

Photographs and illustrations



A group of Deddington soldiers

The Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, Banbury TA Company

Photograph courtesy of Clive Sanders

(Rear row l to r) Rufus Hancox, John Beesley, Tom Holiday, John Lewis

(Front row l to r) Anon - a Hancox?, Douglas Hopcraft, Stanley Hall, Wilf Mitchell

The photograph was probably taken at a pre-war summer camp.

The men whose names are underlined were not from Deddington at the time but Richard Stanley Hall became publican of the King's Arms in due course. His son, Robin, died while on National Service in 1950 (p.95)



The Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, Banbury TA unit,
1914 - just before they were sent to France

(courtesy of Clive Sanders)

(Back row l to r) Mr R E Lewis, **W Wilkins**, **J H Lewis***, **Wilfrid Mitchell***

(2nd row l to r) Mr **(W) Allen♦**, Mr **(W J) Harper♦**, H Gardner, **C. Ell**, Mr Mold,
Phil Bannard, Sep Mold, Mr Harris and Harold Slaymaker

(3rd row seated on chairs l to r) **Matt Tustain***, **Rufus Hancox***, H E Hopcraft,
J H Harmsworth#, **Bob Giles** (probably Gilkes), **T P Holliday♦**, G Coleman,
A Singleton

(4th row seated on the ground l to r) H White*, Mr Meadows, Mr Alexander*,
S F Hands, **H Checkley**, **J H Callow***, J Holton

The names are handwritten on the back of the photograph but two names are missing from the second row so we cannot be certain as to who was who in it.

Key to names:

The names in **bold** are known to have been from Deddington

* known to have died.

♦known to have been wounded.

awarded the Meritorious Service Medal



A troop of Deddington soldiers some time during 1914 - cover photograph

Courtesy of Clive Sanders, his grandfather Frederick is in the back row third from left



Bartholomew Callow



William Loder French



John Maurice French



Henry Thomas Harper



Percy Pinfold (*seated*)



John Smith (r)



