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A group of fresh recruits, probably at Liverpool Camp in January 1915. Only one soldier has a uniform – the rest are in civilian clothes as though they have just arrived in camp. Fresh enlistments were called 'Marmalades' from their fondness for army-issue marmalade jam. The men are pictured with mugs of tea and slices of bread covered with IXL jam. The soldier standing fifth from the left is Francis Ryan Darmody, who enlisted on 11<sup>th</sup> January – possibly the day the photo was taken. Francis Darmody is profiled in this issue. [Photo courtesy of member Steven Darmody]

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