

Private

FREDERICK BUTTLE

6098 1st Battalion Somerset Light Infantry

Killed 13 November 1914

Aged 31

Commemorated on the Ploegsteert Memorial

Panel 3

The Butties were originally a Churchstanton family, from at least the early 18th century - there's a Butties Farm and Lane in Churchstanton. In 1851 Fred's grandfather, William, was serving as a Gunner in The Royal Marines Artillery. By 1861 he was back in the West Country, living at Howstead, working as an agricultural labourer, and married to Mary Ann, with one year old son Samuel.

From that point, neither William nor Samuel moved very far from home. By 1881 Samuel had married Edith Collins of Buckland St Mary, and was living with his parents and baby Annie at Waterhayes Cottage, Otterford. They had 9 children, the youngest, Katie, dying of diphtheria (caught at Brown Down School, it was suspected) in 1907.

Samuel worked as a Carter and general farm labourer. But in 1914 the family moved right out of their area to Thornfalcon. Why? Probably in pursuit of work; Fred never lived there, but his younger brother William worked in Thornfalcon.

Edith Buttle was obviously the power behind this family. When Fred was killed in 1914, it was she whom the local reporter interviewed, and again when William died in 1917. It was to her that William left his belongings in his Will, and she who signed for their returned possessions. In a photograph of her in middle age she looks formidable; 'well known local midwife' the caption tells us; 'no arguments allowed', her expression suggests. An unofficial midwife, we deduce, but skilled in all nursing tasks; her great granddaughter, Jean Carey, says that she was urged to train properly, but did not (Samuel was against it).

Fred, the oldest son, was born on 15 September 1882, and christened at Buckland St Mary on 3 December. He started school at Brown Down in March 1890, leaving in March 1894. In summarising his life up to 1914, a graphic account is given in Edith Buttle's December 1914 interview for *The Taunton Courier*, which gives a sense of what both she and Fred must have been like - and a flavour of the Edwardian style of the news reporter:

"The deceased and his parents, and the family generally, are well known 'on the hill'. The late Lance Corporal Buttle was but thirty years of age; albeit he was a typically stalwart West Countryman, and turned the scale at over 14 stone...He came home [in August 1914] on a visit to his parents for 10 days from his employment as an attendant at Fishponds Asylum, Bristol. The day after he returned from his holidays he was called up as a Reservist. He was 15 years and 2 months old when he joined the 3rd Battalion Militia in 1899. [He] saw active service in South Africa for which campaign he received 2 medals. He also served in Malta for some years. In 1912 he was employed at Wiveliscombe, where he stayed for about 2 years, and made many friends. In one letter that he sent home from France he

stated that his Regiment was having a very warm time indeed. Much sympathy is felt with the parents in their loss, and with the deceased's fiancée in the great shock she has sustained."



Private or Lance-Corporal? There's a photo of him in the Somerset County Gazette, probably in his earlier South African uniform, with his stripe displayed. Maybe this rank was lost when he went onto the Reserve list; from 1914 he was recorded as 'Private' – except in his mother's account. Another, more mature shot of him is reproduced here from *The Courier*. We also have a charming pre-War picture of him in civilian clothes. These photographs, and those that survive of his brother William, make their loss seem, even 100 years later, horribly real.

The 1st Battalion, Somerset Light Infantry, were in France by 23rd August, part of one of the earlier waves of the British Expeditionary Force. Fred's Medal Roll Card lists him as in France by 30 August; the SLI records give him as embarking on the 29th. The Battalion War Diary records that on that day 'Lieutenant Montgomery and a further party of N.C.O.s and men rejoined the Battalion': this must have been Fred's draft. Or, possibly, it's the draft who joined on 5th September: 'First reinforcements arrived, 90 men under 2nd Lieutenant Read.'

War was declared on 4th August. The Germans had marched into France via Belgium, sweeping round to come south and head for Paris. The Belgian Army were no match for them, and the French too had difficulty resisting. Ironically, they were fighting over the same Napoleonic battlegrounds of 100 years earlier. After holding the Germans at Mons, the BEF (whose numbers were tiny) found themselves retreating southwards in a series of desperate forced marches, turning to fight when they could, to keep up with the French and protect their flank. It must have been a major shock to the SLI to be thrown into this and forced straight into retreat.

This was the situation Fred found himself in on 30 August: still retreating by forced marches in desperately hot weather, staff and supply work very off the cuff. For example, on 5th September the War Diary records: 'On the way a 2 hour breakfast halt was taken at La Ferriere and an excellent breakfast was provided for the officers by Baron Rothschild. Supplies issued tonight. Bread, chocolates, cigarettes and matches were purchased locally for the men.'

