

New Edith Cavell 'trench lighter' – discovered October 6th 2025

A new version of an Edith Cavell 'trench lighter' came to light very recently. It is pictured here (LINK) and is the first we have discovered with its wick still intact. It bears no date and seems to have been a British rather than a French, Belgian or US version. The image of Edith is crude and the reverse is difficult to decipher. It is poignant that this object was in the pocket(s) of soldiers, probably posted to the trenches, where her memory endured. See item at the bottom of this section *Recent Material on Edith Cavell*.

