

We shall remember them

**The stories of the men
on the WW1 memorials**

Glasbury-on-Wye

Village Green memorial

The Church of All Saints

Maespronen Chapel

Treble Hill Chapel

The Church of SS Peter & Cynidr

Boughrood

The Church of St Cynog

Llowes

The Church of St Meilig

To the

Glory of God

and

**IN HONORED MEMORY OF
THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES
FOR KING AND COUNTRY
IN THE GREAT WAR 1914-1919**

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Memorial - Maesyronen Chapel

*Memorial to Walter deWinton –
Church of All Saints:
artist: Christopher Whall
(William Morris School)*

BRECON COUNTY TIMES: 18th June 1914

HEIR OF MAESLLWCH. Coming-of-Age Festivities. Presentations from Tenants and Workpeople. The coming-of-age of Mr Walter deWinton, son of Capt. and Mrs Walter deWinton, of Maesllwch Castle, Glasbury, was celebrated with great rejoicings and notable presentations on Wednesday, the 10th inst., which made the occasion memorable in the history of an old family and old estate already full of remarkable and honourable incidents. Maesllwch Castle is itself one of the landmarks of Wales. A magnificent pile of buildings, it is most picturesquely situated on the southern slope of a hill commanding a beautiful view of the Wye Valley from the Radnorshire side, and to travellers on the Midland Railway between Brecon and Hereford who see it for the first time as a never-failing source of surprise and delight. Surrounded by extensive and beautiful park lands, it was once proposed as a residence for the late King Edward when, in his early manhood, a suitable country home for the Prince of Wales was being sought. The Maesllwch property has been the seat of the deWintons for centuries, and the present holder, Capt. Walter deWinton, is well known and much respected in both Radnorshire and Breconshire. He has made himself most popular as a landlord, and it was no surprise to the local public to learn that the tenants and workpeople on the estate intended to show their appreciation of the kindness they had always received from their landlord and employer by making presentations to his heir on his coming of age. The 'Squire of Maesllwch, on his part, was equally determined that his tenants and employees and friends and neighbours should be entertained on a scale fitting such an auspicious occasion, and the result was a very successful gathering, affording an eloquent answer to the nonsense served, up by prejudiced politicians for consumption in urban centres as to the alleged evils of our present land system. The heir of Maesllwch was born on February 21st, 1893, and was educated at Eton, where he stayed about five years. Then, following in his father's footsteps, he turned his thoughts to the Army, and entered Sandhurst College. After undergoing the usual period of training as a cadet, he was gazetted in 1913 as a second lieutenant in the Coldstream Guards, to which regiment he is now attached. Captain and Mrs deWinton invited all the tenants, numbering about 124, with their families, the employees of the estate and other friends, to Maesllwch, on the 10th inst., and it is estimated that in all some 600 people attended. The day opened dull, and during the morning rain fell in torrents at frequent intervals. Shortly after eleven o'clock, a severe thunderstorm passed over the district, and there was then a dismal outlook for open-air festivities. In the afternoon, however, the clouds dispersed, and with the exception of an occasional stray shower the remainder of the day was pleasantly fine. The tenants began to assemble at one o'clock, and were all received on the lawn - where two large marquees had been erected - by Captain and Mrs deWinton and the young 'Squire. Amongst the invited guests were Mr and Mrs S Mavrojani, Clyro Court; Mr and Mrs Mortimer Baylis, Captain and Mrs Synge, Mr and Mrs Aubrey Thomas, Mrs Kidston, Mr and Mrs A H Christy, Llangoed Castle, Rev. Preb. Thomas Williams, the Hon. Mr and Mrs F Morgan, Boughrood, Rev. and Mrs H Griffiths and the Misses Griffiths,

Glasbury Rev. and Mrs W J Jones Rev. and Mrs J H Lloyd, Aberedw, Rev. and Mrs D Morgan, Llanstephan, Rev. and Misses Jackson Taylor, Boughrood; Lord and Lady Glanusk, Captain and Mrs Harcourt Wood, Sir Powlett Millbank, Bart.; Mr and Mrs Alwyn Mason, Mr E M Mockoch Mrs Taylor Mrs Goodlake Colonel, Mrs, and Miss Bevan Mr and Mrs Helme, Rev. and Mrs J J deWinton, Dowager Lady Glanusk and the Misses Bailey, Colonel and Mrs Money, Mr, Mrs, and the Misses Butler, Colonel and Mrs Fielding, Mrs Crichton Rev. and Mrs W L Crichton Mr and Mrs Gwynne Holford Rev. W E T Morgan the Hon. Mr, Mrs, and Miss Anson Mr and Mrs Vaughan, Mr and Mrs Aston Talbot, Mr Sabin Smith, Mrs Bullard, Lady Alexander Paget, Rev., Mrs, and Miss Leigh Spencer, Mrs Napier Sturt and Miss Berce Dr. and Mrs F J Jayne Dr and Mrs Hicks, etc.

The proceedings opened with a luncheon, to which over 400 sat down. Captain deWinton presided, and on his right were Mrs deWinton and Mr Walter deWinton. After the loyal toast had been submitted from the chair and received with musical honours, the presentations were made.

EMPLOYEES' PRESENTATION. Mr Edwin Lewis, of the Boat Inn, Boughrood, presented Mr Walter deWinton with a gold watch and presentation book, upon which was inscribed the following "*To Walter deWinton. We, the following employees on the Maesllwch estate, offer you our most hearty congratulations on your attaining your majority. We request your acceptance of the accompanying gold watch as a token of our esteem and regard, and as a mark of our appreciation of the interest you have always shown towards us February 21st, 1914.*" Mr Lewis said the watch had been subscribed to by every employee on the estate, not only as a mark of respect for the heir, and considerate way in which the employees had always been treated. He knew something of what he was talking about, for he started to work on the estate in the time of his late grand- father, nearly forty years ago. They as employees would watch with the greatest interest the young 'Squire's career in the profession he had chosen, and they hoped that, in future years, if he were not commander-in-chief, he would be somewhere near it. He begged to be allowed, on behalf of the employees, to wish him a long life and a happy one, with plenty of the good things of the world and a few of the crosses. (Laughter and applause).

ODDFELLOWS' PRESENTATION. Mr W. Sheldon said the members of the Glasbury Lodge of Oddfellows offered their heartiest congratulations to Mr Walter deWinton on the attainment of his majority. They asked him to accept a small present- a silver cigarette box - as a slight token of the debt of gratitude they owed to his esteemed family. Many were the favours they had received, and especially did they appreciate the kindness and generosity of Captain deWinton in allowing them for many years the use of his most delightful, charming and ideal grounds for their annual sports. It might interest him to know that those gatherings had been the means of adding over £200 to their Widow and Orphans' fund. Theirs was but a small memento of that happy occasion, but they wished him to take it as a simple expression of their kindly feelings and good wishes both to himself and the family he represented.

It was the wish and the prayer of every member of the "*Foundation of Friendship Lodge*" that he might have a bright and happy future, and "*That Heaven may kindly send to thee Long life, health and prosperity, As pattern take (no need of higher) the footsteps of thy worthy sire.*" (Applause.)

TENANTS' PRESENTATION. Mr R. P. Bishop, J.P., Maesyronen, Glasbury, read the following address from the tenants:—"To Mr Walter deWinton. We, tenants and tradesmen of the Maesllwch estate, with a few friends, sincerely and heartily congratulate you upon attaining your majority. Many of us have had the pleasure of knowing you all your life, and have observed with satisfaction the interest you have evinced in your Radnorshire home, it thus affords us much gratification to offer the iron entrance gates to the park as a testimonial of our feeling, and we are pleased to think that they not only are an evidence of our loyal devotion to Captain and Mrs deWinton, but will also remain imperishable witnesses of the sentiments by which we are animated towards you. February 21st, 1914." Mr Bishop went on to say that he could assure Mr Walter deWinton that they as tenants heartily and sincerely congratulated him upon his coming of age. From what they knew and had seen of him they were sure that when, in the course of time, a closer connection might exist between them, they would have as good, kind and just landlord as they had found in his father. (Loud applause.) It would always be a source of interest and pleasure to watch his advancement in the noble profession he had entered, and they trusted that a distinguished career lay before him. (Applause.) It had been a source of great gratification to assist at that celebration of his birthday, and to subscribe towards the entrance gates as a mark of the feelings they held towards him. (Applause.) They offered their warmest thanks to Captain and Mrs deWinton, not only for entertaining them in so generous and hospitable a manner, but for affording them that opportunity of testifying their loyalty and respect to them as well as to their son. (Hear, hear.) Mr Bishop concluded by proposing the health of the young squire and wished him every health and happiness in the future. (Loud applause.)

THE HEIR'S REPLY. Mr Walter deWinton, in replying, thanked them all for the magnificent presents they had given him, and for their kind wishes and the speeches made by Messrs Lewis, Sheldon and Bishop. As far as the gates were concerned, they were a wonderful improvement to Maesllwch, and would always show the feelings of great friendship that existed between the tenants of the estate and his family. He was glad to think that the gates had been subscribed for by the tenantry, and he was sure that they would all admire them. He also thanked the employees for the gold watch they had presented him. It was exactly the thing he wanted. It was only a week ago that he had lost the only watch he had. (Loud laughter.)

NO ACTS OF PARLIAMENT WANTED AT MAESLLWCH. Mr D. Davies, C.C., Boatside, proposed the health of Captain deWinton, in the absence of Mr C. Powell, Boughrood. He assured them that their landlord was well known not only upon the estate of Maesllwch, but through the whole of the county of Radnor, and his ancestors before him

were also well known. He could remember his late father talking about Maesllwch house and the family over 50 years ago, and he was glad to think that they existed that day and would exist for a long time. (Loud applause.)

The tenants of that estate did not require any Acts of Parliament to make things better between them and their landlord or easier for them to farm. (Applause.) If they farmed well, and as long as they brought their landlord some sort of money, they knew they would never be sent off. (Loud applause.) He thought that was the sort of gentleman to be encouraged. (Cheers.) The toast was received with musical honours, and Mrs deWinton came in for a hearty cheer.

LIVING IN TROUBLOUS TIMES. In responding, Capt. deWinton said how glad he and Mrs deWinton were to see their guests there that day it gave him sincere pleasure, and he only regretted that they could not meet oftener and that circumstances did not admit of entertaining them as often as he would wish. He thanked them most sincerely for the beautiful presents they had given his son. At the present time he did not think anyone would deny that we are living in troublous times, and no man could tell what was going to happen. But of one thing he was certain, and that was that those gates would always remain as a memento of the good feelings that existed between all parties on the Maesllwch estate. (Loud applause). He thanked the employees most sincerely for their kindness in presenting his son with a gold watch their action accentuated the good feeling which existed on the estate generally. He also thanked the members of the Oddfellows for their presentation. In conclusion, Capt. deWinton expressed his delight at seeing Sir Powlett Milbank, the lord lieutenant of Radnorshire, present, and he asked the company to drink his health. Applause). The toast was received with much enthusiasm.

THE STRAIGHT COURSE THE BEST. Sir Powlett Millbank, in replying, referred to the time when he was Member of Parliament for the county, and the happy relations that existed between him and members of all parties. Sir Powlett, in his characteristic manner, advised the young 'Squire when going through life to ride straight, run straight, and shoot straight. (Applause). He was glad to see that Mr Walter was following his father's footsteps in serving his King and country—(applause),—and he sincerely trusted that he would make a good son, a good man, and a good landlord. (Applause).

Subsequently various attractions were provided in a large marquee adjoining, and the mansion and gardens were thrown open to the guests.

THE CHILDREN'S TURN. In the evening tea was provided, and to this the school children were invited, and the children presented Mr Walter deWinton with a silver mounted fountain pen. The presentation was made by Master Bertie Thomas on behalf of his fellow pupils in the following well-chosen words:-

Dear Sir,

The scholars of Ffynongynydd School present their compliments and their congratulations to you on the attaining of your majority, and they beg of your acceptance of a silver mounted fountain pen from us and our late respected Master (Mr Amos) as a memento of this happy occasion and we wish you great happiness and a long and useful life.

