## MANSON FAMILY OF LAXFIRTH

Benjamin Manson, Seaman, R.N.R. Shetland section, Patrol duty. Laxfirth, North Nesting.

Married to Jane Smith Herculson Gray, father to:

Thomas J Manson, Private, 14th Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Laxfirth, North Nesting. Wounded in France, September 1918.

He had a brother that died as a baby and two sisters, one of which died as a baby.

## 14th (Service) Battalion, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders

Formed in early 1915. To Plymouth by June 1915. To Witley September 1915. To Blackdown February 1916. Landed in France June 1916. Reduced to a Cadre, April 1918. Returned to England June 1918. Reconstitued as a Battalion after absorbing the 17th Battalion June 1918. Landed in France July 1918. Ended the war at Évregnies, Belgium. Battle Honours: Cambrai 1917, Somme 1918, St Quentin Bapaume, Ypres 1918, Courtrai, France and Flanders 1914-1918.



These men are of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Pictured in the trenches of the Bois-Grenier sector. Note the jam-tin bombs and rifle grenades, brushwood revetting and 'funk hole' dug-out in the trench parapet. One man has an accordion. Imperial War Museum image Q48958.

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## THESE MEN WERE ALSO FROM LAXFIRTH

Thomas Georgeson, Chief Officer, Merchant Service. Ship mined, March 1917. Laxfirth, North Nesting.

John Hutchison, Seaman, R.N.R. (T.), H.M. Minesweeper *Hene Castle*. Laxfirth, North Nesting.