By 5th September Arthur Cook of the 1st Battalion records: 'THE RETREAT IS ENDED, but not our marching, for now we must turn round and chase Jerry for a change.' They re-crossed the Marne, but by the 11th 'the Germans seem to have got clean away and our visions of getting round them have vanished'. By this time the debilitatingly hot weather had gone, and wet weather had set in. The Somersets had a series of forced marches, on short supplies & in wretched weather, back to the Aisne. Trenches were dug in the Bucy le Long area: a foretaste of things to come for the next 4 years.

By a series of train journeys and marches and skirmishes the Battalion moved into Flanders, ending at Ploegsteert, which is essentially where they remained for the rest of the year. For them, the war was static at this point: attacks and shelling backwards and forwards, with the loss of many troops, but no real movement. The weather was terrible, and they were in marshy country. On 11th November, 2 days before Fred's death, Arthur Cook writes: 'Trenches are wet and full of water, nowhere to sit down, or lie down, only to stand up with water over your boots in inky blackness. Occasionally a shell smothers you with mud and earth. What an existence for human beings.' ['A Soldier's War' 1957]

Fred's death is recorded as 13th November, but the War Diary records no-one as killed that day. I wonder if in fact he may have been killed 3 days earlier, on the 10th: 'B Company lost heavily in right trench today, losing 4 killed and 6 wounded including Serjeant Willcox who was Mentioned in



Dispatches. It was not however thought advisable to relieve them tonight as a German attack was expected.' I think it was not possible to retrieve these bodies, for Serjeant Willcox too has no known grave, but is recorded on the Ploegsteert Memorial.

Fred's death is recorded in The Army Register of Soldiers' Effects, where it's noted that he left a Will in favour of his father; we have not been able to find this. The amount was £8.4.3, plus War Gratuity of £5.

Medals such as these would have been awarded to Fred Buttle, plus Clasp for service under fire on the 1914 Star.

As a postscript to Fred's death, here is the 1st Battalion Diarist's record of 25 December 1914: 'There was much singing in the trenches last night by both sides. Germans opposite us brought up their Regimental Band and played theirs and our National Anthems followed by 'Home Sweet Home'. A truce was mutually arranged by the men in the trenches. During the morning officers met German officers half way between the trenches and it was arranged we should bring in our dead who were lying between the trenches [but not Fred Buttle or Serjeant Willcox] A very peaceful day.' [DD\SLI/2/3]

Date	Page	Rank	Regt. No.
1/11/14 Pte. 6098			
BUTTLE			
Frederick			
Rank	Regt.	Page	Comments
Private	14	13	Killed in action 13.11.14
The date of War first arrived at			
Date of entry (this side)			
30.8.14			

Fred's Medal Roll Index Card

SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY		
CORPORAL	REYNOLDS C.	SMITH J.
SERGEANT	CHAMPION H. J.	SMITH J. H.
COVE J.	COVE J.	SMITH J. H.
MANDERS G.	MANDERS G.	SMITH J. H.
SPERS E. C.	SPERS E. C.	SMITH J. H.
WILLCOX T. H. D. C. M.	WILLCOX T. H. D. C. M.	SMITH J. H.
LIEUTENANT	OSMAN A. W.	OSMAN A. W.
CORPORAL	CHENNOCK R. W. V.	CHENNOCK R. W. V.
DALEY T. G.	DALEY T. G.	DALEY T. G.
MACDONALD J.	MACDONALD J.	MACDONALD J.
PEPIN W. T.	PEPIN W. T.	PEPIN W. T.
STODOLY J.	STODOLY J.	STODOLY J.
TAYLOR T.	TAYLOR T.	TAYLOR T.
VOGLER R. J.	VOGLER R. J.	VOGLER R. J.
LIEUTENANT	ABBOTT J. F.	ABBOTT J. F.
ADCOCK W.	ADCOCK W.	ADCOCK W.
EVANS W.	EVANS W.	EVANS W.
HARDWICK T. W.	HARDWICK T. W.	HARDWICK T. W.
JENKINS A. J.	JENKINS A. J.	JENKINS A. J.
METHAN C. H.	METHAN C. H.	METHAN C. H.
OSMOND H. J. S.	OSMOND H. J. S.	OSMOND H. J. S.
PAUL E.	PAUL E.	PAUL E.
PRIVATE	ALFORD S. J.	ALFORD S. J.
HANNEY F.	HANNEY F.	HANNEY F.
WADSON R.	WADSON R.	WADSON R.

