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The Unknown Soldier

In the following test I’m going to make a summary about any documents regarding the history of the Unknown Soldier in Great Britain.

The idea of the Unknown Soldier was born in 1916, when the Reverend David Railton saw the words “An Unknown British Soldier” in a grave in France. In 1920 he proposed to create a symbolic funeral and burial, and the Dean of Westminster, the Prime Minister and the King George V approved it. The body of the Unknown Soldier was chosen from four battle areas and the four bodies were transported to St. Pol in Northern France, and they were covered with a Union Jack. The Brigadier General L.J. Wyatt chose the body at random, he placed his hand on one of the graves, the grave of the Unknown Soldier.

Secondly, I’m going to explain the message of the Unknown Soldier’s remembrance. The Unknown Soldier represents all soldiers dead durin the First World War, and indeed he had been chosen at random and he has to be unidntify, because the ritual of the Unknown Soldier has the function to condemn the war and to allowof expressing pain people has been involved in the war.

In the documents I’ve analysed, the language used allows to understand and to get an idea about the history of the Unknown Soldier to all reader because it had been used a ordinary register.