

Donald Kerr Lt. B. Office - Messrs. W. & T. Pope.

Enlisted July 1915.

Passed N. C. O. School, Dec. 1915; obtained Sergeant's Certificate.
Contingent leaving Jan 11th 1916 - one private absent through illness. Volunteers called for. Kerr volunteered, and left as private at moment's notice.

In Egypt transferred to Army Medical Corps in March.
Reached France in June. 50th Battalion, stretcher-bearers under Major Jefferies D.S.O.

50th Battalion in action from Aug^t. 12th to Aug^t. 15th.

A lieutenant ^{of the Battalion} had been ordered to take a trench. His platoon were successful, but lieutenant was badly wounded in leg, and was left behind at 10 o'clock at night in No Man's Land. Kerr discovered that lieutenant had not returned. Set out to find him in face of deadly fire. Found Lieut., and carried ~~him~~ ^{him} into our trenches on his back.
[Officers - big, heavy man. Officers and Kerr - schoolmates at ^{Pulteney Street School}.
Probably for this and other deeds, as per Cuttings, awarded the Military Medal.]

Writing to Kerr early in Sept^r. Major Jefferies says: - "I do not know whether you are aware or not of the fact that you had been highly recommended for honours by practically every officer of the 50th Battalion who was at any time in the trenches between Aug 12th and 15th. They all spoke in most glowing terms of your conduct, and it was the opinion of all who saw your work that you deserved the highest honour that it was possible to give."
Latest news - Kerr in hospital at Aldershot - recovering.