William Blackburn EASTON



Born: 4th June 1890 in Neatishead, Norfolk

Parents: Father: Frederick (1860-1943)

Mother: Mary Ann Greenwood (1861-) married 1884

Siblings: Annie Matilda (1885-1980)

George Frederick (born 1887 in Aylsham)

Maude Mary (1888-1979)

His twin Charles Edward (1890-1978) served in WW1

Beryl Minnie (1892-1988)

Gertrude Eliza (born 1895 in Neatishead)

Herbert (born 1896 in Neatishead) served in WW1

Helen (born 1897 in Neatishead)

Alfred (1899-1920) killed in action

Marriage: No record found

1901 census: Aged 10, living in The Street, Neatishead

Father's occupation listed as Harness Maker

1911 census: Aged 20 and single, still living at above.

Occupation Bricklayers Labourer on Private Estate

Death: 24th September 1916, aged 26,

Burial: St Sever Cemetery, Rouen, France.

Memorial plaque in St Peter's church, Neatishead

Military & War service: 43185 Private, 1st Battalion

2/6th (Cyclists) Norfolk Regiment

Enlisted 11th October 1914

Died in hospital in Rouen, France of wounds received whilst stretcher bearing for the 1st Norfolk Regiment

Medals: Victory, British



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NOVEMBER, 1916.

Since our last issue, news has been received of the loss of two more of our soldier heroes, viz., William Easton and George Hunt. The former died in hospital at Rouen on September 24th, and the latter was killed on September 21st. Two beautiful wreaths of laurel intermingled with carnations, were sent to the Church by Captain F. Neave and the parishioners respectively.