(Applause). Mr Walter briefly thanked the scholars for their useful present, which he said he much appreciated. (Applause). The remainder of the evening was devoted to dancing.

During the day the band of the Royal Gloucester Hussars played selections of music. All the arrangements were capably carried out by Mr Alwyn Mason (the estate agent).



Village Green Memorial

Walter deWinton

Military record

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| Death Date: | 6 Sep 1914 |
| Rank: | Second Lieutenant |
| Regiment: | Coldstream Guards |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | France |
| Burial Place | Bouilly Cross Roads Military Cemetery Bouilly Departement de l'Aube Champagne-Ardenne, France Plot: I.G.1. |
| Other information | Son of Major Walter de Winton and Hylda Terese Jane de Winton, of Maesllwch Castle, Radnorshire. |



[Bouilly Cross Roads Military Cemetery](#)

The Cambrian Daily Reader: 18th September 1914

LIEUT WALTER DE WINTON KILLED News has been received at Glasbury, Radnorshire of the death at the front of Lieutenant Walter de Winton, heir to the Maesllwch Estate, Radnorshire, and son of Captain Walter de Winton, Maesllwch. The lieutenant was born on February 21st 1893 and was educated at Eton, and entered Sandhurst College. He was gazetted in 1913 as a second-leutenant in the Coldstream Guards, to which regiment he was attached. His coming-of-age festivities were celebrated last year at Maesllwch Castle, the home of the de Winton family for centuries on a very extensive scale.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 24th September 1914

GLASBURY. THE DEATH OF LIEUTENANT W de WINTON.

Quite a gloom was cast over our village when the sad news reached here on Wednesday last week of the sad death of our young squire. No details have reached us, but we know that he died a hero, fighting nobly for King and Country, worthy of his noble ancestors. Only having just reached his majority the tenants and others of the village were looking forward to many years of intercourse. He was greatly liked by all with whom he came in contact. Much sympathy is felt for Capt. and Mrs de Winton, who have given of their best.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 2nd November 1916

MEMORIAL WINDOW. A memorial window was unveiled at All Saints' Church on Sunday last by the Vicar (the Rev Hubert Griffith) in memory of Lieut Walter deWinton, eldest son of Major de Winton, Maesllwch Castle, of the Colstream Guards, who was killed in action at the battle of the Marne, Sept., 1914. There was a large and representative congregation.

H W DOUGLAS GRIFFITH

Military record

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| Death Date: | 1 March 1917, |
| Death Location: | NW Scottish waters, 1 mile west of the Old Man of Hoy, Orkney Island - mined. |
| Service: | Royal Navy- Serving with Grand Fleet flotillas |
| Rank: | Lieutenant |
| Ship: | Pheasant |
| Type of Casualty: | Ship sunk (mined) |
| Theatre of War: | North Sea |
| Memorial | Plymouth Plymouth Unitary Authority Devon England |



Plymouth Naval Memorial

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 30th July 1914

Lieut. H. W. D. Griffith (Royal Navy) has been appointed lieutenant-in-command of H.M. torpedo boat attached to the Nore Defence Flotilla at Sheerness.

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 8th Mar 1917

Amongst the names of those who lost their lives in the recent sinking of the Destroyer in the North Sea was that of H. W. D. Griffith, R.N. the son of the Rev. and Mrs Griffith, of All Saints.

Thursday, 1 March 1917

Pheasant, destroyer, mined and sunk off Orkneys (Barrage 39) - crew of 88, including

GRIFFITH, Hubert W D, Lieutenant: (U 80 (Alfred von Glasenapp)) Naval-History.net

Whatever effort the German submarine service had made in February and March, it was intensified in April, when every boat that could be got to sea went out to the attack. At least twenty-four separate cruises can be traced in the Mediterranean, amounting altogether to twice as many hours as in March. Whereas in Home Waters the number of steamers destroyed in April was practically the same as in March, (One hundred and fifteen in March, 119 in April.) in the Mediterranean it was increased threefold, and the tonnage sunk in that sea represented a quarter of the losses for the month throughout the whole world.

HISTORY OF THE GREAT WAR - NAVAL OPERATIONS, Volume 4, June 1916 to April 1917 (Part 2 of 2) - Henry Newbolt

ALFRED R. HOLDER

Military record

Birth Place: Glasbury
 Death Date: 31st May 1916
 Death Location: North Sea
 Rank: Ordinary Seaman
 Service: Royal Navy
 Number: J 43130
 Type of Casualty: Ship sunk
 Theatre of War: Battle of Jutland
 Burial/Memorial: Plymouth, Devon, England
 Plot: 13

Wednesday, 31 May 1916

BATTLE OF JUTLAND- Second Battle Cruiser Squadron.

Indefatigable

Sunk- crew over 1100, including

HOLDER, Alfred R, Ordinary Seaman, J 43130 (Dev)

Naval-History.net



Plymouth Naval Memorial

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 8th June 1916

THE GREAT SEA BATTLE. Overshadowing everything else this last weekend has been the great naval battle in the North Sea, the greatest sea fight so far recorded in history.

The Admiralty report says that until the Commander-in-Chief has had time to consult the officers engaged and to write a full dispatch any attempt to give a detailed history of the engagement would evidently be premature. The results, however, are quite plain. The proud traditions of the British Navy have been gloriously sustained. We still hold supremacy of the sea. "The Day," eagerly sought by our boastful enemies, still remains in the far dim future. The King's message to Admiral Jellicoe sums up the opinion and feeling of the nation. Through the running away of the enemy immediately after the opening of the general engagement we were robbed of the opportunity of a decisive victory. The events, however, amply justify confidence in the valour and efficiency of the fleets. The result, as it is, leaves the German High Seas Fleet with a very greatly less fighting value of what it was a week ago. Naval experts agree that proportionately our naval predominance, despite our heavy losses, has been greatly enhanced. Those losses were severe. It is always, alas, the price of victory. The ships we can replace, but the gallant men and fine officers who have given their lives that England might live are irreplaceable. But they have died as they would have wished to die nobly fighting for their country's cause, and the spirit of the Navy is as it was in the days of Nelson. Let us not forget the debt of sympathy we owe to the relatives of our brave lads who fell in this sanguinary fight. With a casualty list so heavy, we presume every County will have losses regretfully to record. We offer our sincere condolence to those who have lost those near and dear to them in Breconshire and Radnorshire. Included in these is the Lord Lieutenant of Breconshire. His younger son, Midshipman, the Hon. Bernard Michael Bailey gave his life with others who served on H.M.S. Defence. This is the second son Lord and Lady Glauusk have sacrificed to their Nation's cause. The blow is a heavy one, and their grief can only be assuaged by the thought of deaths so noble and the heartfelt sympathy which they have from the people of Breconshire. When the story of Sir David Beatty's tremendous fight against odds comes to be fully told it will make for all time one of the most glorious pages in Britain's history.



HMS Indefatigable

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 15th June 1916

CALLED UP. Among those recently called up was Mr W. Prosser (Blaenllyndeg). He is now at Pembroke Dock.

STAFFING THE SCHOOL. The managers at their meeting on Thursday evening appointed Miss May Harper, of this village, to supplement Mrs Lupton, and Miss Katie Jones in the management of the school.

FFYNNONGYNYDD SCHOOL. Mr H. K. Lupton, headmaster of this school, left on the 2nd inst. to join the colours. Having been sent to Knighton, thence Pontypool and Oswestry he has joined the second Monmouths.

HOLIDAYS. Whit Monday is generally observed as a school holiday. At Ffynnonngynydd Friday was also given, and at the Hampton Grammar School—the latter on account of its being half-term.

ON LEAVE. Tom Williams (Cwmdu) is home on leave from France, but is to return on the 14th inst. He was wounded at the Dardanelles, but now is quite well and says that in France there are more opportunities to sleep whilst away from the trenches than was the case in Gallipoli.

JUTLAND NAVAL BATTLE. We regret to record that young Fred Holder, son of Mr and Mrs W. Holder, The Brook, is reported amongst the casualties of the *Indefatigable*. A communication from the War Office was received by the sorrowing parents last Wednesday which, whilst not asserting the loss, held out no hope.

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 1917

The burial took place at Boughrood, on the 11th inst., of Leonard W. J. Holder, aged 3 years and 5 months youngest son of Mr and Mrs W. Holder, Ffynnonngynydd. The bearers were Messrs. John Jones (The Pool), Edward Pugh (Glasbury), D. Lloyd (Cwmbach) and Charles Edwards (Penwain). Mr J. W. Morgan, of the Post Office, was the undertaker. Great sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents. It is not a year since their eldest boy, Alfred Reginald Holder, ordinary seaman, on board the "*Indefatigable*," at the naval battle of Jutland was drowned with all, except two, on the ship. He was 20 years of age.

JAMES HOTCHKISS

1911 Census

Residence: Maesllwch Stables
 Status: Single
 Occupation: Domestic Groom

Military record

Date of Birth: Age 38
 Birth Place: Church Stretton, Salop
 Residence: Church Stretton
 Death Date: 26 Sep 1917
 Death Location: France and Flanders
 Enlistment Location: Glasbury-on-wye
 Rank: Private
 Regiment: (King's) Shropshire Light Infantry
 Number: 7th Battalion
 Type of Casualty: 13817
 Theatre of War: Killed in action
 Western European Theatre
 Burial Place: Bedford House Cemetery
 Ypres (Ieper), West Flanders (West-Vlaanderen), Belgium
 Other information: Son of Richard and Emma Hotchkiss of Church Stretton Salop



Bedford House Cemetery

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 31nd May 1917:

GLASBURY-ON-WYE. Pte. Ivor Morgan, Welsh Regiment (son of Mr and Mrs Morgan, Post Office, Glasbury), has just been home on furlough.

Empire Day was observed at Ffynnon-gynydd School by songs sung, an address by Mrs Baylis, and the salutation of the flag.

Ptes. J. Jones (formerly insurance agent) and J. Hotchkiss (both of the K.S.L.I.) are reported wounded, the former by a burst shell and the latter also gassed.

Sec.Lieut. V. Amos (Oxford and Bucks L.I., 6th Battalion) has been wounded in the back by a portion of shell. Pte. W. Jeff is also reported wounded.

On Whit-Sunday and Whit Sunday night there was a steady downpour of rain (especially in the night), registering 1.08 inch or 108 tons to the acre, in this valley. The temperature, however, was warm, being an average of 65 degrees

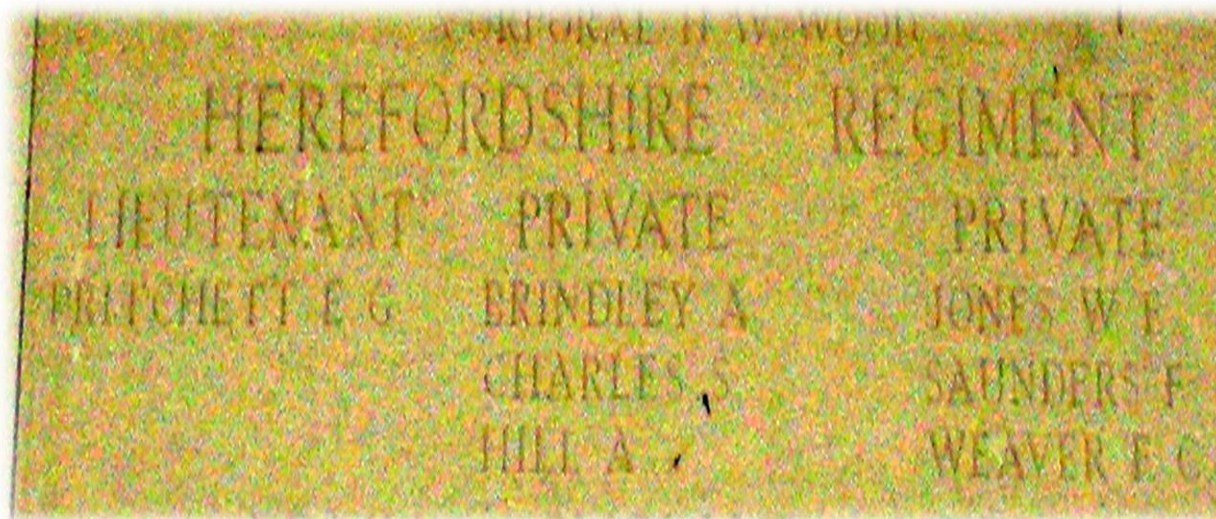
Pte. George Haynes (son of Mr Haynes, station-master, Glasbury) has had a thrilling experience. While on his way to Egypt, and as the transport was off the coast of Italy, it was torpedoed by a German sub- marine. Happily, he was rescued, and safely landed in France. He expects to resume his voyage to Egypt shortly.

