ca/.item/?op=pdf&app=CEF&id=B0201-S026		
Destination Country	Canada		
Departure from UK	Date:	Vessel:	Port:
	24 Apr 1890	Polynesian	Quebec City
Arrival at Destination	Date:		Port
			Quebec City
Return to England (if applicable)	Date:	Vessel:	Port
Other Immigration Info (if stated)	Accompanied parents and 2 brothers.		

Additional Information – include any information of note

William was a carpenter and probably worked for his father in Victoria. He then operated a pool room on Government Street in that city before going to Ladysmith, BC. His obituary states he worked for "Dr. Dier". This would be the town dentist and mayor, Dr. Roy Dier.

William's service record shows him having a stoppage in pay on 15 Sep 1917 for damage to government property. It appears he deliberately cut his greatcoat and the cost of repairs was 4/-. He was killed in action 9 April 1917 at Vimy Ridge.

William's father, William Appleby, was a well known builder in Victoria, BC. As can be seen from his obituary notice of 26 April 1933 in the Daily Colonist (following) he was survived by one son (John Henry) and a daughter (Mrs J.R. Freer). The existence of a daughter is confirmed in the 1911 Canadian census which shows William and Sarah J Appleby with a daughter Marless Appleby, b. October 1900. I was unable to find a marriage record in BC but there is a death record for Marless Olive Freer, b. 14 Oct 1900 in Victoria, on 19 March 1973. Husband was John Freer. However, her father's name was Charles Luney and her mother was Margaret Terry. Herbert's obituary notice mentions an adopted daughter. The informant on her death certificate was a daughter.

William's obituary appears in the Victoria Times. A copy of the obituary notice follows:

**DIED IN AVENGING
BROTHER'S DEATH**

**Pte. William Appleby Fell in Action Before
Vimy Ridge—Brother Killed Last
June at Ypres**

Mr. W. Appleby, of 1658 Earle Street, received word yesterday morning of the death in action of his son, William, who fell on April 9 during the fighting near Vimy Ridge.

Pte. Appleby left Victoria with the 103rd Battalion and transferred after reaching France to the 29th, "Tobin's Tigers." He was with the bombing section at the time of his death. When last heard from he wrote that he was feeling fit and expected to "go over the top" in a few days. The Canadians, he said, had a big surprise in store for the Boches and he was determined to avenge the death of his brother Harvey, who was killed at Ypres salient last June while with the old 7th Battalion.

The outbreak of war found Appleby at Ladysmith, where he was working with Dr. Dier. He joined the 103rd Battalion about a year ago and went overseas with the unit last July. He was proprietor of a pool room on Government Street before going to Ladysmith. A brother, G. H. Appleby, is in Vancouver, and he would be the third of Mr. Appleby's sons on active service were it not for a crippled hand.

PIONEER BUILDER PASSES IN CITY

**William Appleby Had Resided in
Victoria for Past Forty-Five
Years—Funeral Saturday**

Climaxing forty-five years' residence in Victoria, during which time he was a leading figure in building circles of the city, death summoned William Appleby, 1658 Earle Street, at the age of seventy-nine years, on Monday night. Mr. Appleby's death will be mourned by a great many business men of the city.

Born in England, Mr. Appleby came to Victoria in 1888, and shortly after his arrival, he entered the contracting business. Work flourished here for a long period, and Mr. Appleby became one of the city's leading building officials. Among the larger contracts which he completed here were the University School and Immigration Building.

He is survived by his widow; one son, John Henry; one daughter, Mrs. J. R. Freer; two nephews, George and Norman Baird, and a niece, Mrs. Ball, all of Victoria. Two sons were killed in the Great War.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, under the auspices of the Sons of England, of which lodge Mr. Appleby was an esteemed member. Interment will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

