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NUNCUPATIVE OR MISSING WILL.

W.O. No.: E/88330/1

DOMICILE. *Irish*

Record No. *64/168441*

Name *Patrick Farrell*

The document enclosed
herewith *has* been
regarded as evidence of a
{ **valid nuncupative** } Will
{ **missing** }

Regtl. No. and Rank *No 7951 Lefele*

Regt. *1st Bu Connaught Rangers*

made by the soldier named
in the margin while "in
actual Military Service,"
within the meaning of the
Wills' Act, 1837.

Died at *King George Hospital London*

Date of Death *21/4/15*

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**WAR OFFICE,
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Date *25. 8. 1916*

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Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

The Secretary,
War Office,
Park Buildings,
St. James's Park,
London, S.W.,

and the following number quoted.

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War Office,

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St. James's Park,

London, S.W.

3rd March, 1916.

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WAR OFFICE
-6 JUN 1916
(Received on section 24/6)

Sir,

I am directed to acquaint you that it has been intimated to this Department that No.7698, Private A. Byrne, of the Battalion under your Command, saw a Will executed by the late No.7951, Lance Corporal Patrick Farrell, 1st Battalion, Connaught Rangers, and to request that you will be good enough to ascertain from Private Byrne whether this information is correct and if so, to ask that he will furnish a statement showing:-

- (1) Precisely when and where he saw the Will.
- (2) The wording of the Will, and whether it was wholly in the late soldier's handwriting, or was on a printed Form.
- (3) Whether he was familiar with the late soldier's handwriting.
- (4) The date on which the Will was executed.
- (5) The full names and addresses or ranks, regimental numbers, and regiments of any other persons who saw the Will.
- (6) If the Will was contained in a Book, a brief description of the Book should be given.

Private Byrne's statement should be signed by him in your presence, and should be witnessed by you, and a certificate should be added shewing that in your opinion, full credit can be given to the statement made.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

H. Miles

The Officer Commanding,
1st Battalion,
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for the Assistant Financial Secretary

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Reference enclosed correspondence
herewith statements by Pte A. BYRNE No. 7698.

- ① Near MESSINES shortly after the regiment went to the firing line after arrival in France
- ② The will was made out to his brother JOSEPH FARRELL and was made out in the soldier's pay book, ARMY Book 64.
- ③ I was not familiar with the late FARRELLS handwriting.
- ④ Believed to be between August 27th 1914 and September 26th 1914.
- ⑤ I do not know of any other persons who saw the will.
- ⑥ Soldier's pay book, ARMY Book. 64.

7698

signed *P. A. Byrne*

*H. Connaught
Rangers*

In the presence of.

D. A. Green, Lieut

Adjutant Rangers.

In the field

27-4-16.

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In The Field
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*In my opinion full credit may
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by No 7698 Pte A BYRNE*

W. Hamilton Lt Col.
Comd^g The Connaught Rangers

27/4/16