

William Eustace WHITCOMBE (1848-1930)

Nelson Examiner and New Zealand Chronicle 29 Mar 1864

Shipping Intelligence – Arrived March 25, barque Memento, from London. Entered inwards – barque Memento, 464, Lyall, from London. Passengers – Messrs C. D. Whitcombe, W. E. Whitcombe, Rod, Dee and Porter.

Jenkins: Descendants of William Jenkins & Catherine Jane Mewis May 1842-May 1992 p166

Enrolled at New Plymouth as a private in the Otago Contingent of No.2 Taranaki Military Settlers 5 Apr 1864. Arrived at New Plymouth on the 'Airedale' 11 Apr 1865. Was stationed at New Plymouth on 30 Jun 1865.

Taranaki Herald 4 May 1867 Coroner's Inquest

On Saturday last an inquest was held at the Moturoa pa, touching the death of Riria Hineata, a native woman. The following were the names of the jurymen: Thomas Bayly (foreman), J. C. Honeyfield, Philip Vercoe, James Ward, Joe Ward, William Edgecombe, Peter Priske, Joseph Hobson, John Smith, W. E. Whitcombe, John Bishop and John Munro.

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Private William Eustace Whitcombe, NZ War Medal, Taranaki Military Settler 1873 H16A p3

The NZ Medal to Colonials by Richard Stowers p73 Taranaki Military Settlers

William Eustace Whitcombe; Private; Also No. 7th Div, Armed Constabulary (3 Nov 1868 to 18 Mar 1872); Armed Constabulary, Waihi, Taranaki; Waikoko 1 Feb 1866, Te Pokopoko (Waimana) 1867; Born 1847 St Lucia, Cotes du Monde; Teacher; Arrived aboard *Memento* April 1863. *Gazette* 1873; Issued 4 Nov 1873; 2500; AD32/998; Duplicate medal issued 9 Dec 1913.

Archives NZ Wellington Reference P 8/1 [Police] Armed Constabulary List

William Eustace Whitcombe had light hair, fair complexion, blue eyes and was 5' 6" tall and was sworn in on 18 March 1872.

Christchurch Public Library Church Record Index - Reference: Register COMc3 7, Neil McCallum

Marriage: 9th Oct 1875 3.45pm at Ketemarae, Groom: William E. Whitcombe, bachelor, clerk, 27yrs; Bride: Ellen Jenkins, spinster, 18yrs
Witness: Catherine Jane Jenkins, Ketemarae and William Jenkins, storekeeper, Ketemarae

New Zealand Police Gazette – Wellington, Wednesday, February 27, 1878 - page 27 Miscellaneous Information

Return of Discharges in the Armed Constabulary Force – Constable William Eustace Whitcombe, No. 120

Timaru Herald 9 Mar 1880

8 Mar 1880 at Timaru, wife of William Eustace Whitcombe, of a daughter.

1881 Timaru Electoral Roll

Wm. Eustace Whitcombe, Commission agent, Timaru

Wises Post Office Directories 1880-1886

William E. Whitcombe, agent, Great North rd, Timaru

Timaru Herald 23 Mar 1882 Deaths

On the 13th January, at Bath, England, Thomas Douglas Whitcombe, Captain Royal Artillery (Madras Retired List), Knight of the Military Order of the Saviour of Greece, and third son of the late Sir Samuel Whitcombe. North Island papers please copy.

Timaru Herald 25 Sep 1883

24 Sep 1883, wife of W. E. Whitcombe, of a daughter.

Timaru Herald 9 Apr 1886 Death

At Church street, Timaru, Ellen, the beloved wife of W. E. Whitcombe, aged 28 years.

Taranaki Herald 20 Apr 1886 and Hawera and Normanby Star 21 Apr 1886

Death: Whitcombe – On the 8th inst., Ellen, the beloved wife of William Eustace Whitcombe, who departed this life at Timaru, aged 28 years.

Timaru Cemetery Sexton's Register

Ellen Whitcombe, 28yrs, buried 11 Apr 1886. Minister: Arch Harper. Plot C97 purchased 1 Apr 1886 £2 2s by W. E. Whitcombe. Remarks: 98 – 14 May 1886 [plot 98?]

Timaru Cemetery – Headstone Inscription – 35th row

Ellen wife of William Eustace Whitcombe died at Timaru on Thursday 8th day of April 1886 in her 28yr

Wises Post Office Directory 1887-1888

Whitcombe & Tipping (William Eustace Whitcombe & Edmund Tipping), commission agents, Great North road, Timaru
William Eustice Whitcombe, Church st, Timaru – right hand side from Great North Road, corner Church and Le Cren Streets

Christchurch Public Library Church Record Index - Reference: Register HTA3 249

Marriage: 31 May 1887 at All Saints, New Brighton. Groom: William Eustace Whitcombe, widower, commission agent, 38yrs, born St Brienc, son of Thomas Douglas Whitcombe, Captain R.A., and Elizabeth Kirkcaldie; Present and usual residence: Timaru; Bride: Myra Haste, spinster, 20yrs, born Thorner, Yorkshire dau of James Haste, malster and Martha Wilkinson; Present and usual residence: New Brighton; Witnesses: C. H. Gilby and Edith Haste; Minister Rev. W. Radcliffe. 'I certify that the above is a true copy of the entry made at the time of the marriage on Form 12 in accordance with Section 36 of the Marriage Act, W. A. Pascoe'

Timaru Herald 10 Jun 1887

WHITCOMBE-HASTE: May 31, 1887 at All Saint's Church, New Brighton, Christchurch, by the Rev William Radcliffe, William Eustace Whitcombe, third son of the late Mr Thomas Douglas Whitcombe, K. S. G., Captain Royal Artillery (Madras Retired List), of Gloucester, to Myra Haste, younger daughter of the late Mr James Haste, of Thorner, Yorkshire, England.

