

Reginald Martin

1901 census – Melton, Avondale Road, Newport

Charles Martin	Head	36	County Horticultural Instructor	Fortmell Magna, Dorset
Harriett A Martin	Wife	37		Anderson, Dorset
Reginald Martin	Son	6		Ventnor, Isle of Wight
Elsie Martin	Daughter	11 months		East Cowes, Isle of Wight

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THE ISLAND AND THE WAR

THE WEEK'S CASUALTIES

DIED FROM GAS-POISONING.

Pte. R. Martin, M.M., London Regt. (Newport)

NEWPORT

Mr. C. Martin, county horticultural instructor, has received the sad news that his only son, Pte. Reginald Martin, M.M., London Regiment, aged 24, who was reported last week to be dangerously ill with gas poisoning in France, died shortly after the despatch of the telegram announcing his critical condition. Pte Martin was a pupil of the Secondary-school, from which he entered upon a promising Civil Service career. On the outbreak of war he voluntarily joined the Civil Service Rifles. He went with his battalion to Ireland in connection with the suppression of the rebellion there, and then proceeded for a considerable time to the Western front, and was thence transferred to Salonica. His regiment was last year moved to Palestine, and was in the victorious advance to Jerusalem, during which he won the Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry as a stretcher-bearer in tending wounded comrades under heavy fire. Last spring his regiment returned to France. He was home on leave last summer, when he was warmly congratulated on the coveted decoration he had so nobly won. The deepest sympathy is felt with Mr. and Mrs. Martin in their heavy bereavement.

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