

Private Morgan David 910478 of Green Farm, Sigginston (opposite the Victoria Inn)

Transcript of a letter from him written 2.30 pm May 18th 1917 from Folkestone to his sister Mary David, who was a nurse in a Swansea hospital :

Dear Mary,

Just a few lines to let you know that I am sailing from here to France. We left (?) Oswestry last night. We had to wait at London for about two hours. We had about three miles march from Paddington to Charing Cross and have seen a little of London. We started from London and reached here at 6 am leaving here this evening about 4 pm to cross the pond. Well Mary we all know that we are better off at home but there is no chance of these opportunities in these days. Mother has received the paper to draw my allotment. She is having 6/8 from the government and 3/6 of mine making overall 10/2. So I am glad to say that she can now have some money independent of the boss. I hope you receive the brooch safely. I thought that you would like the them. I will drop you a line the first chance I get. I will now close my letter with love from your brother.

Morgan David, born 1897, was the son of Richard Samuel David, farmer in Sigginston. In 1911, the family was living at Hillside, Llanblethian, and when Morgan David enlisted for military duty in March 1917, he was living at Danygraig, the house standing alone below Mount Ida. He was a cousin of Herbert James, their mothers being sisters. He returned home safely from World War 1, but was killed with his brother in law, in the early 1970s, in a car accident on the A48 at Crack Hill, returning from Bridgend.

(Information from Billy James and sisters – Morgan David was their father's cousin).

Typed by B Alden