

Roll: **19120902-0609**

Camera: **Monochrome Print: MPS**

**Subject:**

Elsie at Trent Lock.

**Notes:**

I am puzzled that Fred was in Nottingham in 1912. Everything else I've seen suggested that he would have still been living in Hackney and that he only comes to Nottingham when he gets posted here after joining up. I suppose it is possible that he already knew Elsie, perhaps through the Methodist Church. If so, it does suggest that he was very canny in joining up, getting a non-combatant role and getting posted to Nottingham.

Following the wettest August on record (see the [donkey ride at Brid](#) ), September also turned out to be the coldest on record.

It must also be possible that the photographer was a different Fred, (Kate's first born was also called Fred and he would be thirteen in 1912) but somehow that doesn't ring true, the picture and the message seem more intimate than that but I suppose Elsie could have had a previous friend called Fred, we need I think another example of Fred's handwriting.

Trent Lock is at the confluence of the Trent, the Soar, Trent & Mersey Canal, the Erewash Canal and the Cranfleet Cut. The Sawley Cut is close by. I thought I had cycled to Trent Lock many times when Joseph was a boy but studying the maps again now I think we only made it as far as the marina and weir opposite Clifton Wood.

**People:**

Elsie Hannett.

**Dates:**

The date is written on the back of the photograph.

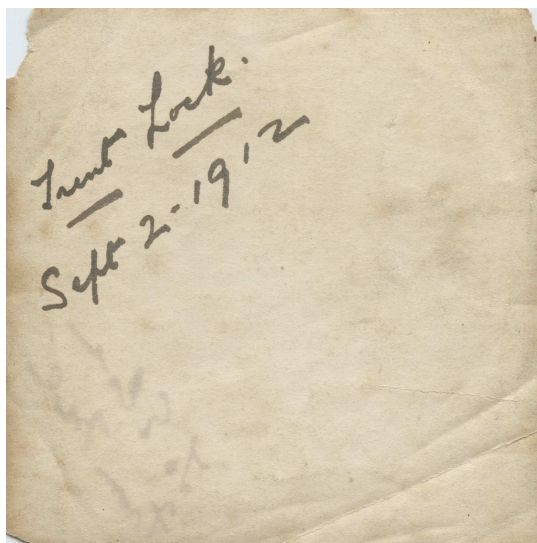
**Frames:**

MPS-0004 19120902 15:00:00 A seat by the river.

TXT-0004 19120902 15:00:00 Aide memoir.



MPS-0004 - A chair at Trent Lock.



TXT-0004 - Back of the photograph.