

TALES FROM THE GREAT WAR: CAPTAIN ALLAN CAMERON



Allan George Cameron was born on 27 July 1880, the son of Donald Cameron of Lochiel, 24th Chief of Clan Cameron and Lady Margaret Elizabeth Montagu Douglas Scott. He married Hester Vere Fraser-Tytler, daughter of Lt.-Col. Edward Grant Fraser-Tytler of Aldourie, on 6 October 1908.

Photograph of young Allan Cameron (centre) with his two older brothers Ewen (left) and Donald Walter (right), c.1885

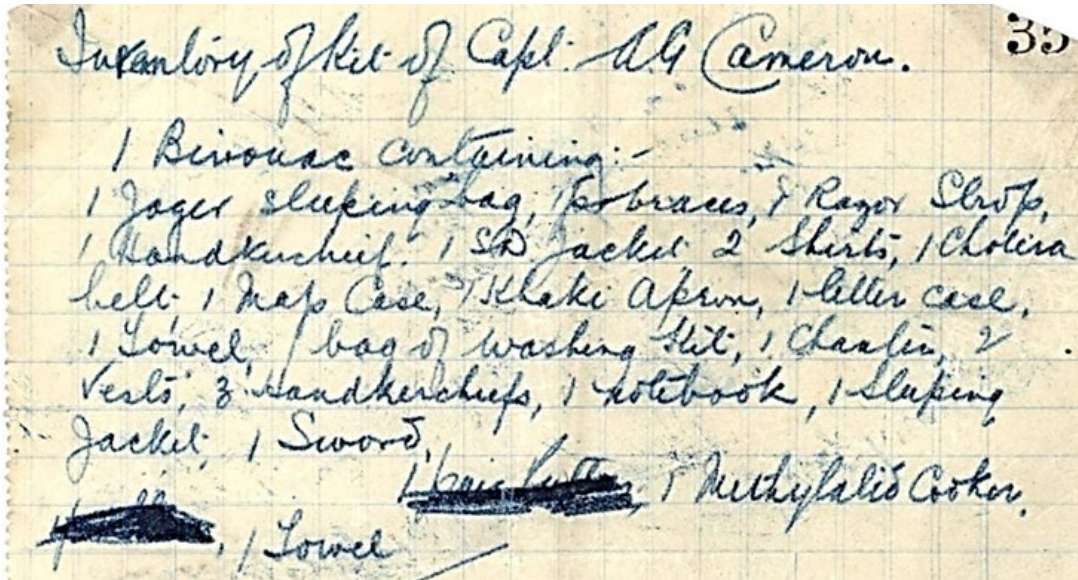
Educated at Eton College and Sandhurst; he rose to the rank of Captain in the service of the 1st Battalion, Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders. As part of the British Expeditionary Force, he was among some of the first British soldiers to fight in the First World War. Stationed at Bourg-et-Comin in Northern France; he fought in the first Battle of the Aisne in September 1914.



Postcard of Rue de Pont, Bourg et Comin, Northern France, c.1915

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Captain Cameron died on 26 September 1914 at age 34, killed when the Regimental Headquarters were hit and destroyed.



Inventory of possessions of late Capt. Allan Cameron, 1914

He is buried alongside four other officers (killed at the same time) in the Bourg-et-Comin Communal Cemetery; the grave is looked after by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

He left a wife and son, later Lt.-Col. Angus Ewen Selwyn Cameron, 20 Jan 1914–Feb 2001.



Gravestone of Captain Allan Cameron (second from right) in Bourg-et-Comin Communal Cemetery