Panel 3, Ploegsteert Memorial

Our thanks to members of the Buttle family – especially Jean Carey, Angela Dicks and Trevor Whitlock – for their photographs and memories, and to SWHT for documents held by them.



Ploegsteert, Winter 1914 [DD\SLI/15/7/17...]

Fred Buttle before the War

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

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The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the										[Page 7]	
* Civil Parish (or Township) of	City or Municipal Borough of	Municipal Ward of	Parliamentary Borough of	Ward of	Village or Hamlet, &c., of	Local Board, or (Improvement Commissioners) District of	Electoral District of				
<i>Chesham</i>					<i>Wotton</i>						
No. of Schedule	ROAD, STREET, &c., and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES (Total of all in the Schedule)	NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Family	CON- DITION	AGE of	Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN	Whether 1. Deaf-and-Dumb 2. Blind 3. Imbecile or Idiot 4. Lame		
						Males	Females				
33	<i>Horsfield</i>	1	<i>John Barton</i>	Head	Mar.	58	<i>Farmer (retired)</i>	<i>Donne Church, Bedfordshire</i>			
			<i>Mary do</i>	Wife	Mar.	57		<i>do. Bedfordshire</i>			
			<i>William do</i>	Son		8	<i>Student</i>	<i>Donne Church, Bedfordshire</i>			
			<i>Jessy do</i>	Daughter		4		<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>Mary do</i>	Daughter		1		<i>do. do</i>			
34	<i>do</i>	1	<i>William Butler</i>	Head	Mar.	55	<i>Ag Lab.</i>	<i>Donne Church, Bedfordshire</i>			
			<i>Mary do</i>	Wife	Mar.	40		<i>Donne Church, Bedfordshire</i>			
			<i>Edward do</i>	Son		6		<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>Ann do</i>	Daughter		4		<i>do. Bedfordshire</i>			
35	<i>do</i>	1	<i>Robert Braxton</i>	Head	Mar.	57	<i>Ag Lab.</i>	<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>Mary do</i>	Wife	Mar.	55	<i>Landraper</i>	<i>do. Chesham</i>			
			<i>Emma do</i>	Daughter	Mar.	17	<i>Housewife</i>	<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>Elizabeth do</i>	Daughter		14	<i>Housewife</i>	<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>William do</i>	Son		11	<i>Boys of</i>	<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>John do</i>	Son		7	<i>Student</i>	<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>Charlotte do</i>	Daughter		3		<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>James do</i>	Son		1		<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>Henry do</i>	Grandson		3		<i>do. do</i>			
36	<i>Broundown</i>	1	<i>William Caff</i>	Head	Mar.	26	<i>Ag. Lab.</i>	<i>Donne Church, Bedfordshire</i>			
			<i>Mary do</i>	Wife	Mar.	24		<i>Donne Church, Bedfordshire</i>			
			<i>Thomas do</i>	Son		4		<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>Jessy do</i>	Daughter		2		<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>William do</i>	Son		1		<i>do. do</i>			
			<i>Elizabeth Riches</i>	Religion	W.	62		<i>Donne Church, Bedfordshire</i>			
Total of Houses.		4	Total of Males and Females.			12	12				

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1871 CENSUS FATHER SAMUEL BUTTLE

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The undermentioned Houses are situate within the Boundaries of the