Timaru Herald 3 Aug 1888 Birth

At Church Street, Timaru, on 2nd inst., the wife of W. E. Whitcombe, of a daughter.

Timaru Herald 9 Apr 1890

31 Mar 1890, at Wellington, wife of W. E. Whitcombe, of a daughter.

Wises Post Office Directory 1890-1891

Wm. Eustace Whitcombe, Wai-iti rd, Timaru

Wises Post Office Directory 1892-1897

William E. Whitcombe, com. agt., Hunter st, Wel

1893 Wellington Electoral Roll

William Eustace Whitcombe, Commission agent, Austin St, Wellington
Myra Whitcombe, married woman, 4 Austin St, Wellington

1896 Wellington Electoral Roll

William Eustace Whitcombe, Commission Agent, Austin Street
Myra Whitcombe, married woman, 4 Austin Street

1896 Otaki 2nd Supplementary Electoral Roll

William Eustace Whitcombe, Commission Agent, Plimmerton

Wises Post Office Directory 1898-1899
Wises Post Office Directory 1900

W. E. Whitcombe, agt., McLeod Bros Ltd, Harris St, Wel
Wm. E. Whitcombe, g agt, Farish St; p r, 53 Queen St, Wel

Evening Post 5 Feb 1900

A charge against William Eustace Whitcombe, of attempting to commit suicide by drinking a quantity of laudanum was called in the Magistrate's Court this morning, and the accused being still in the Hospital, the case was adjourned till to-morrow, when it is expected he will be able to attend Court. Defendant resides in Owen-street, and carries on business in Harris-street as a broker and produce agent. It is understood that a few months ago he suffered from a severe attack of influenza, and he has not been in good health since. On Saturday he was found in his office suffering from the effects of laudanum, and Dr Martin, after doing all that was possible, ordered the sufferer's removal to the Hospital where he has progressed satisfactorily.

Taranaki Herald 7 Feb 1900

William E. Whitcombe, who is alleged to have attempted to commit suicide by taking laudanum on Saturday last, was also brought before the Court. Inspector Pender said that this case had arisen from the same cause as the last – drink. Whitcombe was also remanded till Monday, the Bench saying, in reply to a request for bail, that accused would be better for further treatment.

Taranaki Herald 13 Feb 1900

Both Whitcombe and May, who were charged at Wellington with attempting suicide, have been discharged from custody.

Wises Post Office Directory 1901-1904
Wises Post Office Directory 1905
Wises Post Office Directory 1906-1907
Wises Post Office Directory 1908-1909
Wises Post Office Directory 1910

Wm. E. Whitcombe, clerk, Murray st., St Alb, Chch
Wm. Eustace Whitcombe, gen agt, 149a Cashel st, Chch; p r, 13 Murray st, St Alb
Wm. Eustace Whitcombe, gen agt, 149a Cashel st, Chch
Wm. Eustace Whitcombe, gen agt, 149a Cashel st, Chch; p r, 13 Murray st, St Albans
Wm. Eustace Whitcombe, agt, 13 Murray st, St Albans, Chch

1917 Alien Record p610

William E. Whitcombe, born France, aged 62yrs. In NZ for 50 years [arrived c1867]

Historic/Maori War Grave Archives NZ Wellington Reference 1A Series 76/16-18

Died 30 Jan 1930 aged 82yrs

Bromley Cemetery Christchurch Headstone Inscriptions – No. 12,000

Block 41 Row D. William Eustace Whitcombe, d 31 Jan 1930 a 81 And Myra Whitcombe d 13 May 1952.

Probate Christchurch Court 14 Feb 1930 - Archives NZ Christchurch Reference CAHX CH171 15329
William Eustace Whitcombe, Comm. Agent, Christchurch. Leaves all to wife Myra.

Bromley Cemetery, Christchurch - Headstone Transcript
William Eustace Whitcombe, d 31 Jan 1930 a 81. And Myra Whitcombe, d 13 May 1952.

Alexander Turnbull Library Biographies Index
W. E. Whitcombe. TL 3/1 9 Oct 1959.

Dominion 7 Aug 1957 Mr B. E. E. Whitcombe

Mr Bernard Edward Eustace Whitcombe, a retired bank manager, has died in New Plymouth. He was aged 81. He was born in Normanby, Taranaki, and educated in Timaru and at Wellington College. Mr Whitcombe joined the Bank of New South Wales in Wellington and served in various North Island and South Island branch offices. In 1936 he was appointed branch manager at New Plymouth. After his retirement in 1940, Mr Whitcombe was secretary of the Taranaki Club till 1955. He took a keen interest in rugby and was treasurer of the North Otago union and Rangitikei subunion. His wife died in 1947. Mr Whitcombe is survived by two daughters, Mrs R. W. Buchanan (Feilding) and Mrs J. E. Finch (Northcote, Auckland) and a son Mr J. Whitcombe, Christchurch.