

ST TUDY PARISH COUNCIL

We set out below a copy of a letter in the Parish Council Minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> October 1921 explaining the source of the seed which grew into the Horse Chestnut Tree at the centre of the village.

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Copy of a letter relating to the War Memorial Chestnut Tree, planted near the War Memorial Cross in this village.

65 George Street  
Portman Sq. W I

Dear Mr. Eardley

The chestnut tree was grown from a seed which my husband gathered in the midst of a violent attack on the Ypres Salient -

He brought home six seeds and they all lived and are now trees -

The seed was planted in 1915 (Dec)

The name in full is -

Capt. H. J. Cannon D. S. O.

R. F. A. 49<sup>th</sup> B. 17 Division

I am very glad that the tree will have the honour of being placed near A. War Memorial - So that it may speak of Life after death - and remind all of Resurrection and Reunion - And serve as a reminder that we must carry on the work for which millions gave their lives.

With all good wishes

Yours always sincerely

Julia Cannon

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 1921