

Private Richard Ainscow Brothers (20001) 10th Bn Canadian Infantry died 30 June 1915 aged 35



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ROBERT BROTHERS
 DENTIST OF THIS TOWN
 WHO DIED 30TH SEPT 1886
 AGED 45 YEARS
 ALSO **ELIZABETH**, WIDOW OF THE ABOVE,
 BORN 15TH MARCH 1847
 DIED 17TH SEPT 1931.
 ALSO OF **RICHARD AINSCOW**
 ELDER SON OF THE ABOVE,
 ONE OF THE CANADIAN CONTINGENT,
 WHO DIED IN FRANCE, 30TH JUNE
 1915, AGED 35 YEARS.

Son of Robert and Elizabeth Brothers, of Ulverston, Lancs.

Born: April 10, 1880 Ulverston, Lancashire, England

Enlistment: September 25, 1914 Valcartier, Québec

Unit: Canadian Infantry (Alberta Regiment)

Division: 10th Bn.

Citation(s): 1914-15 Star, British War Medal, Victory Medal

On the Find a Grave website it says: A livery man by trade, he enlisted in the CEF on 25 Sept 1914 in Valcartier, Quebec, Canada. Husband of M. Brothers of Calgary, Alberta, Canada. His address on his Attestation Papers is given as General Delivery, Calgary. His Service number is given as 20069. He seems to have originally been assigned to the 103rd Regt. Calgary Rifles. He left Quebec on the SS Scandinavian on 4 October 1914. A full medical account from his admission late on 28 June to his death at 2.15 a.m. on 30th can be read in his Personnel Records. Another document gives his occupation as farmer.

<http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/memorials/canadian-virtual-war-memorial/detail/19586?Richard%20Ainslow%20Brothers> NB spell middle name wrong

Died of meningitis

1. NO.	2. RANK OR RATING	3. SURNAME	4. CHRISTIAN NAMES
20001	Private	BROTHERS	Richard Ainscow
5. UNIT OR SHIP	6. DATE OF CASUALTY	7. H.Q. FILE NO.	8. RELIGION
10th Battalion	30-6-15	649-B-945	Church of England
9. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CASUALTY		10. NAME, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
"Died" (Meningitis) at No.10 Stationary Hospital, St.Omer.			

The documents use the term: Cerebro Spinal Meningitis.

Circumstances of Death Registers – Source: Library and Archives Canada. CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH REGISTERS FIRST WORLD WAR Surnames: Broad to Broyak. Microform Sequence 14; Volume Number 31829_B016723; Reference RG150, 1992-93/314, 158 Page 313 of 1128

In the **1881 Census** the Brothers' family were living at 5 Benson Street, Ulverston. Robert Brothers (38) *sic*, Dentist, born Manchester; Elizabeth Brothers (34), born Barrow; A. E. A. Brothers (2), daughter, born Ulverston; Rd. A. Brothers (1), born Ulverston, and General Domestic Servant Eliza Jane Platt (20), born Dalton.

In the **1891 Census** the Brothers family were living at 5 Queen Street, Ulverston (Currently 2020, the Antiques shop). Elizabeth Brothers (43), widow, living on her own means, born Barrow, had 3 children, all scholars, all born

Ulverston: Annie E. A. Brothers (12); Richard A. Brothers (10), and Arthur R. A. Brothers (7). They still had a servant: Caroline Stuart (17), born Dunnerholme. *NB This address is definitely Queen Street.*

In the **1901 Census**, living back at 5 Benson Street were Elizabeth Brothers (53), widow, living on own means; Richard Ainscow (*recorded as Ainscon in Ancestry*) Brothers (20), unreadable occupation but could be joiner; and Arthur Robert Ainscow Brothers (17), Apprentice House Furnisher. Their servant was Elizabeth Sarah Coward (20), born Foxfield.

R. A. Brothers sailed from Montreal to Liverpool on the "Lake Manitoba" (Canadian Pacific Line) in May 1906, listed as a farmer. On 27 April 1907 Richard A. Brothers and Mrs. Minnie Brothers, (wife) both aged 26, sailed from Glasgow to Montreal on the "Pretorian" (Allan Line). Their address is North Battleford, Sack (Saskatchewan).

His medals appear to have been sent to his mother rather than his widow. This is explained by the **National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations) 1923** which has consecutive entries:

BROTHERS Mignonne of Calgary Alberta **Canada** widow died 26 July 1915 Administration **London** 22 October to Charles Gowland signalman. Effects £1327 0s 5d.

BROTHERS Richard Ainscow of Calgary Alberta **Canada** died 30 June 1915 at No. 10 Stationery Hospital St. Omer France Administration (with Will) **London** 3 November to Charles Gowland signalman. Effects £1327 0s 5d

In the **1911 Census** Arthur is a chauffeur, living with his mother at 5 Benson St. This may mean that he is his mother's chauffeur, since further down this page he is listed as "gentleman".

Elizabeth Brothers' maiden name was Fisher. In the **1871 Census** she was living (age 24) at St Mary's Mount with father Richard & mother Elizabeth, both 57, and sisters Margaret (26), Mary (14) & Jane (10). More interestingly, at the 1861 Census she was living with her parents and grandparents, William Fisher (85), farmer of 80 acres, and Elizabeth Fisher (77) at their farm in Barrow. William is the diarist [*Diary of William Fisher of Barrow 1811-1859 Rollinson & Harrison 1986 Centre for North-West Regional Studies*]

When Elizabeth Brothers died in 1931 the **National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations) 1931** has **BROTHERS** Elizabeth of 5 Benson-street Ulverston **Lancashire** died 17 September 1931 Probate **London** 17 October to Arthur Robert Ainscow Brothers gentleman and George Butterfield clerk. Effects £10237 18s 3d. [*£1.25m at 2020 values*]