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Contextualizing the Archives at the TNA



The National Archives

## Contextualising the archive

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# An example...



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### You are currently viewing

JA - Records created or inherited by the Department of Health (1988-)

JA 418 - Department of Health: Infectious Diseases and Blood Policy: Files Submitted in Evidence to the Penrose Inquiry

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JA 418/CCV/Z/2 2.pdf HIV Haemophilia documents	1985 Jul 31
Details	
JA 418/6W/Z/2 Screening for AIDS (redacted) Original unredacted version at JA 418/6W/Z	1987 Apr 25
Details	
JA 418/2C/Z 6.pdf	1988 Nov 24
Details	
JA 418/2F/Z 7.pdf	1989 Apr 12
Details	
JA 418/2H/Z 8.pdf	1989 July 17

# Connecting entities

## Lane, Gerald Nassau Stewart

Reference:	ADM 273/18/97
Description:	Page 97: Gerald Nassau Stewart Lane.
Date:	1906-1918
Held by:	The National Archives, Kew
Legal status:	Public Record(s)
Language:	English
Closure status:	Open Document, Open Description
Access conditions:	Closed For 75 years

(Name in full) Lane, Gerald Nassau Stewart

Index No 41039

Date of Birth.	<u>29<sup>th</sup> August. 1899.</u>	Whether Married.	
Date of Entry into Air Service.	<u>2.9.17</u>	Next of Kin and Address.	<u>Father, S.T.H Lane, Rongeli, Dibruget, Upper Assam, India.</u>
Previous Service in H.M. Forces.	<u>Charterhouse O.T.C.</u>		<u>N/2 April 1903</u>
Previous Occupation if entered from Civil Life.	<u>Student.</u>	By whom Recommended.	<u>Col. G.A. Watson, R.A.M.C. Woodstock</u>
Number of R.A.C. Certificate, and Date, and where obtained.			<u>Church Station Salop.</u>

## Other possible matches

The following records may contain information about the person described above. As the links are found by computer analysis, we cannot guarantee they are the same individual or that every record in which the person is listed will be found.

## Lane, Gerald Nasseau Stuart

Date of birth: 29 August 1899

AIR 76/286/20

● Air Officer's service record

Strong match

Christian Names (in full)	<u>Gerald</u>	<u>Nasseau</u>	<u>Stuart</u>	Surname	<u>Lane</u>
Date of Birth	<u>29<sup>th</sup> August 1899</u>	Permanent Home Address	<u>Rafletti House, Church Station, Salop.</u>	Present Service	
Name of Person to be Informed of Casualties	Name <u>Mrs. Higginson</u>	Address	<u>Rafletti House, Church Station, Salop.</u>	Relationship	<u>Aunt</u>
Date Sheet Started <u>25<sup>th</sup> April 1918</u>		Registered Papers No. <u>189 41039</u>			
MOVEMENTS					
Outgoing Authority	Unit from which	Unit to which	Date of Effect	Special Remarks re Duties	Incoming Authority Confirming
<u>C.1230.</u>		<u>20 TTS</u>	<u>6.10.17</u>		
<u>24/10/19</u>		<u>S.T.S.</u>	<u>15.7.18.</u>		
<u>59<sup>th</sup> Wing/0</u>		<u>R.D.</u>	<u>23-10-18.</u>		
MOVEMENTS (continued)					
Outgoing Authority	Unit from which	Unit to which	Date of Effect	Special Remarks re Duties	Incoming Authority Confirming
		<u>Address</u>	<u>'Inatchfields',</u>		<u>690735/ab</u>
			<u>Church Station,</u>		<u>18/5/26.</u>

## Lano, G N S

AIR 76/288/41

● Air Officer's service record

Weak match

Christian Names (in full)	<u>G</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>S</u>	Surname	<u>Lano</u>
Date of Birth		Permanent Home Address		Present Service	
Name of Person to be Informed of Casualties	Name	Address		Engagement	
Date Sheet Started <u>31. 10. 18</u>		Registered Papers No.			
MOVEMENTS					
Outgoing Authority	Unit from which	Unit to which	Date of Effect	Special Remarks re Duties	Incoming Authority Confirming
<u>24/10/18</u>		<u>54 Wing</u>	<u>R.D.</u>		
<u>12.7.18/10</u>			<u>23-10-18.</u>		
MOVEMENTS (continued)					
Outgoing Authority	Unit from which	Unit to which	Date of Effect	Special Remarks re Duties	Incoming Authority Confirming

# How can we contextualise and enrich the record?

## ENRICH DESCRIPTIONS

- Extract: dates, title & first para, keywords. Chapter by events & changes.
- Rich snippets and generous interfaces

## COLLECT MORE METADATA

- Multiple dates: created, modified, probabilistic
- Widen capture – technical, harvesting, creators' knowledge

## CLUSTER BY TOPIC

- Cross-link similar subjects across collections
- Classify / tag / categorise records for filtering
- Graph UI representations for graph data

## JOIN SIMILAR RECORDS

- Join up duplicates from different sources, join multiple versions e.g. in web archive & catalogue
- Confidence and uncertainty

## STRUCTURE & PROVENANCE

- 7 pillars of metadata
- More granular creator info e.g. depts. within OGD
- Personalised context?

## LINK COLLECTIONS

- Internal & external
- Retrieve relevant results from across collections
- 'Trusted' external links: BBC, Hansard, Web archives ... TNA wiki

**Who will do this work?**