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 2nd May 1918:

The death is announced of a well-known Glasbury resident, presumed to have been killed in action, viz., Pte. Jim Hotchkiss. K.S.L.I. He was believed to be missing and official news has now come through that he must be presumed killed in action on September 26th last. Pte. Hotchkiss was coachman at Maesllwch Castle for twelve years, and resided with Mrs Lewis, whose son, Sergt. Lewis, was recently awarded the D.C.M. Pte. Hotchkiss was unmarried. He enlisted on September 9th, 1914 and had been two years in France. This is the eighth hero of the village to make the supreme sacrifice, the others being Lieut. W. de Winton C.G., Pte. Machin, K.S.L.I., Seaman Holder, Pte. Williams, K.S.L.I., Lieut. Com. D. Griffith, Pte. Wackett, K.S.L.I., and Pte. Harper, C.R. *** No record found*

(William) EDWARD JONES**Military record**

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| Birth Place: | Glasbury, Radnor |
| Death Date: | 21 Mar 1918 |
| Death Location: | France and Flanders |
| Enlistment Location: | Hereford |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | The Herefordshire Regiment |
| | 7th Battalion (Kings Shropshire Light Infantry) |
| Number: | 236820 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Burial Place: | Burial Place: |
| | Departement du Pas-de-Calais, Nord-Pas-de-Calais, |
| | France |
| Other comments | Listed As Serving At The Time Of Death With The |
| | Above Battalion |
| Memorial | Arras Memorial |
| | Arras |
| | Departement du Pas-de-Calais |
| | Nord-Pas-de-Calais, France |
| | Plot: Bay 10. |



Arras Memorial

also see - Thomas Williams (below) for picture of the Memorial in Maesyronen Chapel

Brecon County Times, Neath Gazette and General Advertiser 9th May 1918

The rainfall for April was 2.43 inches.

Pte. E. Jones, K.S.L.I. (Ffynongynydd) was killed in action in the last offensive.

A concert was arranged by Mrs Powell, secretary of the O.F.S., St Peter's, on behalf of the men serving with the colours, out of the parish.

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 30th May 1918

Reginald Jones. R.A.F., is home for a few days from Farnborough, and looks fit and well.

A largely attended memorial service for the late Pte. Edward Jones, K.S.L.I., was conducted last Sunday afternoon at Maesyronen. He was killed in action on the 21st March, having been in France a twelvemonth to the day, and it was on the same date two years ago when he joined up. He was 22 years of age, and much beloved. Much sympathy is felt for the stricken parents and young brothers and sister who are highly respected.

The Food Production Society met at the Assembly Rooms last Friday evening. The chief matter under consideration was the necessary preparation for the forthcoming garden, allotment, and farm potato spraying and also some discussion took place with regard to the establishing of a local centre where surplus garden produce may be sold. It was ultimately resolved to wait for the county agent's reply to the secretary's last letter on this matter, and to find out the feelings of the members on this question at their next meeting.

A pretty wedding was solemnised at St. Peter's Church on the 21st inst., when Miss May Whitney, the youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Whitney, of Sylvia, was married to Mr Albert Overton, of West Bromwich. Rev. H. H Gibbon, assisted by the Rev. F. Whitehead, performed the marriage ceremony, and the service was fully choral. Mr W. Whitney (bride's brother) performed the duties of best man, and Miss Joan Whitney (niece) and Miss D. Morgan (Post Office) were the bridesmaids. The bride, who was attired in a fawn gabardine coat frock with hat to match, was given away by her father. The bridesmaids looked pretty in white embroidered voile over pink silk, with pink hat. After the wedding breakfast at the bride's home the happy couple left for Hereford. There was a large number of useful and valuable presents.

As Mrs Prosser, of Blaenllyndeg, was returning from the Hay market last Thursday afternoon, and was driven in a pony trap by her son, Mr Roger Prosser, on reaching the Ffynongynydd Common the pony became very restive, left the road, and despite the driver's effort, who was at the time walking and firmly grasping the reins, the trap was overturned and fell right over Mrs Prosser. Mrs David Haines, the Mandach happened to be reaching home in her trap just at that moment, saw what had happened, and called her husband and nephew, who were soon to the rescue. On releasing Mrs Prosser it was found that she had sustained a severe shock, with bruises, but no bones were broken. Mr Haines drove her home in his trap. Dr. Jayne was soon in attendance, and the patient is progressing very satisfactorily.

GEORGE E MACHIN

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 41 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1870 |
| Relation to Head: | Head |
| Gender: | Male |
| Birth Place: | Bourne, Lincolnshire, England |
| Civil Parish: | Glasbury |
| County/Island: | Breconshire |
| Country: | Wales |
| Street address: | The Shop Glasbury-On-Wye Hereford |
| Marital Status: | Married |
| Years Married: | 10 |
| Estimated Marriage Year: | 1901 |
| Occupation: | Grocer & Haulier |
| Spouse | Charlotte Elizabeth 44 |
| Children | George Edward 8 Charles John 5 Frederick Thomas 3 Richard Bertram 1 |

Military record

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| Death Date: | 14/07/1916 |
| Death Location: | France |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | King's Shropshire Light Infantry 7th Bn. |
| Number: | 7411, SR/7411 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Burial / memorial | THIEPVAL MEMORIAL Pier and Face 12 A and 12 D |

Thiepval Memorial



BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 16th March 1916

GLASBURY-ON-WYE. PERSONAL- Pte. Machin, K.S.L.I., has quite recovered from his attack of rheumatic fever and is now back “doing his bit” in France.

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 3rd August 1916

Glasbury Man Falls. It was confirmed by the War Office, on Sunday morning, that Mr George E. Machin, K.S.L.I., of this village, who leaves a widow and 4 children, fell fighting somewhere in France on 14th July. Mr Machin voluntarily joined the colours. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 3rd August 1916

GONE UP THE GULF-Lieut. S. R. Gibbon, who has been at home on short leave, has now gone out to Mesopotamia.

THE WAR-At St Peter's Church, oe Sunday last, eloquent sermons were preached by the Vicar, the Rev H H Gibbon, at morning and evening services, bearing on the war.

KILLED IN ACTION. Mrs Machin has received official news that her husband, Pte G E Machin, of the Shropshire Light Infantry, has been killed in action fighting bravely for his country. Much sympathy is felt for the wife and four children, who are left to mourn the loss of a kind husband and father.

MUSICAL SUCCESS. Miss Dorothy Lloyd, A.L.C.M., the younger daughter of the Rev D C Lloyd, Hampton Grammar School, is to be congratulated on successfully passing the examination of the London College of Music, and is now enrolled as an Associate of that College. The examination took place at Aberystwyth. The subjects were pianoforte playing, theory, scales and harmony.

FUNERAL.The mortal remains of Mr J Michael, the Firs, Westbrook— one of the old inhabitants of Glasbury-were laid to rest in St Peter's Churchyard on Wednesday, July 26th. Deceased had lived to the advanced age of 79, and was most active and energetic up to the last. The officiating clergyman was the Rev H H Gibbon. The Rev D C Lloyd was also present, Mr Michael being faithful member of the Congregational Church.The greater part of his life he had lived in British Columbia, and on retiring came to his native place, taking a small farm in the neighbourhood. He leaves a widow and sister to mourn his loss. A number of floral tributes were laid on the grave.

FREDERICK J WACKETT

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 14 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1897 |
| Relation to Head: | Son |
| Gender: | Male |
| Birth Place: | Chirk, Denbighshire, Wales |
| Street address: | Home Cottage Chirk Castle Chirk N Wales |
| Occupation: | At School |

Military record

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| Birth Place: | Chirk, Denbigh |
| Residence: | Glasbury, Nr. Hereford |
| Death Date: | 16 Sep 1916 |
| Death Location: | France and Flanders |
| Enlistment Location: | Hereford |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | Shropshire Light Infantry - 5th Battalion |
| Number: | 17920 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Burial Place: | Departement de la Somme, Picardie, France |
| | Plot: Pier and Face 12 A and 12 D. |



Thiepval Memorial

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 28th September 1916

KILLED IN ACTION. On Sunday morning Mr Wachett received the sad news from a sergeant of the regiment that his son Pte. Fred Wachett, King's Shropshire Light Infantry had been killed in action. The sergeant, for the consolation of the parents, supplied the following news:

"Your son's death was instantaneous while accompanying his boy officer he was sniped. Your loss will also be very much our loss, as he was very much liked and respected by all ranks in his company. He had always proved himself an out and out brave soldier." Much sympathy is felt for Mr and Mrs Wachett in their sad loss.

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 28th September 1916

Private Frederick J. Wackett, of the 5th Battalion. K.S.L.I. was killed in action at the battle of the Somme probably last week. The sad news, though not yet confirmed by the War Office, was conveyed to Mr and Mrs Wackett by a letter from Sergt. Beeston, at the front. The greatest sympathy of a wide circle of friends is extended to the bereaved parents, who are highly respected in the locality. The young soldier, who was 19 years old, joined the Army in France at the end of September, 1915, and had never been home on leave since. Pte. Wilfred Lewis, K.S.L.I., also was wounded in the arm in the Somme battle. He is at present in hospital at Oxford.

Thomas Williams

1911 Census

No record found

Military Record

Birth Place: Glasbury, Herefords
Death Date: 2 Oct 1916
Death Place: France and Flanders
Enlistment Place: Brecon
Rank: Private
Regiment: South Wales Borderers
Battalion: 2nd Battalion
Regimental Number: 18464
Type of Casualty: Killed in action
Theatre of War: Western European Theatre



Memorial in Maesyronen Chapel

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 2nd November 1916
 MEMORIAL SERVICE. A memorial service was held at Maesyronen Chapel on Sunday afternoon last for Pte Tom Williams, Cwmdy, Glasbury, who was killed in the big push on the Somme. A touching and sympathetic sermon was preached by the pastor, the Rev W Jones, and there was a large congregation, including the parents, sister and brothers of the Special hymns were sung, Mr Roger Prosser presiding at the organ.

BRECON and RADNOR EXPRESS, 9th November 1916

The memorial service at Maesyronen, in commemoration of the death of Pte. Tom Williams, S.W.B., whilst fighting for his king and country in France last month, was very largely attended. The old edifice was filled with a devout and attentive congregation, who assembled to pay their tribute of respect to the young soldier and his family, who were all members of the church at Maesyronen. The parents, Mr and Mrs Williams (Cwmdy), and the children, including Pte. George Williams, K.S.L.I. (brother of the deceased, on leave from Shrewsbury) and other near relations, formed the mourners. The service which was most impressive, was conducted by Rev. W. Jones (pastor), who spoke words of consolation and hope to the bereaved. The departed was only 24 years old, and, said the minister, *"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."*

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 4th September 1919

GLASBURY.