Civil Parish (or Township) of	City or Municipal Borough of	Municipal Ward of	Parliamentary Borough of	Town or Village or Hamlet of	Urban Sanitary District of	Rural Sanitary District of	Ecclesiastical Parish or District of		
Morpeth						Stamford			
No. of Schedule	ROAD, STREET, &c., and No. or NAME of HOUSE	HOUSES Inhabited (U.) or Vacant (V.)	NAME and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	CON-DITION as to Marriage	AGE last Birthday of	Rank, Profession, or OCCUPATION	WHERE BORN	If (1) Deaf-and-Dumb (2) Blind (3) Imbecile or Idiot (4) Lunatic
						Males	Females		
32	Fairhead	1	James Aldin	Head	Mar	65		Farmer (Wagon) / Mans Boy	Stamsted, Gas, Essex
			Betty do	Wife	do	56		Wife	do, Northampton
			Edw. G. do	Son	Rem	24		do	do do do
			Edmund do	do	do	14		do	do do do
			Sarah Winder	Serv	do	45		General serv	do do do
33	Miterhage	1	William Buttle	Head	Mar	60		Ag Lab	Donner Churchstenton
			Mary do	Wife	do	50		Laundry	Donner Churchstenton
			Samuel do	Son	do	24		Ag Lab	do do
			Edith do	Serv in law	do	23		Wife	do, Bradford
			John do	Son	Mar	16		Ag Lab	do, Bradford
			Emma do	Serv	do	9		Washer	do do
			James do	Son	do	6		do	do do
34	do Dairyhouse	1	John Smith	Head	Mar	44		Dairyman (WAS)	Donner
			Mary do	Wife	do	42		Wife	Stamsted
			Correllia do	Serv	Mar	16		Wife	do
			Lucy do	do	do	13		do	do
			Emily do	do	do	6		Schooler	do
			Frank do	Son	do	9		do	do
			Walter do	do	do	14		do	do
			Thomas do	Serv	do	2		do	do
35	Fairhead Cottage	1	Charles Buttle	Head	Mar	32		Gardener	Donner
			Anna M. do	Wife	do	29		Wife	Stamsted
			John do	Serv	do	1		do	do
36	do		Charles do	Serv	Mar	18		Ag Lab	Donner Churchstenton
5	Total of Houses...	4	Total of Males and Females...			11	13		

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1881 CENSUS FATHER SAMUEL BUTTLE

Administrative County Lincoln The undermentioned Houses are situate within the boundaries of the Parliamentary Borough of Lincoln Page 11

Civil Parish St. Andrew's Ecclesiastical Parish St. Andrew's County Borough, Municipal Corporation, or Urban District Lincoln Ward of Municipal Borough or of Urban District St. Andrew's Rural District Lincoln Parliamentary Borough or Division Lincoln Town or Village or Hamlet St. Andrew's

House No.	ROAD, STREET, &c. and No. or NAME of HOUSE	ROUSES	Name and Surname of each Person	RELATION to Head of Family	Age last Birthday	PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION	Employer, Worker, or Own account	If Working at Home	WHERE BORN	1. Deaf and Dumb 2. Blind 3. Lame 4. Inebriate, feeble-minded
64	High Street Farm	1	Abraham Sparks	Head	36	Farmer	Own account		Lincoln	
			Abraham Sparks	Wife	23				Lincoln	
			Elizabeth Sparks	Daughter	78				Lincoln	
65	St. Andrew's Mills	1	Frank Marshall	Head	26	Farmer	Own account		Lincoln	
			Elizabeth Marshall	Wife	26				Lincoln	
			Elizabeth Marshall	Daughter	10				Lincoln	
66	St. Andrew's Cottage	1	John Marshall	Head	32	Farmer	Own account		Lincoln	
			John Marshall	Wife	32				Lincoln	
67	St. Andrew's Farm	1	John Marshall	Head	32	Farmer	Own account		Lincoln	
			John Marshall	Wife	32				Lincoln	
			John Marshall	Daughter	3				Lincoln	
68	St. Andrew's Farm	1	John Marshall	Head	32	Farmer	Own account		Lincoln	
			John Marshall	Wife	32				Lincoln	
			John Marshall	Daughter	3				Lincoln	
69	St. Andrew's Cottage	1	John Marshall	Head	32	Farmer	Own account		Lincoln	
			John Marshall	Wife	32				Lincoln	
			John Marshall	Daughter	3				Lincoln	

Total of Schedule of Houses and of Persons with less than Five Rooms: 6

Total of Males and of Females: 15

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NAME AND SURNAME	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family	AGE	SEX	PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE	PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION	BIRTHPLACE	NATIONALITY	INFLUENT
Samuel Buttle	Head	51	Male	Married	Houseman on Farm	Lincoln	English	
Edith Buttle	Wife	53	Female	Married		Lincoln	English	
John Buttle	Son	25	Male	Single	General Farm Labourer	Lincoln	English	
Samuel Buttle	Son	16	Male	Single	Farmer	Lincoln	English	

(To be filled up by the Enumerator)

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: Samuel Buttle Date: 1911

Post Office: Lincoln

1911 CENSUS THE BUTTLE FAMILY

Fred Buttle Somerset County Gazette
12.12.1914



Lieut. Col. FRED BUTTLE
(Somerset Light Infantry),
Late of Buckland St. Mary.