William Smith



**6th Battalion, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry
Private Archie Gomm's Company**

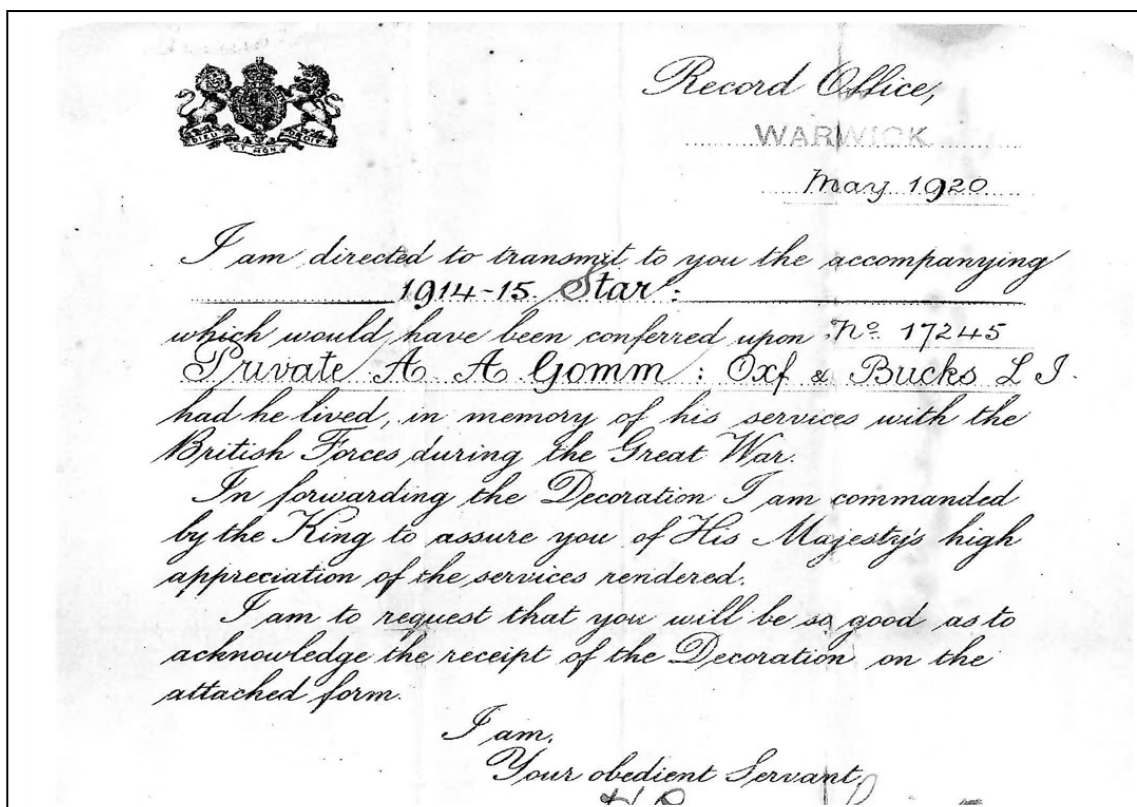
Private Archie Andrew Gomm



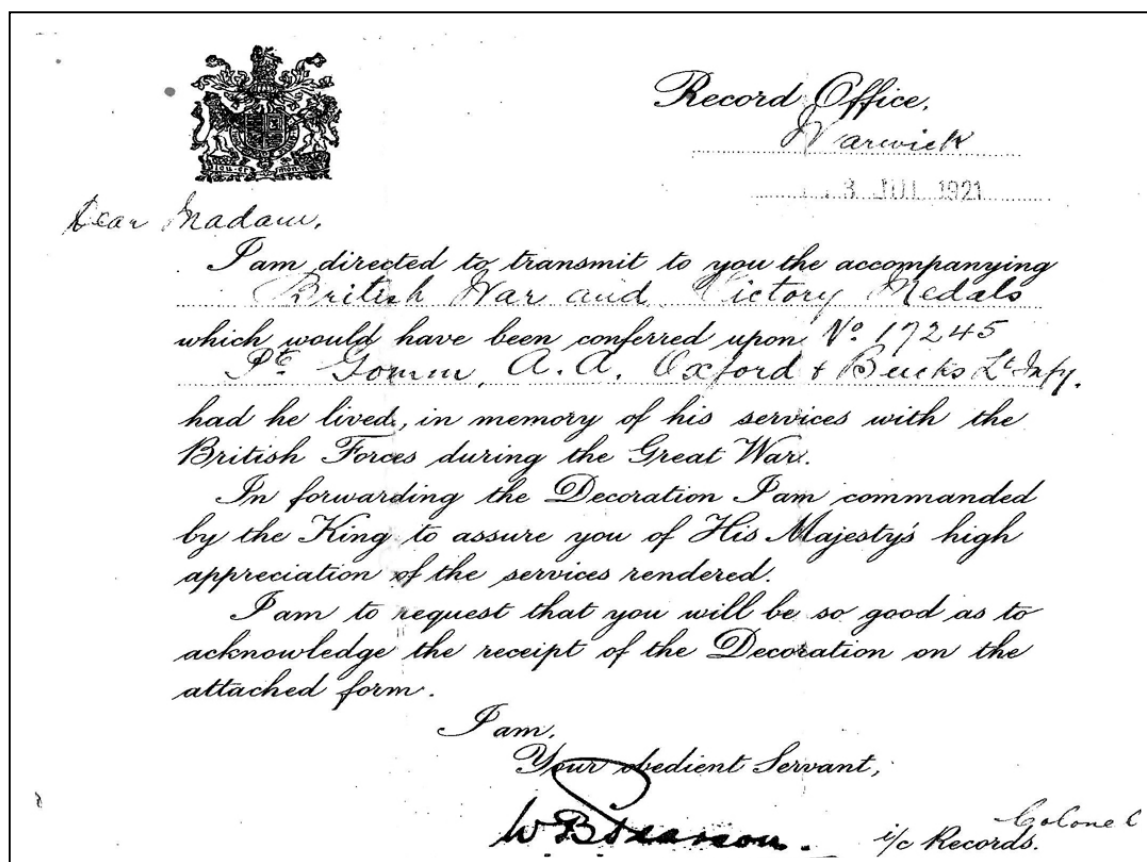
Archie's family still have his medals and award certificates which we reproduce here as being typical of those awarded to many thousands of other soldiers.



Families of the fallen received this plaque known as the 'Dead man's penny'



1914-1915 Star Medal Award



British War and Victory Medal Award