

INFORMAL WILL.

W.O. No.: E/

DOMICILE *English*

Record No.

The enclosed document
dated *Aug 6th* 1914.

Name and signed

Regtl. No.)
and Rank)

appears to have been written
or executed by the person
named in the margin while
he was "in actual military
service" within the meaning
of the Wills Act, 1837, and
has been recognised by the
War Department as con-
stituting a valid will.

Regt.

Died at *of Wounds*

Date of Death *14/10/14*

WAR OFFICE.

for the Assistant Financial Secretary.

Date *27. 11. 15*

no address

Aug 6th 1914



Dearest Mother

just a few lines
to let you know how I am getting
on hoping this finds you well as
I am in the best. I dare say that
this will be the last letter you
will receive from me until the war
is over as I am prepared to move
to the front at any moment, and
I am only sorry that I did not
see you all before I went but then
mother dear do not lose heart I may
come back again, I have sent
all my belongings to you, a
portmanteau, with all my clothing
and there will be a bicycle too
but that later on as I sent it

away to be done up, and I have
told the man your address, so if
you don't receive it send to

It is a very nice machine and
worth a lot of money, and I
have paid for its repair, if there
is any thing extra to pay, pay
for it. So I have made my will
out, leaving everything I possess
and money the war office has
for you, or its simply slipping
here, with the noise of people
pushing to see their wives and
mother before they go away
it is very pitiful to see
great big men fainting in the

wanks, it make one lose heart when to see this
but there mother dear do not forget to remember
me to
give them all my best love, and I shall never
forget them for their kindness to me to my
dying day, I and mother dear do have courage
I will be alright, there are thousands of other
mothers & relations in the same circumstances
and if I do die I will die with a good heart
and all your love upon my lips. I now must
close as I have plenty to do and so short a
time with Best love from your ever loving son

XXXXXXXXXX
XXXXXXXXXX

P.S. now dont forget about the
portmanteau, and bicycle
they belong to you alone

the Portmanteau has J.W.D
on the side & I sent it
consigned forwarded as did not
know how much it would cost
but I dont think you would
let that stop in the way if
it wont cost a great deal.

give my best respects to
mrs.

& may
God protect you from all harm
your ever loving son

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