



Godfrey Alexander FAIRLIE with his friend Albert FORRESTER
Photo taken about January 1918 probably in England when they were on leave



Photo of Albert FORRESTER and Godfrey A FAIRLIE
AT NARROW NECK CAMP IN 1915
Card sent to Mrs C McCracken of Te Puia Springs from Albert FORRESTER
The boys had to turn up the hem of their pants on ill fitting uniforms

In Memory of
Corporal GODFREY ALEXANDER FAIRLIE
16/982, New Zealand Maori (Pioneer) Battalion
who died age 20, on 05 April 1918

Son of Herbert and Bessie Fairlie, of Tokomaru Bay, New Zealand.

Remembered with honour
BERTRANCOURT MILITARY CEMETERY



Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE

begs to forward a

PHOTOGRAPH OF THE GRAVE

of the late

Name: FAIRLIE 16/982

Rank and initials: SERGT. G.A.

Regiment: N.Z. MAORI BATTALION.

Position of grave: BERTRANCOURT MILITARY
CEMETERY.

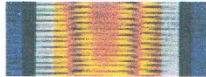
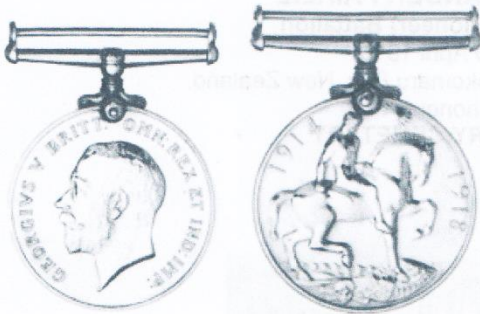
All communications respecting this photograph should quote
the soldier's regimental number, and be addressed—

"The Officer in Charge,
Base Records,
Wellington."

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is being carried on, it is regretted that in some cases only rough
photographs can be obtained.



GODFREY ALEXANDER FAIRLIE'S WAR MEDALS



Obverse (top left) and reverse (top right) of the medal. Ribbon: 32mm, orange watered centre with stripes of white and black on each side and borders of royal blue.

The **British War Medal** was a campaign medal of the British Empire, for service in World War I. The medal was approved in 1919, for issue to officers and men of British and Imperial forces who had rendered service between 5 August 1914 and 11 November 1918. Officers

Godfrey's British War is engraved with:
16/982 T/SJT G A FAIRLIE N.Z.E.F.



Obverse (left) and reverse (right) of the medal. Ribbon of medal

The **Victory Medal** (also called the **Allied Victory Medal**) is a campaign medal. The medal was issued to all those who received the 1914 Star or the 1914-15 Star, and to most of those who were awarded the British War Medal - it was never awarded singly.

Godfrey's Victory Medals is engraved with:
16/982 T/SJT G A FAIRLIE N.Z.E.F.



The **1914-15 Star** was a campaign medal of the British Empire, for service in World War I. The 1914-15 Star was approved in 1918, for issue to officers and men of British and Imperial forces who served in any theatre of the War between 5 August 1914 and 31 December 1915

Godfrey's 1914-1915 Star Medal is engraved with:
16/982 CPL G A FAIRLIE N.Z.E.F.



Godfrey's NZ Pioneers Battalion Badge

Letter sent to Mr H H FAIRLIE from LIEUT. JAMES PAUMEA FERRIS

In the Field
FRANCE
8 Apr 1918

Tena ra Koutou

I'm only a few hundred yards away from "Mick's" (Godfrey's) grave as I write this – You will have heard long ..? this of his death five days ago – the days have been too full of the rush of events to allow one to sit down and write – while my clothes are drying by the fire I would like to send you not only mine but the sympathy of all his comrades in your sorrow.

He was a baby when he left you but he was a man and a soldier when he fell – Every bit of him.

His comrades miss him in the Field and in the fun of camp life.

Please give his mother my best wishes and Aroha, we are moving off again now

Haere ra
J P Ferris

We brought Mick in the day after he was killed and the Rev. Pene Hakiwai blessed him with the others in the Military Grave at _____.

His pals made him a very nice grave – and Parekura Pewhairangi prepared his cross.

JP