SERGEANT RUTHERFORD

The flag at the C.F.C.A., in Timaru was flying at half-mast yesterday on account of the death, in action at the Dardanelles, of Sergeant W. Rutherford, son of Mr William Rutherford, of Timaru. The deceased sergeant was 33 years of age and was a very fine type of soldier. He went through the Boer war, and when the present war broke out he immediately volunteered for further service, notwithstanding that he had been many times wounded in South Africa. When he went up for his medical examination in Timaru prior to leaving with the Expeditionary Force, the examining doctor described him as "riddled with bullets." He as at a loss to know at first what could have caused so many marks about a man's body, until the sergeant explained that he had got them from the Boers. Sergeant Rutherford had many friends in Timaru who will keenly regret the loss of such a plucky comrade. He was in the employment of the C.F.C.A., here.

North Otago Times. 29 July 1915 (Papers Past) [11 August 2014]

Sergeant W. Rutherford.

Mr W. Rutherford, of Timaru, has received word from the Minister of Defence that Sergeant W. Rutherford had been killed in action at the Dardanelles. Sergeant W. Rutherford was the second son of Mr W. Rutherford. He was thirty-three years of age, and was a native of Timaru. He went through the South African campaign, and during its course was twice wounded, and was mentioned twice in dispatches. When the present war commenced he was in the employ of the Canterbury Farmers' Co-operative Association, Timaru, but left to join the mounted division of the First Expeditionary Force.

Sun. 29 July 1915 (Papers Past) [19 March 2015]

SERGEANT W. RUTHERFORD.

Sergeant W. Rutherford, of the Canterbury Battalion, who is reported to have died of wounds, was the second son of Mr William Rutherford, of Hobb Street, Timaru, and was 33 years old. He fought in the Boer War, in which he was wounded twice and was mentioned twice in dispatches. When the present war broke out he was employed by the Canterbury Farmers' Co-operative Association, Timaru. He went to the front with the Main Expeditionary Force.

A career reaching well back into the pioneering days of New Zealand ended last evening, when Mr William Rutherford died at the residence of his son, Mr C. W. Rutherford, Tararua Street. The late Mr Rutherford was born in Nelson just over 86 years ago and lived there for about thirty years. He then removed with his family to South Canterbury, where he engaged in sheep farming and later in stock dealing. After spending some forty years in Canterbury, Mr Rutherford came to the North Island, about fifteen years ago. His last years were spent in Masterton, where he lived with his son, Mr C. W. Rutherford. The late Mr Rutherford was predeceased by his wife about 27 years ago. His surviving relatives, to whom much sympathy will be extended in their bereavement, are three sons — Messrs C. W. Rutherford (Masterton), J. T. Rutherford (Hataitai) and D. G. Rutherford (Peel Forest, South Canterbury), and two daughters —Mesdames G. O'Dowd (Fairlie, Canterbury) and J. Greig (Westport). Deceased was an uncle of Lord Rutherford, the eminent scientist. The funeral is to leave the residence of C. W. Rutherford, Tararua Street, tomorrow at 2 p.m. for the Masterton Cemetery.

Wairarapa Daily Times. 7 March 1935 (Papers Past) [19/10/2023]

The funeral of the late Mr W. Rutherford, which took place in Masterton yesterday afternoon, was largely attended. Among the many wreaths that were in evidence were tributes from the Gear Meat Co., and the Telegraph Department, Wellington. The Rev. E. J. Rich was the officiating minister. The pall-bearers were Messrs W. Dalrymple, Junr., G. Rutherford, H. A. Evans, F. S. Stowell, S. Pragnell and P. Hawkesworth.

Press. 12 March 1935 (Papers Past) [22/10/2023]

MR WILLIAM RUTHERFORD

The death has occurred of a well-known pioneer resident of Peel Forest, Mr William Rutherford, who died at the residence of his son, Mr C. W. Rutherford, Masterton, last week. Mr Rutherford was born in Nelson in 1848. He was a keen cricketer, and played against one of the first English teams which came to New Zealand. At the age of 30 he removed to Canterbury, and for the next 40 years was engaged in sheep fanning and slock dealing, becoming very widely known throughout the province. He removed to the North Island some 15 years ago, and spent the last few years at Masterton. His surviving children are Messrs C. W. Rutherford (Masterton), J. T. Rutherford (Hataitai), and D. G. Rutherford (Peel Forest), and Mesdames G. O'Dowd (Fairlie) and A. J. Greigs (Greigs). Mr Rutherford was an uncle of Lord Rutherford, the eminent scientist.

Timaru Herald. 14 March 1935 (Papers Past) [18/10/2023]

OBITUARY MR W. RUTHERFORD

A career reaching well back into the pioneering days of New Zealand ended on March 4, when Mr William Rutherford died at the residence of his son, Mr C. W. Rutherford, Tararua Street, Masterton. Mr Rutherford was born in Nelson 87 years ago, and lived there for about

30 years. He then removed with his family to South Canterbury, where he engaged in sheep farming, and later in stock dealing. After spending 40 years in Canterbury, Mr Rutherford went to the North Island about 15 years ago. His last years were spent in Masterton. Mr Rutherford who was pre-deceased by his wife about 27 years ago, leaves three sons — Messrs C. W. Rutherford (Masterton), J. T. Rutherford (Hataitai) and D. G. Rutherford (Peel Forest), and two daughters — Mesdames G. O'Dowd (Fairlie) and J. Greig (Greigs). Mr Rutherford was an uncle of Lord Rutherford, the eminent scientist.