Dedication. The Bishop of Swansea, at a special service at All Saints' on Sunday afternoon, August 31st, at 3 p.m., dedicated a handsome brass mural tablet placed in the Church to the Glory of God and to honour the memory of those fallen in the great war from this parish. The tablet was the gift of Mrs deWinton, Maesllwch Castle, in memory of her son, Lieut, Walter deWinton, of the Cold- stream Guards, who fell in Sept., 1914, in France (on the Marne?) The service commenced with the singing of the hymn "*The Saints of God.*" The opening part of the service was read by the vicar, the Rev. H. Griffith, and was a shortened form of evensong. During the singing of the hymn "*How bright those glorious spirits shine*" clergy and choir marched to the tablet which bore the names of Lieut. Walter de Winton, Lieut. Douglas Griffith, R.N. Private George E. Machen, Private Fred Holder, Private Fred Wachett, Sergt. James Hotchkiss, Private E. Jones, Private Thos. Williams. A service of dedication followed and an address was given by the Bishop who also pronounced the blessing. The service closed with the hymn "For all the saints." Mrs Griffiths presided at the organ. There was a crowded congregation. The relatives of the fallen were present at the services.

Glasbury-on-Wye

Treble Hill Chapel The Church of SS Peter & Cynidr



Charlie Arrowsmith

Military record

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| Birth Place: | Three Cocks, Brecon |
| Residence: | Three Cocks, Brecon |
| Death Date: | 8 Oct 1918 |
| Death Location: | France & Flanders |
| Enlistment Location: | Bridgend |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | Welsh Regiment |
| Battalion: | 14th Battalion |
| Number: | 57054 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action Western European Theatre |
| Theatre of War: Comments: | Formerly 2384, Glam. Yeo |
| WW1 medal | Victory Medal J/1/104 |
| Cemetery | BOIS-DES-ANGLES BRITISH CEMETERY, CREVECOEUR-SUR-L'ESCAUT (1.B.20) |



BOIS-DES-ANGLES BRITISH CEMETERY

Brecon County Times, Neath Gazette and General Advertiser: 28th November 1918

The relatives and friends of Pte. Charlie Arrowsmith, of the S.W.B., who fell in action on October 27th attended the service at St. Peter's on Sunday evening, the 17th inst., when special prayers for the fallen, and the hymns *For all the Saints* and *Forever with the Lord* were sung. Mr. Whitehead made touching allusion to those who had given their lives for their country in his sermon.

Guy Henry Good Crosfield

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 13 |
| Estimated Birth Year: | abt 1898 |
| Birth Place: | Frodsham |
| Civil Parish: | Frodsham Lordship |
| County/Island: | Cheshire |
| Country: | England |
| Street address: | Netherton Frodsham |
| Occupation: | School |
| Registration district: | Runcorn |

Military record

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| Death Date: | 26 Jan 1918 |
| Rank: | Lieutenant |
| Regiment: | Rifle Brigade (The Prince Consort's Own) |
| Battalion | 5th Battalion attd 1st Batt |
| Type of Casualty | Killed in action |
| Burial Place: | Departement du Pas-de-Calais, Nord-Pas-de-Calais |
| Cemetery: | MONCHY BRITISH CEMETERY, MONCHY-LE-PREUX (11.B.21) (see cover) |
| Additional Information | Son of Mr and Mrs JJ Crosfield, Embley Park, Romsey, Hants |



Badge of the Rifle Brigade, Prince Consort's own

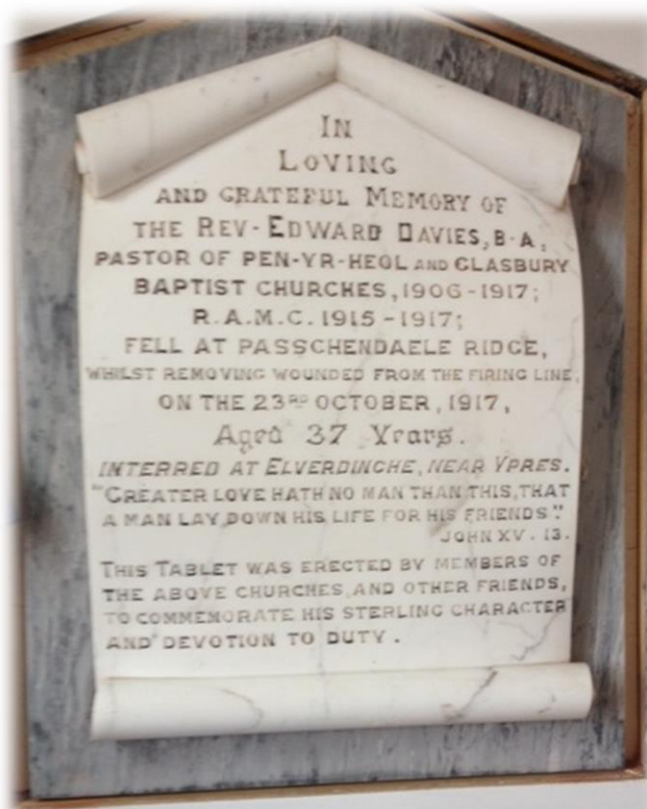
Brecon County Times, Neath Gazette and General Advertiser: 7th February 1918:

Guy Crosfield-the younger son of Mr and Mrs Crosfield, Gwernyfed Second Lieut, Rifle Brigade, Jan.18 killed in action, had returned to the Western Front (Nov) recovered from wounds.

Edward Davies (Rev)

Military record

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| Birth Place: | Llanbister, Radnor |
| Residence: | Glasbury |
| Death Date: | 23 Oct 1917 |
| Death Location: | France & Flanders |
| Enlistment Location: | Brecon |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | Royal Army Medical Corps |
| Number: | 78821 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Burial place | see, below: Brecon County Times 8th November 1917 |



*Memorial in Treble Hill Baptist Church
now the River Café Bunkhouse
-WITH THANKS TO THE RIVER CAFE*

Brecon & Radnor express Carmarthen and Swansea Valley gazette and Brynmawr district advertiser: 11th June 1914

DAVIES OF MAESYRHELEM. INTERESTING BIOGRAPHY (By the Rev. D. O. Griffiths)

Rev. David Davies, Maesyrhelem. *A biography by his son, Rev. Edward Davies, B.A., Glasbury*; together with an estimate and appreciation by the Rev. Rhys Davies, Griffithstown, Mon. Price £2.8 6d; post free 2s 9d. Published by the "Brecon and Radnor Express," Brecon.

To multitudes of people there are no books so interesting as biographies, the life-stories of eminent and remarkable men. It is not difficult to understand the reason for this. Everything genuinely human must ever appeal strongly to the general human heart. We like to see our own doubts, joys, ambitions, aspirations, victories reflected in the lives of others. The life of this truly remarkable man will be widely read and highly appreciated.

The Rev, David Davies was a well-known figure, in the religious life of Mid-Wales for more than a generation, and he was in great demand outside his own county. He could always draw a crowd, and in reading this book we discover the secret not only of his popularity, but of his power. That he was in many ways a remarkable man no one who ever heard him can doubt. It was inevitable, however, that many would misunderstand him. His absolute disregard of the conventionalities, his mannerisms, his humour, his appearance even would tell against him with many who were necessarily ignorant of the transparent simplicity and genuine worth of the man.

This book is to be welcomed because we are brought in its pages face to face with the real man, in his home-life, and in his own church at Maesyrhelem. We are taken by loving hands behind the scenes, and there we behold the man of God, simple, saintly and sincere. Dr. Parker was accused of being too dramatic in the pulpit, but as an intimate friend said: *Dr. Parker was dramatic by his own fireside.* It was an inherent and normal characteristic. So with Mr Davies. The humour which characterised his, public utterances was a part of the essential man. He was as humorous by his own fireside as he was in the pulpits. He never posed; he never employed artificial methods to produce an impression. He was just himself. He was what Emerson would call a nonconformist, just because he dared to be himself.

It will be admitted generally that this biography is not written on conventional lines, for the son has inherited something of his father's unique personality. To begin with the Dedication, who has ever seen anything quite like it? And who would expect to find in the preface some of the best stories in the whole book? We must take this biography as we find it, and from first to last we are carried along on the stream of narrative, and there is no flagging of interest until we reach the close.

The first chapter deals with his parentage and early days. We are given a vivid picture of Mr Davies mother, in many respects a remarkable woman. We are given a glimpse of Radnorshire life before the Gospel had found general acceptance. There is no mincing of matters in this first chapter.

The author has used no euphemisms in describing his father's unregenerate days. Here he is,

"warts and all."

The second chapter deals with the ministry at Mochdre and Maesyrhelem, and it is a story full of interest and of incident. But how came the author to find the English equivalent of Mochdre in Pigtown? Still, that is not a very serious mistake.

Chapter three is a long one of 70 pages written, and splendidly written, by the Rev. Rhys Davies, Griffithstown. It is entitled *"An estimate and an appreciation."* The writer has the gift of subtle analysis, and it is quite clear that he has studied his subject with rare insight. The estimate is so true because the appreciation is so deep. Love is not blind. Without it there can be no real insight. In this chapter Mr Rhys Davies has revealed his power, and we may reasonably expect great things from his pen. The fourth chapter deals with the home-life at Brook Cottage, and, perhaps this is the most striking portion of the whole book. Here we have a picture of the man as he appeared to his own children, and to them, and especially to the biographer, he was the hero. The word "hospitality" might well have been written over the door of Brook Cottage, for no tramp was ever turned away empty. Indeed, we are reminded of the good old bishop in *Les Miserables* as we read this chapter. We are not told whether the doors were ever locked at night, but we should imagine that they were not. Not only were tramps given something at the door, they were welcomed to the table. No details are withheld and it is these little details that make this story so human and so interesting. We are told that he (Mr Davies) had no notion of how to put on a necktie, and if he had no guardian angel beside him, he would have worn the same suit of clothes for ever. Nor is it without interest to find out that his favourite diet was of the indigestible kind, half-baked bread and dumpling. Of the latter we are told *"he partook almost with relish."*

The final chapter leads us to his inner life *"his holy living and dying,"* and it is necessary to say that it is full of feeling and pathos. Indeed, the biographer has done his work well. He reveals an intimate knowledge of English literature, and he has used his knowledge with effect. It would be an easy matter to point out errors, but they are surprisingly few in a book of 200 pages. The work is sure of a hearty welcome. It is a faithful record of a true life, the whole effect, of which cannot be measured. A word ought to be given to the publishers, the "Brecon and Radnor Express." The type is clear and distinct, and the work is well bound in a beautiful cloth cover. Orders should be sent direct to the biographer at Woodville, Glasbury

Brecon County Times 8th November 1917

Glasbury Minister Killed in Action. News has been received that the Rev Edward Davies, BA, pastor of the Glasbury and Penrheol Baptist Churches, Glasbury-on-Wye, was killed in France on October 23rd while gallantly removing wounded under fire. Two years ago he joined the R.A.M.C. as a volunteer, moved by a deep sense of duty. He might have kept out of the war, but he did not wish to shelter under the shadow of an exempted profession, while others were sacrificing themselves in the great struggle for liberty. Mr Davies was the son of the late Rev D Davies, Maesyrhelem, and was most popular with his people both as a preacher and as a man. He was also a great favourite with his brother ministers in the counties of Brecon and Radnor.

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Some few years ago he wrote and published a biography of his father, which showed that he had the literary gift in a marked degree, and there were all the signs of a brilliant future before him. He was a fine scholar, a true preacher, and a devoted friend. Lieut. C Scalfe, writing to Mrs Davies, says that while with the Ambulance he always worked well and was very popular with all his comrades. *The place where he fell was too dangerous to give him a military funeral, but his grave has been marked by a cross made by his comrades.* Mr Davies leaves a widow and two little children. He had been acting as a stretcher bearer for upwards of twelve months. From the information received by Mrs Davies, it appears that he was in the act of lifting a wounded soldier when he was struck on the side of the head by a shrapnel fragment, which killed him instantaneously. It is only five weeks since he was home for leave when he preached on Sunday to his own churches.