The news reached the village of Thorncliffe on Sunday of the death of 1st-Lieut. Fred Buttle, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Buttle, late of Wetherby, Buckland St. Mary. The deceased was in the Scots Fusiliers, being called up with the Reserve, and was killed in action on the 15th of November. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents.



Mrs. Edith Buttle (1858-1931), wife of Mr. Sam Buttle of Fox's Castle, Birchwood. She was a well-known local midwife. From a photograph in the possession of Mrs. I. Dicks.



FRED BUTTLE BEFORE THE WAR

Name.	Corps.	Rank	Regtl. No.
BUTTLE.	<i>1/50m d. l.</i>	<i>Pte.</i>	<i>6098</i>
<i>Frederick</i>			

Medal.	Roll.	Page.	Remarks.
VICTORY	<i>x C/2/102 ^B 3</i>	<i>338</i>	<i>K. in A. 13.11.14</i>
BRITISH	<i>do</i>	<i>do</i>	
<i>14</i> STAR	<i>C/2/4</i>	<i>6</i>	
<i>Clasp 2/2640.</i>			
Theatre of War first served in			
Date of entry therein		<i>30.8.14</i>	

K. 1380.

Correspondence.

Address.

FLORSTERT MEMORIAL.

STONE No. 3.5.
S.A.

SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY

COY. QMR. SERJNT	PRIVATE	PRIVATE
Ricketts C.	Biggins T.H.	Kentish R.
	Bishop H.W.	Lovell D.
SERJEANT	Breakspeare E.	Levett C.H.
Champion H.J.	Burgess J.	Lugs H.
Cove J.	Buttle F.	Mainwaring T.S.
Sanders G.	Callahan W.D.	Marsh F.S.
Spiers F.C.	Carr J.T.	Mesde R.J.
Taylor H.C.	Chivers A.B.	Morgan J.G.
Willeox T.H., D.C.M.	Chun C.	Muton C.H.J.
LCE SERJEANT	Clark A.	Pitt F.W.
	Collins W.J.	Porch A.
Osman A.W.	Cossins S.J.	Powney A.G.E.
	Cox F.J.	Price F.G.
CORPORAL	Crofts F.	Priddle G.W.
Chimcock R.W.V.	Cullum J.	Prior W.
Farley F.G.	Curtis W.	Pritchard C.
Macdonald J.	Daley J.C.	Regan J.
Peppin W.T.	Dawson H.C.	Roberts J.
Stoodley J.	De Young L.	Shaw B.
Taylor F.	Diment T.	Smith E.
Vogler R.J.	Dowden W.	Sparks W.
LCE CORPORAL	Dowell W.	Stacey W.
	Eason S.F.	Staddon F.G.
Abbott J.F.	Exell H.C.	Staton T.G.
Adcock W.	Fisher P.	Stillman H.
Evans W.	Fishlock H.J.	Summers H.J.
Hardwick T.W.	Frude E.J.	Summerwill R.T.
Jenkins A.J.	Furness E.G.	Sumner W.J.
Methan G.H.	Gay E.	Tanner F.W.
Osmond H.J.S.	Goodland W.J.	Tatler F.
Paul E.	Grant C.	Taylor T.
PRIVATE	Greenman A.W.	Taylor W.
	Greenslade T.E.	Turner P.
Alford S.J.	Gunter J.	Vickerman W.H.

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SPECIAL LAY OUT.

19th name, 2nd column.

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March 92
Gunter*

BURTONSHAW, Pte. Nahor, 16981. 6th Bn. South Wales Borderers. 9th April, 1918.

BURY, Serjt. James, 265485, D.C.M., M.M. 1st/6th Bn. Duke of Wellington's Regt. Mentioned in Despatches. 13th April, 1918. Age 32. Son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bury, of 8, Victoria Rd., Barnoldswick, Yorks.

BUSBY, Serjt. James, L/15463. 2nd Bn. Royal Fusiliers. 13th April, 1918.

BUSBY, Serjt. John Henry, 8456. 2nd Bn. Royal Berkshire Regt. 9th May, 1915. Age 28. Son of the late Mrs. H. Busby.

BUSBY, Pte. Oliver Edgar, 9465. 1st Bn. East Lancashire Regt. 9th Nov., 1914.

BUSH, Lce. Cpl. Bernard William, 16871. 10th Bn. Worcestershire Regt. 15th Sept., 1916.

BUSH, Pte. John, 18/1221. 15th/17th Bn. West Yorkshire Regt. 12th April, 1918.

