

# George Algernon EGERTON Lt.Col.



Born: 1 December 1870

Died: 13 May 1915

*LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
XIX<sup>th</sup> HUSSARS*



**George Algernon EGERTON Lieut.-Col.**



19th (Queen Alexandra's Own Royal) Hussars

**Date of Death**

Died 13 May 1915

Age 44 years old

**Buried or commemorated at**  
**BAILLEUL COMMUNAL CEMETERY, NORD**

Plot 1. Row I. Grave 6.

**1870:** Born on 1 December.

Baptism: 6 January 1871 St Mark, Worsley.

**George Algernon Egerton** - [Child] of Algernon Fulke Egerton & Alice Louisa

Abode: Worsley Old Hall

Occupation: Member of Parliament

Baptised by: S. Vincent Beesley, Vicar

1871	January 6 <sup>th</sup>	George Algernon	Algernon Fulke	Alice Egerton	Worsley Old Hall	Member of Parliament	Vincent Beesley
No. 783			Alice Louisa				Vicar

**1871 census:** 3 Princes Terrace, St. Margaret, Westminster.

Algernon Fulke Egerton	Head	M	46	Member of Parliament	b. London
Alice Louisa	Wife	M	33		b. London
Margaret Louisa	Daur.		6		b. London
Blanche Susan	Daur.		5		b. London
Katharine Alice	Daur.		3		b. London
Sybil Mary	Daur.		2		b. London
<b>George Algernon</b>	Son		4 mo.		b. Worsley

+ 11 Domestic staff

**1881 census:** The Evelyn School, Colham Green, Hillingdon.

<b>George A. Egerton</b>	Pupil		10		b. Lancs., Worsley
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**1891 census:** Nannan, Llanfachreth, Merioneth.

The home of John and Ellinor Ann Vaughan, M, 61, Living on Their Own Means.

<b>George Algernon Egerton</b>	Visitor	S	19	Gent. Cadet R.M. College	b. Worsley
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**1891:** October.

He received a legacy of £8,000 on the death of his father, the Hon. Algernon Egerton, who died on 14 July.

*The Gazette* 9 October **1891**

*19th Hussars*, Gentleman Cadet **George Algernon Egerton**, from the Royal Military College, to be Second Lieutenant, on augmentation. Dated 10th October, **1891**.

**1891:** *The Army and Navy Gazette* on Saturday 10 October reported:

*19th Hussars —Gent. Cadet George Algernon Egerton to be 2nd Lieut., on augmentation; Gent. Cadet Robert Frederick Cox to be Lieut., in succession to Lieut. H. P. Lerita, promoted into Dragoon Guards; Gent. Cadet Carlisle Vincent Henderson, to be Lieut., in succession to Lieut. P. J. Zigomala, promoted.*

**1893:** Promoted to Lieutenant on 18 October.

**1900:** Promoted to Captain on 23 June.

**1902:** Received the brevet rank of Major in South Africa. [Brevet, form of military commission formerly used in the British army. Under the system, in which an officer was customarily promoted within his regiment or corps, a brevet conferred upon him a rank in the army at large higher than that held in his corps.]

**1905:** The Hon. Alice Louisa Egerton, widow of the Hon. Algernon Fulke Egerton, bequeathed £2,500 to **George Algernon Egerton**.

**1908:** Hart's Annual Army List

<b>George Algernon Egerton, Major.</b>	<i>10 Oct 91</i>	<i>2nd Lieutenant</i>
	<i>18 Oct 93</i>	<i>Lieutenant</i>
	<i>23 June 00</i>	<i>Captain</i>
	<i>22 Aug 02</i>	<i>Major</i>

**1909/1910:** Register of Electors for Norwich:

**Egerton, George Algernon**, living at Cavalry Barracks, Barrack Street. The description of the qualifying property was Officers' Quarters, No. 1, Cavalry Barracks, Barrack Street.

**1911** census: Aldershot Barracks.

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**George Algernon Egerton** Major 40 S 19<sup>th</sup> Hussars b. Lancs., Worsley

**1915:** *The Naval and Military Gazette* on Friday 28 May **1915** reported his death as follows:

*Major George Algernon Egerton, 19<sup>th</sup> Hussars, who died of wounds at Headquarters Clearing Hospital on the 13<sup>th</sup> inst., was the only son of the late Hon. Algernon Egerton, and was forty-four years of age. Born in 1871, he joined the Army in 1891, and was promoted major in 1903. During the South African War of 1899-1902 he saw considerable active service. For his part in the operations in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony in 1902, he was mentioned in despatches and received the brevet rank of major.*

As Commanding Officer, he was walking along the reserve trenches of Potijze Wood, Belgium at around 5.00 pm on 12 May **1915** when he was wounded. He died of his wounds the following day.



**George Algernon Egerton** served with the 19<sup>th</sup> Hussars in South Africa and took part in operations in Natal, including the action at Laing's Nek and the defence of Ladysmith; in the Transvaal including actions at Botha's Pass and Almond Creek; in the Orange River Colony May to 29 November **1900**; and in the Transvaal 30 November **1900** to 31 May **1902**.

His medals were sold for £660.00 in **1993** (description of medals below.) [£1,550 in 2020.]

QUEEN'S SOUTH AFRICA 1899-1902, 4 clasps, Defence of Ladysmith, Orange Free State, Laing's Nek, Belfast (Capt., 19<sup>th</sup> Hrs.); KING'S SOUTH AFRICA, 2 clasps (Maj.); 1914 MONS STAR (Major, 19 Hrs.); BRITISH WAR AND VICTORY MEDALS (Lt. Col.); CORONATION 1911, official corrections to the Q.S.A., contact marks to the first two, nearly very fine, otherwise good very fine.

#### Additional Information

Probate granted 5 November 1915 with effects of £17346 17s 3d. Pay & allowances of £115 8s 9d granted to joint executors, named as George Chichester May and Frederick Walter Stephenson. Sisters Mary Florence Egerton & Evelyn Harriet Egerton named on the Absent Voters' List for Tewin,



**EGERTON** George Algernon of The Cavalry Barracks Hounslow **Middlesex** lieutenant colonel H.M. Army died 13 May 1915 at Bailleul in France Probate **London** 20 October to George Chichester May esquire and Frederick Walter Stephenson esquire.  
Effects £17346 17s. 3d.