Brecon County Times: 15th November 1917

The Late Rev. E. Davies.—Writing with reference to the great loss suffered by the district through the death in action of the Rev E Davies, our Glasbury correspondent states:-

With the profoundest regret and deepest sympathy was the news received on Wednesday, October 31st, of the death of the esteemed pastor of the Baptist Church, the Rev Ed Davies, B.A., of Cardiff College, who was killed instantly by a German sniper while carrying in the wounded on the Western Front. When asked at the commencement of the war to do recruiting work, he said he felt he could not ask others and remain at home himself, so he volunteered and became a member of the R.A.M.C. While in the Army he was offered both clerical work and a chaplaincy but he felt he was more needed where he was; and needless to say he always did his duty faithfully. Mr Davies came to Glasbury from Llanbister eleven years ago and during his stay amongst us was held in the highest esteem by Churchpeople and Nonconformists alike. Possessed of the highest principles and integrity, no pastor has been more beloved by his congregation. He leaves a wife and two children to mourn his loss and the hearts of all beat in deepest sympathy with them. On Sunday evening the Vicar made touching allusion to the self-sacrificing spirit of Mr Davies in giving up his pastorate and going out to relieve the sick and wounded, and held a short service to his memory after Evensong, with suitable hymn was *O God, our help in ages past; Alleluia, the strife is o'er, and For ever with the Lord.*" Mr Stuart played very feelingly Chopin's *Funeral March* as a voluntary between the services.

Frederick James Davies

Military record

(probable match)

Age at death

31

Birth Place:

Residence:

Death Date:

13th April 1915

Death Location:

Died of wounds at sea

Enlistment Location:

Rank:

Private

Regiment:

14th Battalion Australian Infantry

Australian Imperial Force

Number:

936

Type of Casualty:

Wounds

Theatre of War:

Turkey

Memorial

Lone Pine Memorial

Lone Pine Memorial -Turkey



Brecon County Times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 6th April 1916:

A TRUE PATRIOT.

Fred Davies, son of the late Mr Davies, of Lloyneybach, having served his time in the Royal Navy, went out to Australia to seek his fortune. When war broke out, the love of his country constrained him to enlist in an Australian regiment and come to fight for the mother country. News has just reached his sister at Glasbury that he has lost his life in the cause, at Zeitoun (Zeitun) a town amidst almost inaccessible crags in the highlands of Aleppo, peopled by Armenian Christians, who have been continually oppressed by the Turks until by the intervention of the powers in 1895 they were able to secure favourable terms.



Australian Imperial Force recruitment poster

Wilfred St Martin Gibbon

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 21 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1890 |
| Relation to Head: | Son |
| Gender: | Male |
| Birth Place: | Glasbury, Brecknockshire, Wales |
| Civil Parish: | Pipton and Aberllynfi |
| Street address: | The Vicarage Glasbury |
| Marital Status: | Single |
| Occupation: | Bank Clerk |

Military record

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| Death Date: | 1918 |
| Death Location | India |
| Rank: | Lieutenant |
| Regiment: | 2nd Welsh |
| Theatre of War: | Salonica |

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 6th April 1916

We regret to announce that Lieut. S R Gibbon, R F.A., third son of the Vicar of Glasbury, has been rather severely wounded during the heavy artillery firing in France last week. The force of the missile which struck him broke his collar bone, but it is not yet known what other injuries he has sustained. ([brother of above](#))

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 2nd May 1918

On Friday the Rev. H.H Gibbon received a cablegram announcing the sad news of the death from enteric fever of his second son. Lieut. Wilfred St. Martin Gibbon in India. Lieut. Gibbon, when he left the United Counties Bank, joined the forces, took his commission, and went to Salonika. He had malaria three times. He leaves a widow and one little daughter. A short memorial service was conducted at St. Peter's Sunday morning by the Rev. F. Whitehead, and muffled bells pealed in the evening.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 2nd May 1918

We regret to record the death of Lieut. Wilfred St. Martin Gibbon, second son of the Vicar, from enteric fever. He died in hospital in India. Lieut. W. St. M. Gibbon, who was in the Midland Bank at Cardiff when war broke out, obtained a commission in the autumn of 1914, and after completing his training he was sent out to Salonika.

Quite recently he joined the Regular Army and was drafted out to India, where in a short time he contracted enteric, from which he died. While in Salonika he had malaria three or four times. A short memorial service was held at St. Peter's Church on Sunday morning at the close of the ordinary service, and Mr Gardner played the *Dead March Saul*. Muffled peals were rung for evening service. Much sympathy is felt for the Vicar and his wife.

Ernest Hudman

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 19 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1892 |
| Relation to Head: | Son |
| Gender: | Male |
| Birth Place: | Strensham, Worcestershire, England |
| Civil Parish: | Bridge Sollars Mansell Gamage Byford |
| County/Island: | Herefordshire |
| Country: | England |
| Street address: | Westmore, Shetton, Mansell Lacy, Mansell Gamage, Hereford |
| Marital Status: | Single |
| Occupation: | Game Keeper |
| Registration district: | Weobley |

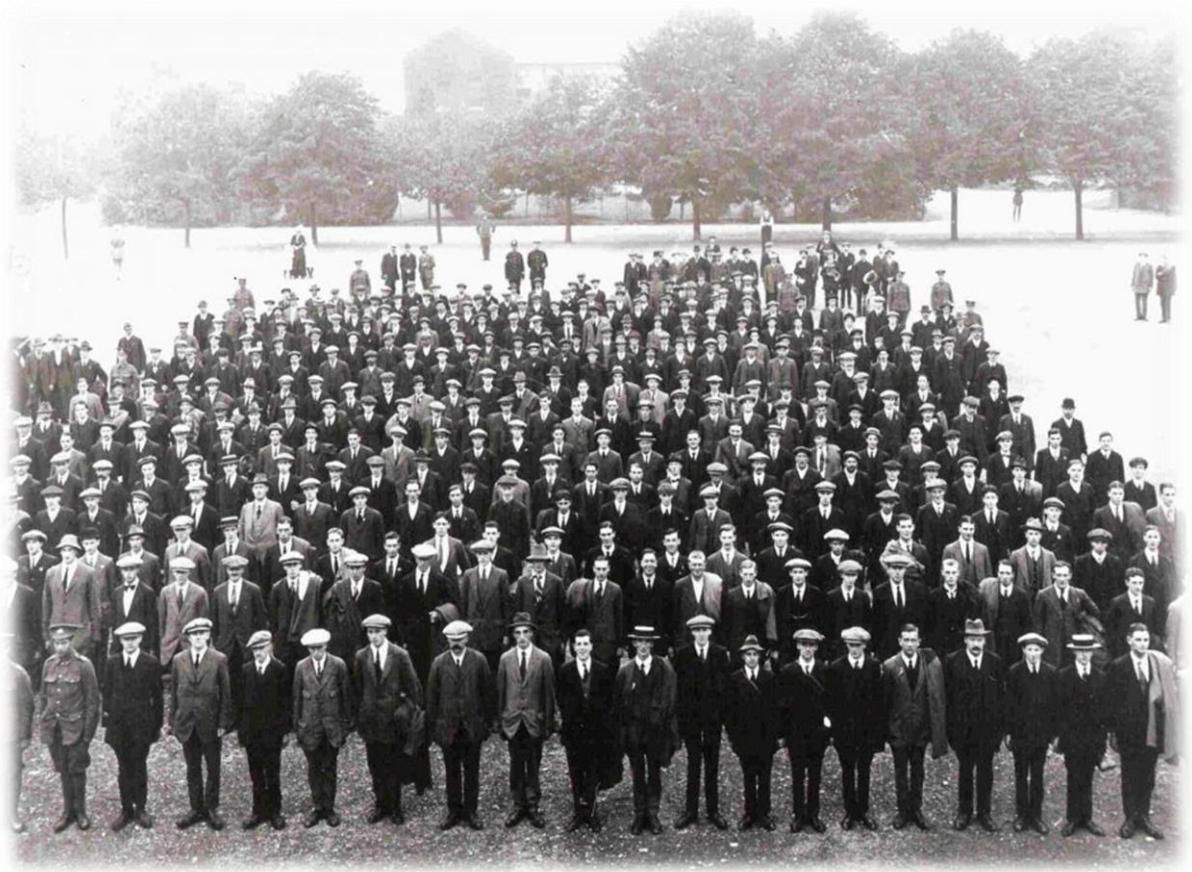
Military record

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| Death Date: | 8 Sep 1916 |
| Death Place: | France and Flanders |
| Enlistment Place: | Hereford |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | Kings' Shropshire Light Infantry |
| Battalion: | 1st Battalion |
| Regimental Number: | 17455 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Burial | Thiepval |
| (cemetery photo see: David Percy Whittall) | Departement de la Somme Picardie, France Plot: Pier and Face 12 A and 12 D . |

Brecon County Times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 19th October 1916

THREE COCKS. KILLED IN ACTION-

Pte. E. Hudman, who was killed in action on September 8th at the age of 25, joined the colours in February, 1915. He was the eldest son of Mr Charles Hudman, gamekeeper at Foxley, of Westmore, Mansel Lacy, and at the time he enlisted he was game keeper in the employ of the Hon. R. C. Devereux, Tregoyd. Last February he came back to England with trench feet after seeing severe fighting at Ypres, his battalion being commended for special bravery in holding trenches against a terrible bombardment. He returned to France in June, and was in the thick of the fighting.



KSLI: New recruits in 1914: on the parade ground at Copthorne Barracks, Shrewsbury.

William James

Eng. & Wales Birth Marriage and Death Index-(Marriage)

Name: William A James
 Spouse Surname: Lewis (Ruth)
 Date of Registration: Jul-Aug-Sep 1917
 Registration district: Hay

Military record

Birth Date: abt 1890
 Age at Enlistment: 25
 Marriage Date: 19 Sep 1917
 Marriage Place: Llowes Radnor
 Residence Place: Grove Side Gl?? Breonshi?? ** (Glasbury Breconshire)
 Regimental Number: 34108
 Regiment Name: South W??**Wales ?Borderers
 Rank: Pioneer
 Service No: 3410852
 Date of Death: 4/11/1918
 Theatre: France
 Age: 28
 Regiment/Service: Royal Engineers 34th Division Signal Coy
 Grave Reference: VII. B. 15
 Cemetery: TOURGEVILLE MILITARY CEMETERY
 Additional information: Spouse – Ruth



Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 27th September 1917

LLOWES, Wedding.-A very pretty wedding- was solemnized in the Parish Church on Wednesday. Sept. 20th. The contracting parties were Pte Willie James (formerly of Glasbury Station), now in the S.W. Borderers, and Miss Ruth Lewis, the youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Lewis, the Shop, Llowes. As Miss Lewis had been born in Llowes, and a member of the Church choir nearly all her life, great interest was taken in the event. The Church had been prettily decorated for the occasion by Mrs Thomas, the Vicarage, the altar with white flowers, and the chancel with red, white, and blue sweet peas. The bride was given away by her uncle, Mr Sheldon, and was neatly attired in a navy blue costume, with hat to match. The bridegroom was in khaki. The service was fully choral, Mr C G Portman, organist of Hardwicke Church, presiding at the organ. He played the "*Bridal March*" from Lohengrin as the bride entered the Church, and Mendelssohn's *Wedding March* on leaving. This hymn sung was "*O, perfect love.*" A number of friends were entertained at the bride's home. The honeymoon was curtailed owing to the short leave of the bridegroom. A number of useful and costly presents testified to the high esteem in which bride and bridegroom are held in the neighbourhood.