BUSHELL, Serjt. Albert, 240441, M.M. 1st/5th Bn. Northumberland Fusiliers. 12th April, 1918.

BUSHILL, Pte. Alfred, F/1667. 21st Bn. Middlesex Regt. 9th April, 1918. Age 18. Son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bushill, of 23, Melbourne Rd., East Ham, London.

BUTCHER, Lce. Cpl. Ernest Clifford, G/42316. 21st Bn. Middlesex Regt. 9th April, 1918. Age 21. Son of Henry and Elizabeth Butcher, of 1, Arlington Cottages, Arlington Gardens, Chiswick, London.

BUTCHER, Pte. Ernest Edward, 8367. 1st Bn. The Cameronians (Sco. Rif.). 29th Oct., 1914. Age 31. Son of the late Mrs. Susannah Butcher; husband of Sarah Elizabeth Butcher, of 30, Ruby St., Old Kent Rd., London.

BUTCHER, Pte. Leonard William, 250664. 1st/6th Bn. Durham Light Inf. 11th April, 1918. Age 33. Husband of Ellen Mary Butcher, of 165, Monaga Rd., Forest Gate, London.

BUTCHERT, Lce. Cpl. James, S/18471. 5th Bn. Cameron Highlanders. 19th July, 1918.

BUTLER, Lce. Cpl. Bernard Griffin, 4493. 1st Bn. Sherwood Foresters. 9th May, 1915. Age 25. Son of William Butler, of 60, Dennison St., Old Radford, Nottingham; husband of Bertha Eley (formerly Butler), of 19, Elm Grove, Blue Bell Hill Rd., Nottingham.

BUTLER, Lce. Serjt. Charles Albert, 307201. 2nd/7th Bn. Royal Warwickshire Regt. 14th April, 1918. Age 21. Son of George E. W. and Eliza Butler, of Manor Lodge, Yateley, Hants. INDEX No. M.R.32 PLOEGSTEERT MEMORIAL PART TWO

BUTLER, Pte. Frederick, 18675. 1st Bn. King's Own Scottish Borderers. 11th April, 1918. Age 24. Son of the late Charles and Alice Butler.

BUTLER, Pte. George, 242704. 2nd/4th Bn. Loyal North Lancs Regt. 31st Aug., 1917. Age 19. Son of William George and Charlotte Butler, of 45, Lyon St., Bolton.

BUTLER, Pte. Joseph William, 42263. 2nd Bn. Hampshire Regt. 4th Sept., 1918. Age 19. Son of Joseph and Mary Ann Butler, of 57, Rahere St., Goswell Rd., London.

BUTLER, Pte. Samuel Noah, 13580. 1st Bn. Worcestershire Regt. 14th May, 1915. Age 23. Son of Mrs. A. E. Swingewood (formerly Butler).

BUTLER, Pte. Walter, 8208. 2nd Bn. Scots Guards. 28th Dec., 1914. Age 19. Son of Walter and Rose Butler, of 49, Darien Rd., Battersea, London.

BUTT, Pte. George William, 10340. 2nd Bn. York and Lancaster Regt. 29th Dec., 1914. Age 24. Son of Mrs. E. A. Porritt (formerly Butt), of 141, Cottingham St., Attercliffe, Sheffield.

BUTT, Pte. Kenneth, 19748. 1st Bn. Sherwood Foresters. 9th May, 1915.

BUTTERWORTH, Pte. Albert, 1329. 1st Bn. King's Own Royal Lancaster Regt. 13th Oct., 1914. Age 26. Son of William and Eliza Butterworth, of 25, Egerton St., Winton, Patricroft, Manchester.

BUTTERWORTH, Pte. Ernest, 40071. 1st Bn. Northumberland Fusiliers. 13th April, 1918.

BUTTERWORTH, Pte. John, 25280. 8th Bn. Border Regt. 12th April, 1918.

BUTTERWORTH, Pte. William, 8175. 2nd Bn. York and Lancaster Regt. 18th Oct., 1914. Age 36. Son of James and Agnes Butterworth, of Green St., Bulk, Lancaster; husband of Margaret Alice Butterworth, of 15, Albion St., Lancaster.

BUTTLE, Pte. Frederick, 6098. 1st Bn. Somerset Light Inf. 13th Nov., 1914.

BUTTON, Pte. Charles Henry, 61609. 15th/17th Bn. West Yorkshire Regt. 12th April, 1918. Age 18. Son of Albert Button, of 118, Brentwood Rd., Romford, Essex, and the late Kate Button.