

Percy John Dandridge

Born October 1893

Died 22nd November 1918 Age 25

Canadian Railway Troop Pte 1069538

Moose Jaw Cemetery, Canada

Percy John was the ninth of ten children born to Francis Charles and Mary Ann Dandridge. His grandfather Dennis Dandridge had come to East Hanney in the 1850's and bought the mill in the centre of East Hanney. As well as a miller he was also a farmer, and the 1861 census lists him as owning 320 acres and employing 14 men and three boys in his two enterprises. He and his family lived in the mill house.

Francis married Mary Ann Betteridge of East Hanney whose father John was a publican. Francis was listed as a farmer in the parish records for the baptisms of his children and once as a bailiff. Percy is first mentioned on the 1901 census as a child, when the family lived at The Malthouse. In 1911, the family are living at Day's farm (Philberds Manor), he is a 17 year old farm labourer.

The only other record for Percy is a possible emigration from Liverpool to Nova Scotia, which would account for him enlisting in the Canadian Railway Troop.