TOURGEVILLE MILITARY CEMETERY



Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 12th December 1918

Signaller W James RE Glasbury

We regret to record the death of Signaller Willie James, Royal Engineers, who succumbed to bronchial pneumonia in France. This is the sadder in that he had so far recovered from two operations as to be moved to a convalescent camp, and was expected shortly to be drafted to England. Before joining up he was in the employ of the Midland Railway Company, and for his diligence and respectful kindness to all with whom he came in contact he was held in much esteem. His health and his usefulness debarred him from joining up at the commencement of hostilities, but he was always envious of anyone in khaki and as soon as he was permitted to join up and had been in training, although only qualified for home

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defence, he begged to be sent to France. Before going to France 14 months ago he married Miss Ruth Lewis, of Llowes. Much sympathy is felt for the young widow and his mother. He had been constant worshipper in S. Peter's Church, Glasbury, where he was a choir boy, a regular communicant and bellringer. He was only 28 years old.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 19th December 1918

GLASBURY SOLDIER STARVED TO DEATH. Another German Atrocity.

Private Austin Hamer, South Wales Borderers, of Glasbury, died upon landing in England after being a prisoner in Germany since March last, another victim of German brutality. When he reached this country Mrs Hamer, his mother, was at once informed that he had arrived "nothing but bones," and in such a state of starvation that he would never be fit for anything again. Three days later a wire came to say he had died of starvation and exhaustion. Valuable parcels of food had been sent by deceased's parents, by the Red Cross Society, and by the firm he had worked for, but he had never received one of them.

A special service in honour of the memory of Pte. Hamer and of Signaller Wm. James (who died in France), was held at S. Peter's Church, Glasbury on the evening of the 8th inst. Both had been Sunday scholars, choristers, bell ringers, and communicants at S. Peter's, and muffled peals were rung. The Rev. F. Whitehead preached an excellent sermon showing how both young men in their own sphere had done what they could for their Church. The hymns *For all the Saints* and *Ten thousand times ten thousand* were sung, and after the sermon the Vicar read the Burial Service, and Mrs Ammonds sang very feelingly *Blessed are the departed*, from Spohr's *Last Judgment*. A funeral march was also played by Mr Gardner.

A memorial service for Pte. Austin Hamer (was also held at Llanigon Church on the evening of the 8th inst., Mrs Hamer, although a native of Velindre, having lived at Llanigon for some time. A touching sermon was preached by the Vicar (the Rev. W. E. T. Morgan, R.D.), who alluded to the cruelties deceased had suffered during the nine months he had been prisoner of war in Germany. Suitable hymns were sung. There was a good congregation.

A memorial service for Signaller W. James was held at Llowes Church, and the *Dead March* from *Saul* was played.

William Rhys-Jones

Military record

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| Birth Place: | Aberllyfni, Brecon |
| Death Date: | 20 Jun 1918 |
| Death Location: | France & Flanders |
| Enlistment Location: | Brecon |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | King's (Shropshire Light Infantry) |
| Battalion: | 7th Battalion |
| Number: | 38589 |
| Type of Casualty: | Died |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Comments: | Formerly 4/42442, T.R. Battn |
| Burial Place: | Fouquereuil Departement du Pas-de-Calais Nord-Pas-de-Calais, France Plot: II. J. 1. |



*Sandpits British Cemetery,
Fouquereuil*

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 18th July 1918

Memorial. A service was held in St. Peter's Church on Sunday evening, to the memory of Pte. William Jones, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Rhys Jones, Pontithel, who was killed in France on June 20th. There was a crowded congregation of relatives and friends, some of whom came long distances. A very able sermon was preached by the Rev F Whitehead, who showed how we all commence work for others to build upon. We are not here to work for our living but to make the world better and thus all Christians willingly give their sons to go out to crush the powers of evil militarism, despotism and barbarity, so that the world be purified and made better for the generations that come after. In speaking of Pte. William Jones, Mr Whitehead mentioned that it had been his privilege before he joined the army to serve in the belfry calling the people to worship God, Sunday after Sunday. Special hymns were sung 439, 210,

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538, 23I) and after the offertory hymn Mrs Ammonds sang most feelingly *Blessed are the departed* from Spohr's *Last Judgment*. Then, followed the committal prayers for the dead. Muffled peals were rung at both morning and evening prayer by twelve of deceased's fellow bellringers.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser 4th Jul 1918

YOUNG GLASBURY HERO.

The deepest sympathy for the family has been aroused in Glasbury by the reception of the news of the death of Pte. William Jones, of the King's Shropshire Light Infantry, who fell in action in France on June 20th. Private Wm. Jones was the eldest son of Mr and Mrs Rhys-Jones, Pontitithel, Three Cocks, and was only 18 years and 7 months old. He joined up when 18 years old in the South Wales Borderers and after a few months' training was transferred to the King's Shropshire Light Infantry, and sent out to France six weeks ago. Before joining up he had worked in the Gwernyfed gardens. At home, at school, and at work he had always been a good boy he became a bellringer and communicant, and was a faithful Scout.

His officer, in writing to his mother, says of him:

He was a splendid lad, and while you have lost a good and devoted son, I have also lost one of my best men. He was always willing, cheerful, and cool, and he was loved and respected by all with whom he came in contact. He received a military funeral and lies near the rest camp, where his chums can always see to his grave when out of action."

The news of Pte. Jones's death, which was received on June 25th, was the greater shock to the parents in as much as they had that morning received a letter from him saying he was quite well.

Hugh James Lewis

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 21 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1890 |
| Relation to Head: | Son |
| Gender: | Male |
| Birth Place: | Glasbury, Radnorshire, Wales |
| Civil Parish: | Tregoyd and Velindre |
| County/Island: | Breconshire |
| Country: | Wales |
| Street address: | Three Cocks Breconshire |
| Marital Status: | Single |
| Occupation: | Cow Man on Farm |

Military record

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| Death Date: | 11 Mar 1918 |
| Death Location: | Egypt |
| Enlistment Location: | Hay, Brecknock |
| Rank: | Corporal |
| Regiment: | Royal Welsh Fusiliers |
| Battalion: | 25th Battalion |
| Number: | 355154 |
| Type of Casualty: | Died of wounds |
| Theatre of War: | Egyptian Theatre |
| Comments: | Formerly 2077, Montgomeryshire Yeomanry. |
| Burial Place | Jerusalem, Yerushalayim (Jerusalem District), Israel |



Jerusalem, Yerushalayim

Charles Arthur Gilbert Money

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 28 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1883 |
| Relation to Head: | Visitor |
| Gender: | Male |
| Civil Parish: | Paddington |
| County/Island: | London |
| Country: | England |
| Street address: | 5 Orsett Terrace, Paddington W |
| Marital Status: | Married |
| Occupation: | CAPTAIN 130TH BALUCHIS INDIAN ARMY |

Indian Army Quarterly list 1912

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| FIRST COMM: | 18 Aug 00 |
| DATE RANK: | 18 Aug 09 |
| RANK: | Captain |
| COMPANY: | British Officers of the Indian Army |
| Death: | Dec. 13, 1916 |
| Inscription: | 130th King George's Own Baluchis (Jacob's Rifles) |
| Burial: | Dar es Salaam War Cemetery |
| | Tanzania |
| | Plot: 4. J. 8. |



Dar es Salaam War Cemetery

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser 28th Jan 1915

We are pleased to state that Capt. Money, son of Col. S G Money, has so far recovered from a wound in the head received in the trenches as to be able to return to Headquarters where he is eagerly awaiting orders to the front.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser 21st Sept 1915

PROMOTION FOR CAPTAIN MONEY.

We congratulate Captain Money, son of Colonel Money, on his promotion to the rank of Major. At the time the war broke out he was on the point of returning to India from holidays, but was stopped and sent to France, where he was twice severely wounded. On his recovery he was transferred to his own regiment in India, where he has received his promotion.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser 21st December 1916

Glasbury Officer Killed. We regret to announce that Major C. A. G. Money, Indian Army only son of Col. and Mrs. Money, of Treble Hill, Glasbury, was killed in action in East Africa on the 13th inst. Col. Money received the news from the India Office by wire on Monday evening. Major Money, who was 33 years of age, took part in the earlier stages of the war in France, and was there twice wounded, first in the head and later in the shoulder. On recovering from his second wound he went back to India to his old regiment, his wife accompanying him. Later he was sent to Africa to assist in the operations against the Germans there. An able but modest officer, he was a favourite with all who knew him wherever he went, and the deepest sympathy is felt for Col. and Mrs Money, particularly in the Glasbury district, in their irreparable loss. Col. Money is so well known by his Army record and his services to the Territorial Force Association, in the latter case more especially since the present war started, that it is quite unnecessary for us to say anything showing how much entitled he and Mrs. Money are to the sympathy which is being so generally extended to them.

Arthur John Russel Morgan

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 11 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1900 |
| Relation to Head: | Son |
| Gender: | Male |
| Birth Place: | Glasbury, Breconshire, Wales |
| Civil Parish: | Tregoyd and Velindre |
| County/Island: | Breconshire |
| Country: | Wales |
| Street address: | Post Office Glasbury Hereford |

Military record

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| Death Date: | 19 th April 1919 |
| Death Location: | Glasbury? |
| Enlistment Location: | |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | RWF |
| Battalion: | |
| Number: | |
| Type of Casualty: | Dates fit 36045/51616? (Medal Index cards) |
| Theatre of War: | France |
| Comments: | |



Badge of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser 17th October 1918

On Leave: Pte. J. R. Morgan, son of Mr and Mrs Morgan, Post Office, is home on leave for a short rest after influenza.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser 1st May 1919

GLASBURY WAR HERO'S DEATH. Impressive Funeral.

The funeral took place on Thursday last of Arthur John Russel Morgan, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Morgan, Post Office, Glasbury, grandson of Mr Pritchard, Paddock, Glasbury, and nephew of the late General Woodhouse, Southsea, who died on Saturday, April 19th, from rapid consumption brought on by exposure in France. It was only through the kindness of his officer, carrying his rifle and helping him along and cheering him with hopes of coming to Blighty, that he managed to reach home at all. On arriving he was put to bed, where he remained for some time, attended by Dr. Daniel. He was then taken to Brecon Infirmary for an operation, but was too weak to undergo it, and was brought home again ten days before his death, which took place at the early age of 19. He had been a choir boy, and was one of the first who joined the Scouts organised by Miss Butler in Glasbury. The Hon. R. C. Devereux kindly lent his car on two occasions to bring him and his brother Ivor (who is still lying ill from the effects of exposure in France) from hospital, and during his illness Miss Butler and Nurse Morgan were most devoted, being in attendance day and night. Deceased was a most lovable, unselfish boy, and the very large funeral and number of wreaths testify to the esteem in which he was held. The service in the church was fully choral. The hymn *On the Resurrection Morning* and Barnby's setting of the *Nunc Dimittis* were sung, and Mr Geoffrey Gibbon at the organ played as the cortege entered the church *Rest in the Lord*. The Vicar officiated throughout. The church was filled with friends, high and low, rich and poor joining to honour the brave lad who had given his life for his country.

