

Learning Resources for Teachers:

Learning Resource: **John Barnes**

Notes from the Court Martial Trial of No.4495 Private Barnes J. 7th Battalion Royal Sussex Rgt.

Defence 1st Witness

The Accused states on oath: -

On May 2nd I was in BROWN LINE Trenches east of ARRAS and during the day I had the order to be ready to proceed to the FRONT LINE trenches, preparatory to "Going over the top". As the bombardment was very severe I became nervous and left the trenches moving towards ARRAS where I slept the night. The next day I went on until I came to ABBEVILLE and here I asked my way to ARRAS of the Military Police. They directed me but I lost my way and was eventually arrested in BERNAY.

Character

Capt. G Nagle Royal Sussex Regiment sworn states: -

I produce certified line copy of AE B122 (attached)

Harold Peploe, Major

Clue 6 – Transcript from the trial of John Barnes 10.6.17. Note, the accused was John Barnes