After the Committal service a firing party from Brecon Barracks fired three volleys over the grave and the *Last Post* was played by a bugler. Deceased was carried to his last resting place by six chums, Messrs C. Whittall, J. Powell, R. Jones, W. Lewis, E. Tantram and R. Pierce, and his coffin, of polished oak with brass furniture, was draped with a Union Jack. The mourners were Mr and Mrs Morgan, father and mother Mr T Morgan, Miss Morgan, brother and sister Mrs Woodhouse, Miss Pritchard, Mr W. Pritchard, aunts and uncle Mr and Miss Willis, Miss F. Thomas. The following is a list of the wreaths: *From Mam and Dad to the darling boy; from Tom, Ivor and Doll to their darling brother; from grandfather and uncle Will to dear John; to darling John, from aunt Bessie and Mary; Mr and Mrs Charles Butcher, with deepest sympathy; Mr, Mrs and Miss Butler, with deep sympathy; Mr and Mrs A. F. Gwynne, in loving memory of dear Jack; Mr and Mrs Crosfield, Gwernyfed, with sincerest sympathy Col. and Mrs Feilden, with deep sympathy Col. and Mrs Money Mr and Mrs Bullard, Maeshendre, with sympathy Mrs R. T. Gwynne and family, in loving memory of dear Jack Mrs E. P. Vulliamy Mrs Jones and Brychan, in ever loving memory of dear John; Miss Reading, from an old school pal; Mr and Mrs S. A. James, with deep sympathy; Mrs W. James, Llowes, with kind remembrance; Mr and Mrs Havard, Tyruched with deep sympathy; Mr and Mrs Francis Jones, Tyruched, with sincere sympathy; from all at Oaklands, with much sympathy; Mrs Wallis, Hay, and Mrs Smith, Eardisley, with deep sympathy; in loving memory of dear Jack, from aunt Daw and Cis, Hereford; Mr and Mrs Whitney, with deep sympathy; in ever fond remembrance, from all at Llwynllyd; Mr and Mrs Jenkins and family, with deepest sympathy; Mr and Mrs Budd and family, Herne Bay, with heartfelt sympathy; Mr and Mrs Jeffs and family, in loving memory; With deep*

sympathy from the Wesleyan Church; in affectionate remembrance from an old pal, E. Tantram; from Will and Ward; 52nd Canadians, B.E.F. France; in loving memory, Mr Connell, Miss George and Mr Griffith, Post Office staff; Mrs Evan Powell and Mrs Annie Powell, Ffordfawr with much sympathy; Mrs Willis and family, Talgarth Post Office, sincere sympathy; Rees Lloyd, Merbach, Clifford, with deep sympathy from all at Castlefields, Clifford; with deep sympathy Mr and Mrs Linn; with deep sympathy and in loving remembrance Mr George Powell, Glasbury, in loving memory of dear Jack; from Freda, in loving memory of dear Jack Mr and Mrs Thomas and family, Dulas Court, Pontrilas, with deep sympathy from Noelle with love in loving memory of dear Jack, from Harry, London Mrs George and family, in loving memory Mr and Mrs Morgan and family, The Harp, with deep sympathy; Mr and Mrs Duggan and family, in loving memory Mr and Mrs F. Smith and boys, with sincere sympathy Mr and Mrs Maddox and boys, in loving memory Mr and Mrs R. Jones and family, Wye View, with deepest sympathy Mr Dicker, with deep sympathy in kindest remembrance, from all at Bridge Stores; from two school friends, with much sympathy; Mr Robt. Pierce, with deepest sympathy; Mr Williams and June, Chapel House, with much sympathy; in loving memory of a dear pal, from Alice to darling Jack; from all at the Villa in loving memory; from an old friend, Lena Williams; in loving memory from Mr and Mrs Morgan, Denlan.

Mr A. F. Gwynne, Glasbury was the undertaker

John Reginald Reveres Price

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His Majesty's Troop Ships/Hired Military Transport Ships)

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 10 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1901 |
| Birth Place: | Velindre, Breconshire, Wales |
| Civil Parish: | Tregoyd and Velindre |
| County/Island: | Breconshire |
| Country: | Wales |
| Street address: | Three Horse Shoes Inn Velindre Three - Cocks Breconshire |
| Marital Status: | Single |
| Occupation: | School |

Brecon County Times, Neath Gazette and General Advertiser 8th August 1918

VELINDRE, THREE COCKS- Death of Mr. Reginald-Price.

We regret to record the death under tragic circumstances, landing at Grimsby, of Mr. Reginald youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Price, Horse Shoes, Velindre. Mr. Reginald joined the Merchant Service a short time ago and had just returned from a voyage. On Bank Holiday his father received a wire to attend an inquest on Tuesday. No particulars were to hand at the time of writing, It is understood deceased was drowned bathing

Brecon County Times, Neath Gazette and General Advertiser 15th August 1918

VELINDRE, THREE COCKS. The Late Mr. Reggie Price.

Further particulars are now to hand with regard to the death of Mr. Reggie Price, son of Mr. George Price, Three Horse Shoes, from which it appears that he succumbed to natural causes and was not drowned whilst bathing, as was at first stated. He died on board the SS. *Glendene* an hour after arrival at Gravesend, on completion of a voyage from the West Indies. An Inquest was held and was attended by his father and brother and the jury returned a verdict of death from typhoid. The funeral took place at St. Peter's Church. Glasbury, on Friday. The Vicar (the Rev. H. H. Gibbon) officiated and the service was fully choral, the deceased being a communicant and chorister of the church. The father, mother, her brothers and four sisters attended, also, many friends. One brother was absent, being on active service in France. Deceased, who was only 17 years of age, was an old Brecon County School boy. Mr. and Mrs. Price wish to thank all kind friends for their letters of sympathy and floral tributes in their sad bereavement.

THE SPANISH INFLUENZA

The pandemic lasted from approximately July 1918 to April 1919 with a major peak in the UK between September 1918 and January 1919. It can be assumed that the vast majority of illness deaths in these periods were due to the Spanish flu.

Naval-History.net

Reginald Sidney Price

Military record

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| Birth Place: | Glazebury (sic), Brecon |
| Death Date: | 31 Oct 1917 |
| Death Location: | Egypt |
| Enlistment Location: | Hay, Brecknock |
| Rank: | A/L/Sergeant |
| Regiment: | Royal Welsh Fusiliers |
| Battalion: | 25th Battalion |
| Number: | 355162 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | Egyptian Theatre |
| Burial Place: | Beersheba, HaDaron (Southern District), Israel |
| Comments: | Formerly 2103, Montgomeryshire Yeomanry. |



Beersheba, HaDaron (Southern District), Israel

Brecon County Times, Neath Gazette and General Advertiser 13th December 1917

THE LATE SERGT. R. S. PRICE. Memorial Service at Velindre.

A very impressive memorial service was held at the C.M. Cburch, Veliudre, Three Cocks, on Saturday morning, the 2nd inst, for Sergt. Reginald Sidney Price, who fell in action in Palestine on October 31st. It was conducted by the Principal of Trevecca College (Rev Thomas Howat). There was a large congregation, which bore testimony to the great esteem in which the valiant soldier was held. The service opened with some verses and prayer. The

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Congregation sang with great fervour, *Jesu, lover of my soul*, to the tune *Aberyswyth*. Two scripture passages were then read—1 Cor. XV., 51- 58 and Ihi III, 1.17. *When life's long pilgrimage is past* was next sung, after which Prof. Howat led in prayer. *A few more years shall roll* was sung before the sermon. The Principal took as his text Psalm cxxvi. and in the course of his sermon said:—

As a world, as a nation, and as individuals, we are in the midst of sorrow and of anxious times; What shall become of it all? Is it sheer waste? Is it simply a scattering of our energies, a throwing away of our life for nothing He who saves his life, loses it; he who gives his life, gets it-makes it rich. He who puts nothing into the ground gets nothing out of the ground, but he who gives abundantly into the earth, reaps a rich harvest. We are put into the world to labour, not to rest, not to be at ease, not to seek indulgence or self-indulgence. They that sow in tears shall reap in joy, and it is that thought that should be with us today. So many of our young fellows of their own free-will gladly have given their lives to labour, to struggle, and, if need be, to die. The harvest is not always to be seen in this world. There is no harvest if we do not live a real, active, energetic life.

The preacher afterwards made reference to Reggie Price—how he had enjoyed the privilege of the hospitality of the home in which he was reared, how he had seen ‘*something of the nurture that went into the building up of character*’, He also spoke of the sympathy felt for the sorrowing father and mother, brothers and sisters, and relatives of the deceased. After the sermon, the hymn, *From heavenly Jerusalem's Towers*, was sung to the tune of *Crug-y-bar*. Miss Lewis, of Tregoyd, presided at the organ, and played the *Dead March in Saul* at the close. The numerous letters received by Mr and Mrs Walter Price and family all bear tribute to the love and esteem in which the fallen hero was held. Amongst them is one from the Captain of his Company, who says: “*This is the first opportunity I have had of writing to you about the death of your son, Sergeant R. S. Price, on 31st October. I sympathise so deeply with you and your wife. Your boy was such a splendid young man, trustworthy, manly, a first-class sergeant, and an irreparable loss to me and my company. He was killed instantaneously during our attack on the Beer Sheba defences on October 31st. A few weeks before he had received mention as the smartest soldier in the battalion. Nothing I say can repair your loss but he was boy to be proud of as long as you live. His conduct was always exemplary and the day he died he stood out by his courage and cheerfulness. It's simply impossible for me to tell you how well he did. I am so sorry for you. Nothing can bring him back, but his memory deserves every honour. I think he was very happy in his life out here. He has been buried with others of this battalion on the heights above Beer Sheba. Believe me you have my deepest gratitude for all your son did to help me and my most genuine sympathy.*

John Pugh

1911 Census

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| Age in 1901: | 19 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1882 |
| Father's Name: | Richard Pugh |
| Mother's name: | Elizabeth Pugh |
| Where born: | Glasbury, Radnorshire, Wales |
| Civil Parish: | Glasbury |
| Ecclesiastical parish: | Glasbury All Saints |

Military record

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| Residence: | Machen, Mon. |
| Death Date: | 30 Dec 1917 |
| Death Location: | At Sea (could not confirm ship: see below**) |
| Enlistment Location: | Caerphilly, Glam. |
| Rank: | SPR. |
| Regiment: | Corps of Royal Engineers |
| Number: | 323536 |
| Type of Casualty: | Died |
| Theatre of War: | At Sea |
| Comments: | Formerly 54946, Welch Regt. (96Th Lt. Rly. Op. Coy., R.) |

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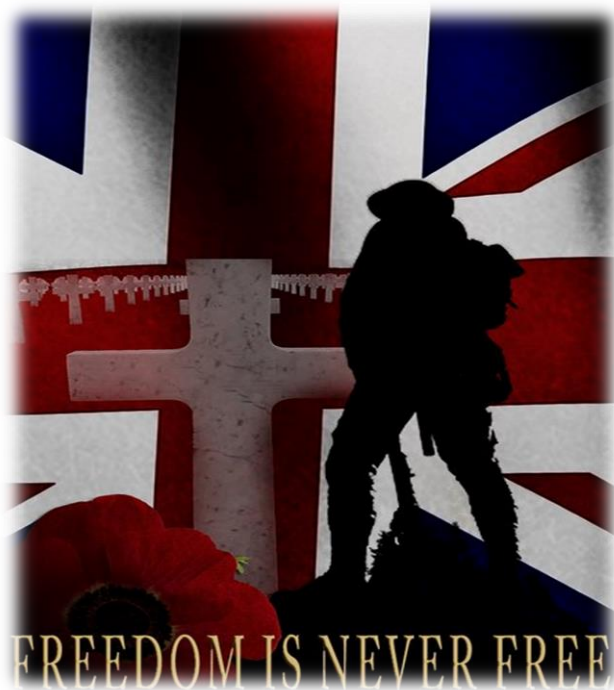
December 1917 MERCHANT SHIPPING

British, Allied and Neutral ships lost to enemy submarines, mines and cruisers etc in the month – 182 ships of 409,000 tons gross.

Total for 1917 – 3,267 ships of 6,350,000 tons gross (Lloyd's War Losses)

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David Percy Whittall

1911 Census

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| Birth Place: | Hay, Breconshire |
| Residence: | Gloastonbury-on-wye, Brecons (sic) Groveside |
| Death Date: | 5 Nov 1916 |
| Death Location: | France & Flanders |
| Enlistment Location: | Abergavenny |
| Rank: | Corporal |
| Regiment: | Welsh Regiment |
| Battalion: | 9th Battalion |
| Number: | 53720 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Burial | Thiepval Memorial |
| (picture- see George Machin) | Thiepval |
| | Departement de la Somme |
| | Picardie, France |
| | Plot: Pier and Face 7 A and 10 A. |

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Glasbury Corporal Action.



Corpl. David Percy Whittall

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser 30th November 1916

Glasbury Corporal Killed in Action

On Friday last information was received that Corpl. David Percy Whittall, second son of Mr and Mrs Whittall, Rose Cottage, had been killed in action on Nov. 5th. The sad news cast quite a gloom over the parish, for David Whittall, bred and born in Glasbury, had endeared himself to everyone with whom he came in contact. Born on the 19th December, 1894, he had not yet reached his 22nd birthday. As a boy in school, in the choir, in the belfry, and a communicant he had always led a clean, upright, straight forward life, and was beloved and respected by everyone. On leaving school he became postman on the Llowes round, and later took up engineering at Abergavenny. On the outbreak of war, like a true patriot, he was one of the first to join up in the Monmouths, and after some months in training went out to France where he was wounded. After being in hospital he was put on pioneer work. He was home for a few days' holiday last May, after which he was transferred to the Welsh and went into action again in France in due course. It speaks well for his life as a soldier that he was not long in France before he was made a lance-corporal and subsequently full corporal, and there is no doubt that he died a hero's death, doing his duty as he had always done from childhood. Touching allusion was made to the sacrifice of so promising a youth by the Vicar in his sermons on Sunday, both at morning and evening service. His death is deeply deplored by the whole parish and much sympathy is felt for the sorrowing parents, brothers and sisters. Mr and Mrs Whittall wish to express their deep gratitude to the numerous kind friends who have sent them letters of sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 2nd November 1916

Pte. F. Prosser (Ciltwrch) has just been home on leave.

The sad news that Corpl. David Whittall, of the 9th Welsh, was killed in action on the 5th inst in France, was received by his sorrowing parents, Mr and Mrs J. Whittall. Grove Side, from the War Office last Friday morning. He joined the colours on 2nd September, 1914, was called out last February twelvemonth, and was last home in May of this year, when he looked well. He would have been 22 years of age in the next month. "David," as he was familiarly called, was a boy of exceptionally good character, bright in intellect and honest and conscientious in all things. Deep sympathy is felt for the bereaved family. However, he did his duty for king and country, and thus occupies a noble place on the roll of honour.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 7th December 1916

AFTER evening prayer at St Peter's Church on Sunday evening last a short memorial service was held by the Vicar (Rev H H Gibbon) for Corporal David Whittall, killed in action on Sunday, November 5th. A special lesson, prayers and hymns were used, and touching allusion made to the hero's death. There was a crowded congregation of mourners and friends testify to the esteem in which Corporal Whittall was held in the neighbourhood. Muffled peals were rung for the service.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser 31st July 1919

**GLASBURY.
PUBLIC NOTICE.**

RELATIVES or friends of MEN
who have FALLEN in the GREAT WAR.
who were born in the parishes of TREGOYD. VELINDRE. PIPTON
and ABERLLYNFI. or joined up from
those parishes, are requested to send
their names to me that they may be enrolled on the memorials to be
erected to the fallen from those parishes.

JAMES GARDNER.

Hon. Sec. War Memorial Cojnmittee, The Manse, Glasbury. Breconshire.

Boughrood

The Church of St Cynog



Raymond Jones

1911 Census

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| Age in 1911: | 15 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1896 |
| Relation to Head: | Servant |
| Gender: | Male |
| Birth Place: | Boughrood, Radnor, Wales. |
| Parents | Ivor and Annie – Wernycwm, Boughrood |
| Civil Parish: | St David Without and Modrydd |
| County/Island: | Breconshire |
| Country: | Wales |
| Street address: | Modrydd Libanus Brecon |
| Marital Status: | Single |
| Occupation: | Working On Farm (Tom and Mary Brewin) |
| Registration district: | Brecknock |

Military record

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| Birth Place: | Boughrood, Radnor |
| Death Date: | 9 Apr 1917 |
| Death Place: | France and Flanders |
| Enlistment Place: | Talgarth |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | South Wales Borderers |
| Battalion: | 11th Battalion |
| Regimental Number: | 22401 |
| Type of Casualty: | Died |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Death Date: | 9 Apr 1917 |
| Burial Place: | Mendinghem Military Cemetery, Plot: II. B. 17. Poperinge, West Flanders (West-Vlaanderen), Belgium |



Mendinghem Military Cemetery

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Brecon & Radnor express Carmarthen and Swansea Valley gazette and
Brynmawr district advertiser:17th May 1917

LLYSWEN. Signaller Raymond Jones (Wernycwm) died in hospital, while on active service, on the 9th ult.

Lce. Cpl. Hubert O. Jones (elder brother of Signaller Raymond Jones, deceased), was wounded in France on the 22nd ult.

Horace, a younger brother, aged 18 year is serving with the Royal Field Artillery (France).

Hugh Phillip Evans

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| Age in 1911: | 30 |
| Estimated birth year: | abt 1881 |
| Relation to Head: | Head |
| Gender: | Male |
| Birth Place: | Derwenlus, Montgomery, Wales |
| Civil Parish: | Llandefalle |
| County/Island: | Breconshire |
| Country: | Wales |
| Street address: | Brynddu Cottage Llandefalle Nr Talgarth Breconshire |
| Marital Status: | Married |
| | Violet R S Evans 25 (wife) |
| | Philip L Evans 3 (son) |
| Registration district: | Brecknock |

Brecon & Radnor express Carmarthen and Swansea Valley gazette and
Brynmawr district advertiser: 23rd August 1917

BOUGHROOD. We regret to learn that Pte. H. P. Evans, local stationmaster here prior to the outbreak of the war, has fallen in France. He leaves a widow (Mrs Evans, headmistress of Llandefalle School, near Talgarth), and a little boy to mourn an irreparable loss. The late Pte. Evans was well known in the district, and, for many years, acted as hon. secretary of Boughrood Flower Show.

Llowes

The Church of St Meilig



Henry John Davies

Military Record

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| Birth Place: | Slowes, Radnorshire (sic) |
| Residence: | Slowes (sic) |
| Death Date: | 24 Aug 1916 |
| Death Place: | France and Flanders |
| Enlistment Place: | Glasbury |
| Rank: | Private |
| Regiment: | Household Cavalry and Cavalry of the Line attd. 10th Battalion, Cheshire Regiment |
| Battalion: | 3rd/1st Corps of Dragoons. Shropshire Yeomanry |
| Regimental Number: | 2924 |
| Type of Casualty: | Killed in action |
| Theatre of War: | Western European Theatre |
| Burial/cemetery | Blighty Valley Cemetery Authuille Departement de la Somme Picardie, France Plot: I. C. 25. |
| Other information | Son of Agnes Davies, of Llowes Mill, Llowes, Hereford, and the late William Davies. |



Blighty Valley Cemetery

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 14th September 1916

LLOWES. KILLED IN ACTION.

It is with great regret that we record the death of Pte Harry Davies, eldest son of Mrs Davies, Llowes Mill. Only five weeks ago he had been home on short leave, and he had only been back in the trenches two weeks before he was killed in action. Before going out young Davies had been postman in the Llowes district, where he was much respected. Deep sympathy is felt for Mrs Davies (herself a widow) and the family in their sad bereavement.

RUMMAGE SALE. By the kind permission and arrangement of Col. and Mrs Beavan a most successful rummage sale in aid of Llowes Church was held in the lovely grounds of Bryn-yr-Hydd on Tuesday, the 5th inst. This lovely residence lying at convenient distances from Llowes, Clyro, and All Saints and St Peter's, Glasbury, there were a great number of buyers, especially as tea was provided at a nominal charge. Farm and garden produce were kindly given by the farmers, and the clothing stalls were filled with useful and ornamental goods, which all found a ready sale. The magnificent sum of over £50 was realised. The vicar and parishioners of Llowes must feel very grateful to Col., Mrs, and Miss Beavan for being the means of so materially helping their parish church.

Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 28th September 1916

LLOWES A memorial service was held in Llowes church to the memory of Pte. Harry Davies, killed in action, eldest son of Mrs Davies, Llowes Mill. White flowers were put on the altar by Mrs and Miss Lowe, the School, where Pte Davies had received his education and had always proved an apt pupil. A touching sermon was preached by the Vicar (the Rev J J Thomas) from the words "*I am the resurrection and the life,*" suitable hymns were sung, and the *Last Post* was sounded. The church was filled to overflowing with mourners, sympathisers and friends of the deceased who had lived in Llowes all his life.

Brecon & Radnor express Carmarthen and Swansea Valley gazette and Brynmawr district advertiser: 11th January 1917

LLOWES. We regret to chronice the death which occurred somewhat suddenly on Saturday, of Miss Lowe (The School). Deceased was only about 26 years of age, and the loss will be greatly felt in the district. Miss Lowe was a teacher at the school and had endeared herself to the children, by whom she will be sadly missed.

Albert Appleyard

1911 Census

Age in 1911: 20
 Estimated birth year: abt 1891
 Relation to Head: Boarder (with John Pugh, Mary Ann Pugh)
 Gender: Male
 Birth Place: Hawick, Northmbland (sic)
 Civil Parish: Llowes
 County/Island: Breconshire
 Country: Wales
 Street address: Llowes Hereford
 Marital Status: Single
 Occupation: Gamekeeper

Military Record

Birth Place: Alnwick, Northumberland
 Residence: Foston, Derbyshire
 Death Date: 29 Oct 1918
 Death Place: India
 Enlistment Place: Brecon
 Rank: Private
 Regiment: South Wales Borderers
 Battalion: Brecknock Battalion
 Regimental Number: 200511
 Type of Casualty: Died
 Theatre of War: Asiatic Theatres
 Burial: Kirkee 1914-1918 Memorial
 Mumbai (Bombay)
 Maharashtra, India
 Plot: Face 5.



[Kirkee 1914-1918 Memorial](#)

No local paper coverage found for Albert Appleyard

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Brecon county times, Neath gazette and general advertiser: 3rd May 1917

THE TRACK OF THE HUN

Breconshire Man's Vivid Description. Battery Quarter-Master Sergt. A Pinchin, who is serving with the heavy guns in France, writing to a friend in Breconshire, gives some interesting particulars of the wanton devastation wrought by the Germans, as well as of the marvellously destructive effects of up-to date artillery fire. He says: *Imagine nice green fields and fertile valleys, in a good many places slightly wooded. Then just dot in here and there a few villages and you have what the place was like a few weeks ago. Then the Hun strongly fortified the villages and we thought we had better drive them out. We proceeded to send them over a few souvenirs in the shape of shells daily. Hundreds of other batteries did the same, and none of us ever dreamt of the amount of damage we were doing.*

But the other day I had occasion to travel over part of the ground re-taken from the enemy, and what a sight it was! I had to go from one village to another one and pass two on the way. I saw the one that I started from, it had been in our hands a long time I completed my journey in daylight and absolutely failed to see the village of my destination or the other two en route. Taking it for granted that they had been knocked down, you would expect to see the bricks and debris, but there was nothing. Simply wiped clear of the map! Of course our advance parties may have found a few bricks in places, but if they did they were used at once to make roads for us to follow. You can go for miles and miles and not see a blade of grass or a single sound tree. If you leave the road and walk across the place where fields used to be, you must be very careful. The ground is like a huge pepper-box cover the shell holes are so close together, there is scarcely a yard that has not been torn up.

The German retirement is no marvel to me. I only wonder how they were able to remain in such a wilderness so long. I walked one dark night about 11 p.m. through what our boys call the Valley of Death. Every now and then the moon would come out and give me a glimpse of the sights around me. It was horrible!

If there are people still at home who do not fully realise that there is a war on, it would do them good to come out here and just look at this view. I have stood on the top of a little hill and looked round on a scene which would break anyone's heart. So let us change the scene for a moment and pass on to the land which was out of reach of our guns, ground that the enemy had to give up without fighting. I went along a road that had at one time been a glorious avenue. It was some miles in length and the trees tall fine ones and only a few yards apart. On both sides at the road all of them had been cut down about two feet from the ground-sheer wanton destruction And all the fruit trees and cottages served the same. The village near there had not been shelled by us, but no house had a roof and very few any doors or windows. They had been wilfully destroyed by the Hun when he had to leave them. Even a lovely old church was utterly demolished. It is not an uncommon sight to see a Grave with a cross and these words on its side: "an unknown German soldier", evidently put there by some of our boys.

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